

NAKIVO Backup & Replication v10.11

User Guide for VMware

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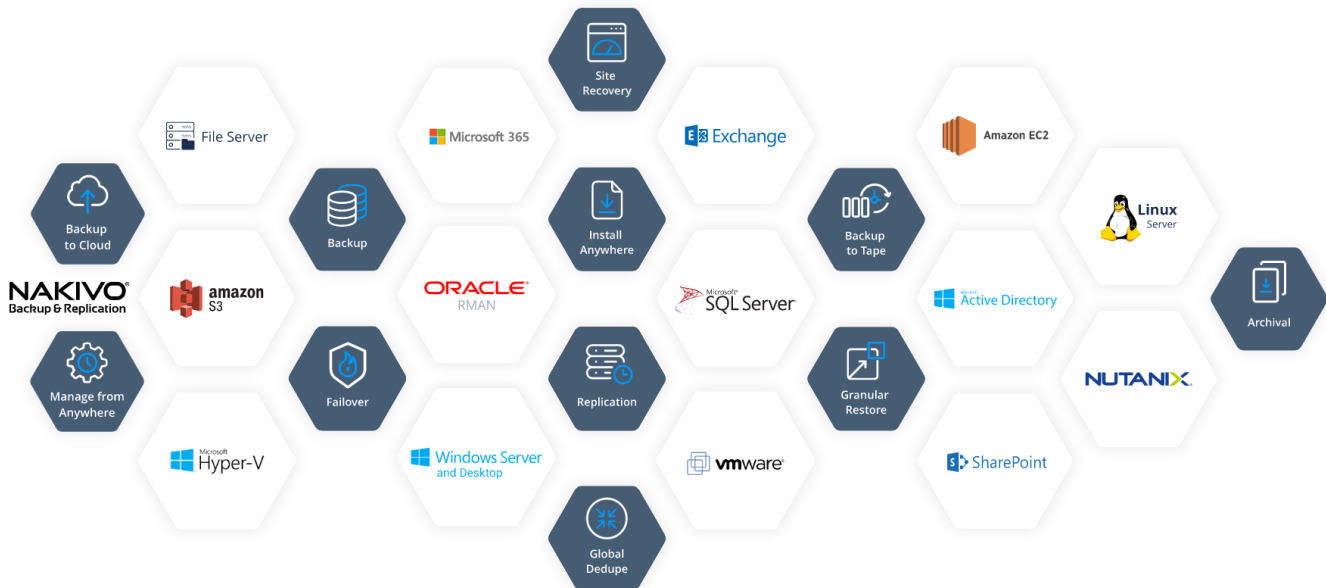
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NAKIVO Backup & Replication Overview

NAKIVO Backup & Replication offers backup, replication, failover, backup to cloud, backup to tape, backup copy, backup data reduction, instant verification, granular restore and disaster recovery orchestration for virtual, physical, cloud and SaaS environments - all in one convenient web interface.



The product provides image-based, application-aware, incremental backup and replication. You can easily schedule jobs using the calendar in the product's web interface and save up to 1,000 recovery points for each backup, rotating them on a GFS basis. You can also protect your VMs and instances more efficiently by taking advantage of Changed Block Tracking (for VMware), Resilient Change Tracking (for Hyper-V), or Changed Regions Tracking (for Nutanix), LAN-Free Data Transfer, Network Acceleration, and other product features.

The solution includes an advanced disaster recovery (DR) functionality. It allows you to automate and orchestrate DR activities across multiple sites. Build advanced site recovery workflows to failover an entire site in just a few clicks, perform non-disruptive recoverability testing, and make sure you have a workable DR plan in place to help minimize downtime and prevent loss of revenue or data.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to simplify data protection management through the automation of core tasks such as backup, replication, and backup copy. Instead of tracking every change in your environment and manually adding VMs or physical machines to jobs, you can set up policies based on a VM/physical machine name, tag, size, location, power state, configuration, or other parameters. NAKIVO Backup & Replication can regularly scan your infrastructure and automatically protect VMs, physical machines, and Amazon EC2 instances that match policy rules.

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can also ensure the safety and integrity of your Microsoft Office 365 data. The product allows you to reliably protect Microsoft Exchange mailboxes, OneDrives for Business, and SharePoint Online sites.

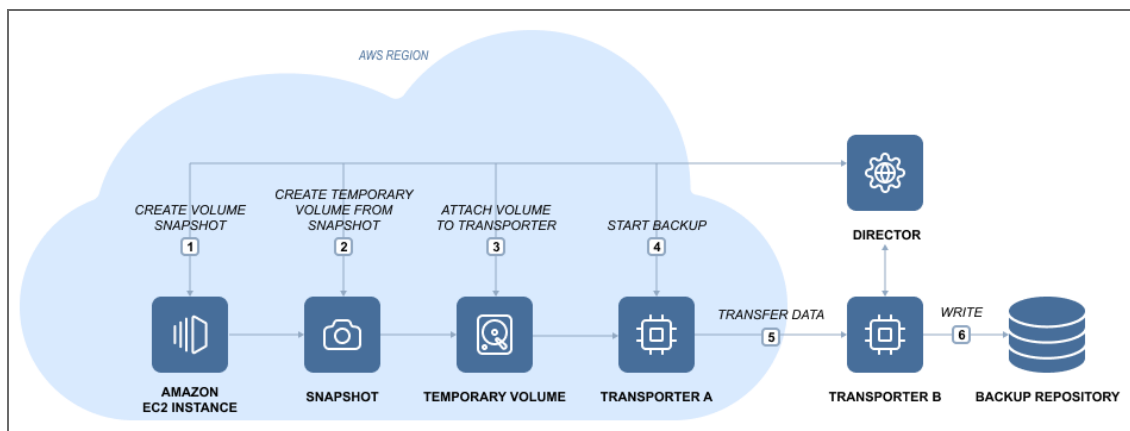
Data Protection

Data protection is the process of safeguarding business-critical information from loss, corruption or compromise. NAKIVO Backup & Replication offers a complete suite of backup features to protect physical, virtual, and cloud environments. By providing you with great flexibility and multiple automation options, the product can save you time and resources. For more information about the data protection offered by NAKIVO Backup & Replication, refer to the following topics:

- [“Amazon EC2 Backup” below](#)
- [“Amazon EC2 Concepts” on the next page](#)
- [“Backup Copy” on page 9](#)
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Amazon EC2 Backup

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to create native backups of Amazon EC2 Instances. An Amazon EC2 instance backup is a point in time copy of an entire instance that is stored in a special folder called a [Backup Repository](#).



Here is how NAKIVO Backup & Replication performs Amazon EC2 instance backup:

1. Takes snapshots of the EBS volumes attached to the Amazon EC2 instance.
2. Converts snapshots to temporary volumes and attaches them to the [Transporter](#) instance.
3. Reads data from the temporary volumes and sends it to the backup repository.
4. Detaches and removes the volumes.

To back up VMware VMs to Amazon EC2 you need to do the following:

1. [Add an Amazon EC2 Account](#) to the product's Inventory.
2. [Deploy a Transporter to the Amazon EC2 Region](#) where you wish to create a Backup Repository.
3. [Create a Backup Repository](#) in the Amazon EC2 Region.

Amazon EC2 Concepts

- [Instance](#)
- [EBS Volume](#)
- [Region](#)
- [Availability Zone](#)
- [VPC](#)
- [Subnet](#)
- [Security Group](#)
- [Key Pair](#)
- [Elastic Network Adapter](#)

Instance

An *Amazon EC2 Instance* is a virtual server in Amazon's Elastic Compute Cloud (EC2). Amazon EC2 provides different Instance types so you can choose the CPU, memory, storage, and networking capacity you need.

EBS Volume

An *Amazon EBS Volume* is a virtual disk that can be attached to any Amazon EC2 Instance that is in the same Availability Zone. Amazon EBS volumes persist independently from the life of the instance, i.e. deleting an Amazon EC2 Instance does not delete EBS Volumes that were connected to it.

Region

An *Amazon EC2 Region* is a geographic area where an Amazon EC2 Instance is hosted. Amazon EC2 provides multiple Regions so you can create and run your Amazon EC2 Instances in locations that meet your requirements. Each Region is completely independent and isolated from others.

Availability Zone

An *Amazon EC2 Availability Zone* is a location within an Amazon EC2 Region. Each Availability Zone is isolated from failures in other Availability Zones, yet all Availability Zones within the same region are connected with low-latency network connectivity to others in the same Region.

VPC

A *virtual private cloud* (VPC) is a virtual network in Amazon EC2. A VPC is dedicated to your AWS Account and is logically isolated from other virtual networks in the AWS cloud. Similar to regular networks, you can configure your VPCs: select IP address ranges, create subnets, configure route tables, network gateways, and security settings. After you have created and configured a VPC, you can connect your Amazon EC2 Instances to the VPC.

Subnet

A *subnet* is a range of IP addresses in a VPC. You can connect Amazon EC2 Instances to a subnet that you select: public subnets provide access to the Internet, while private subnets don't.

Security Group

A *security group* is a virtual firewall that controls the traffic for one or more instances. When you create an Amazon EC2 Instance, you associate one or more security groups with the Instance. You add rules to each security group that allows traffic to or from its associated instances. You can modify the rules for a security group at any time; the new rules are automatically applied to all instances that are associated with the security group. When we decide whether to allow traffic to reach an instance, we evaluate all the rules from all the security groups that are associated with the instance.

Key Pair

Amazon EC2 uses *key pairs* to encrypt and decrypt login information. A key pair consists of a Public Key that is used to encrypt passwords, and a Private Key is used to decrypt them. When creating a new Amazon EC2 Instance, you need to either create a new Key Pair for it or assign an existing key pair for the Instance. To log in to your Amazon EC2 Instance, you must provide the private key for it. Note that Linux instances have no password, and you use a key pair to log in using SSH. With Windows instances, you use a key pair to obtain the administrator password and then log in using RDP.

Elastic Network Adapter

Elastic Network Adapter (ENA) is a custom network interface with accompanying drivers providing Enhanced Networking on EC2 instances. ENA is optimized to deliver high throughput and packet per second performance and consistently low latencies on EC2 instances. Depending on the type of EC2 instance, you can utilize up to 20 Gbit/s of network bandwidth with ENA. For more information, refer to the corresponding [article](#) on the AWS website.

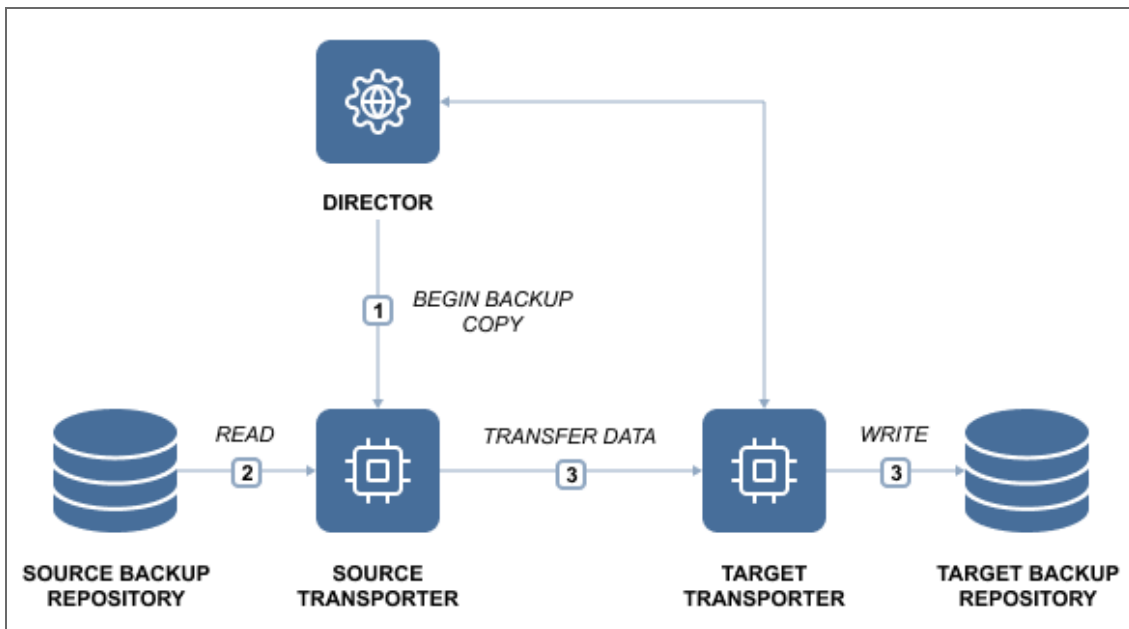
Backup Copy

Backups can be lost on account of a number of reasons, so having more than one copy of your business-critical backups is vital for ensuring that your data can be recovered in case of disaster. Backup Copy jobs provide a simple yet powerful way to create and maintain copies of your backups. Backup copy jobs copy backups from one Backup Repository to another without affecting the source ESXi hosts, VMs, or Amazon EC2 instances. This way, your source VMs or Amazon EC2 instances are read-only once while backups can be copied to one or multiple locations.

- [Create Mirrored Copy of your Backup Repository](#)
- [Copy Most Important Backups](#)
- [Copy Backups Created by Particular Backup Jobs](#)
- [Resource Efficiency and Variable Data Compression](#)
- [Copy Backups Offsite](#)
- [Copy Backups to Amazon Cloud](#)
- [Copy Recovery Points that You Need](#)
- [Schedule Backup Copy to Suit Your Needs](#)

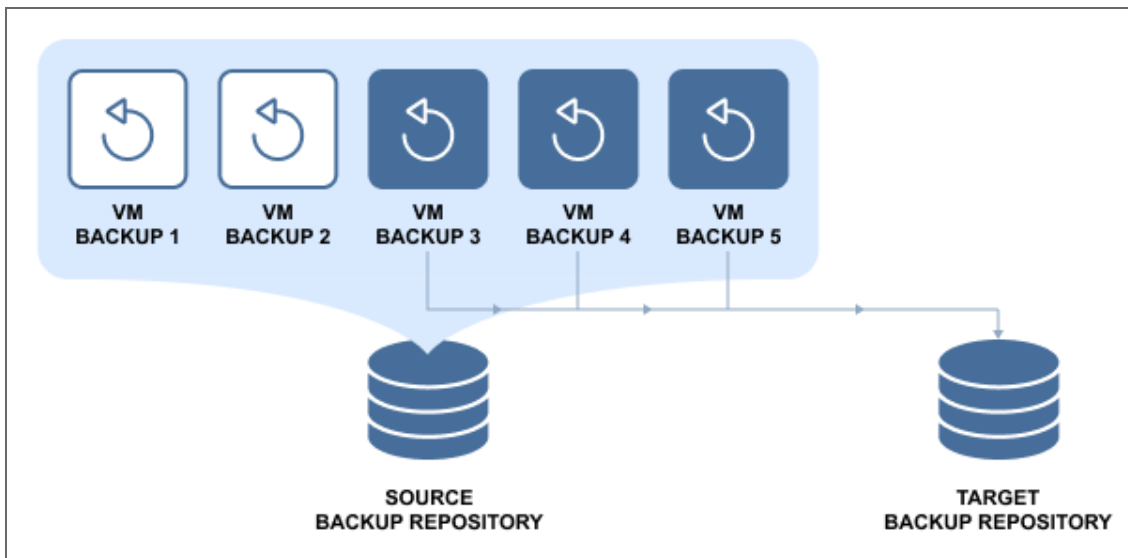
Create Mirrored Copy of your Backup Repository

With a Backup Copy job, you can create and maintain a mirrored copy of your primary Backup Repository, which is the simplest and the most reliable way to protect all your backups. Think of it as a Backup Repository replication: all backups and recovery points that appear in the Backup Repository A will be automatically sent to Backup Repository B:



Copy Most Important Backups

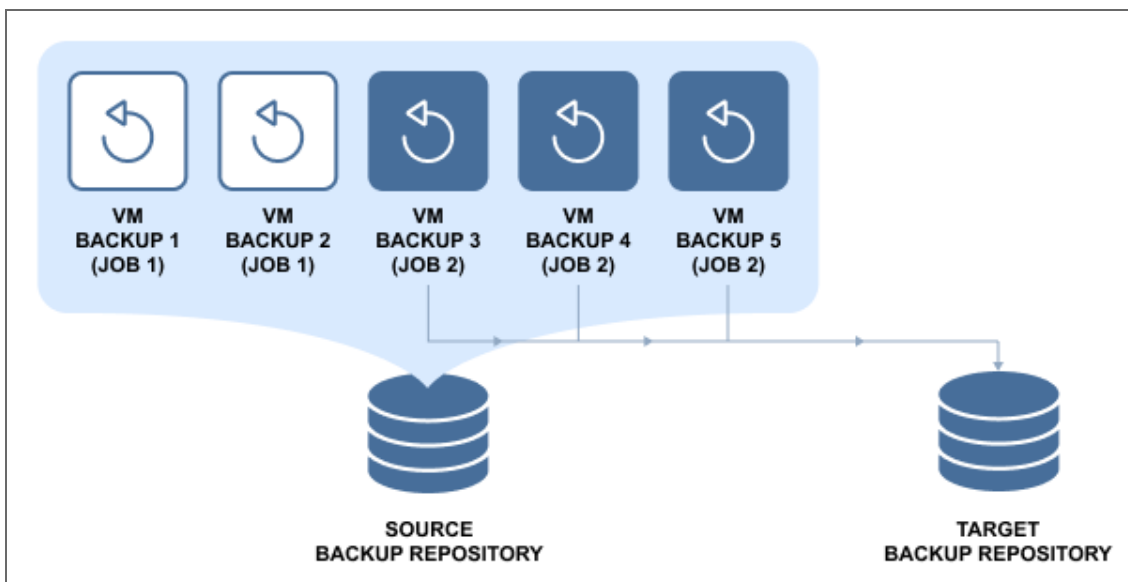
To save storage space on your secondary Backup Repository and to speed up data transfer, you can choose to create a Backup Copy job for only the most important backups:



This way, only the selected backups (and their recovery points) will be transferred to the secondary Backup Repository.

Copy Backups Created by Particular Backup Jobs

NAKIVO Backup & Replication enables you to create and maintain copies of backups created by particular Backup jobs:



This way, you can ensure that all backups created by important Backup jobs are copied to a secondary Backup Repository.

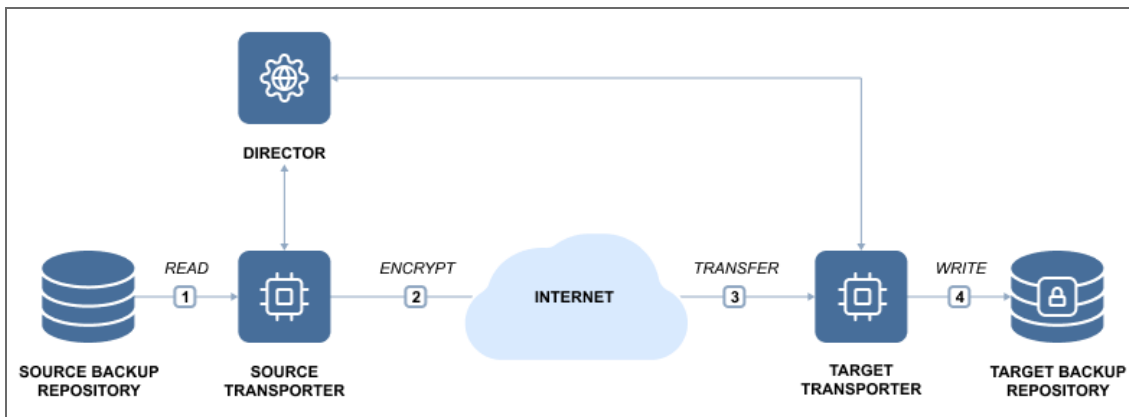
Resource Efficiency and Variable Data Compression

In addition to global data deduplication, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically compresses backed up data to reduce the amount of space that backups occupy in storage. By default, the compression level in the new Backup Repositories is set to “Fast,” so that your Backup jobs will run faster. When creating a secondary Backup Repository, you can set the compression level to “Best,” which uses more CPU, but delivers better compression levels. This way, the strongest compression algorithm will be used to compress backup data, resulting in smaller backups in your secondary Backup Repository.

Similarly, if source and target Repositories already share the same type and compression, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically skips data pack and unpack stages during Backup Copy jobs to cut down on time and resource usage.

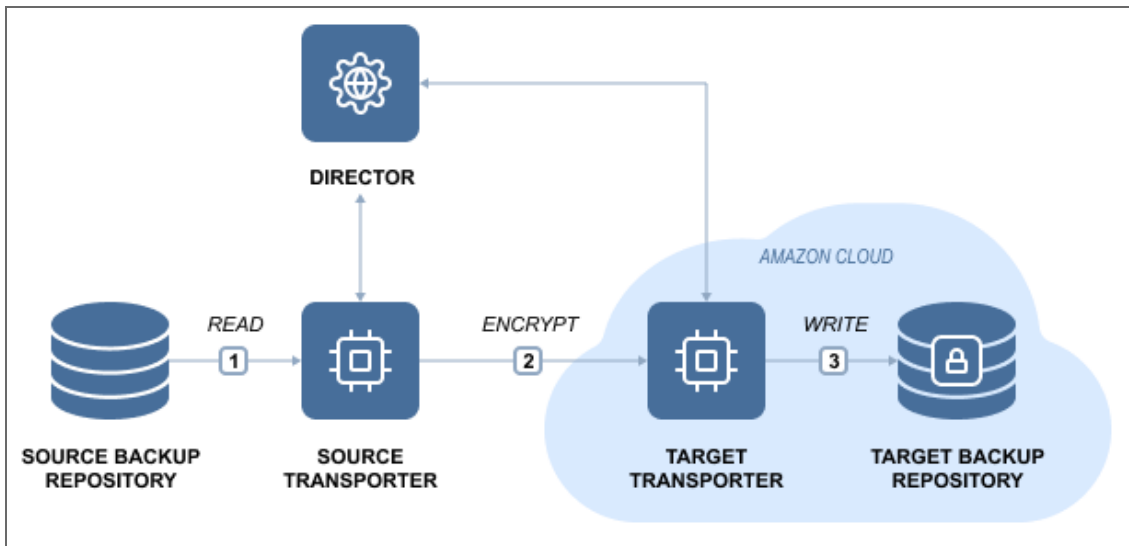
Copy Backups Offsite

While you can keep copies of your backups locally, having at least one copy of your most critical backups offsite can save you a lot of trouble in case a local disaster should wipe your primary backups. The secondary Backup Repository can be placed in any location that has a connection to the Internet, since backup data can be transferred via AES 256 encrypted link, and your secondary backup repository can be encrypted as well.



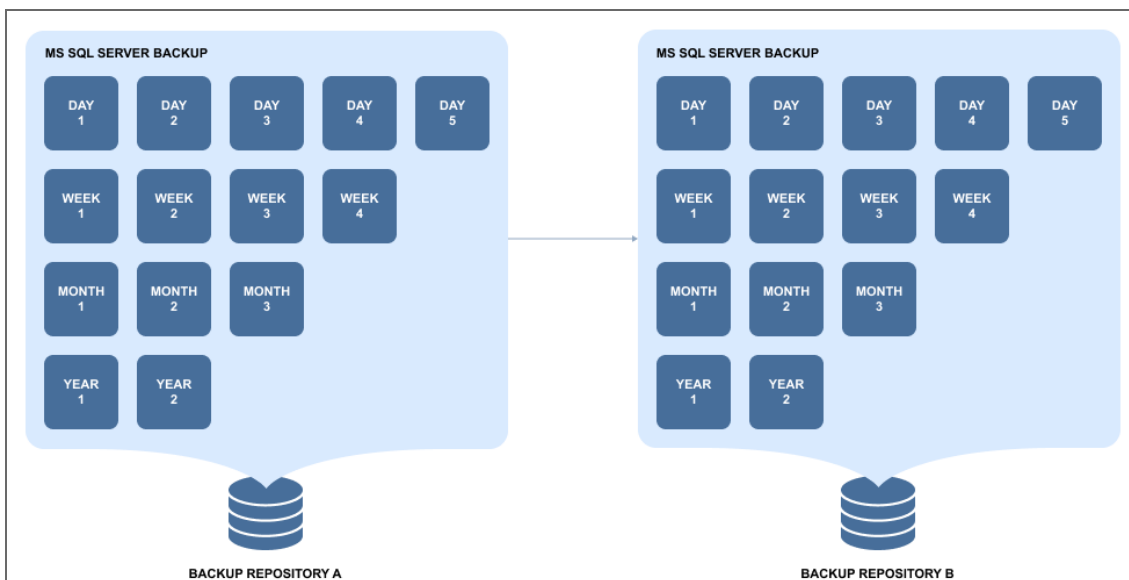
Copy Backups to Amazon Cloud

Amazon provides one of the most reliable and affordable cloud services in the industry. With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can use Amazon's fast, reliable, and affordable cloud to store copies of your backups.

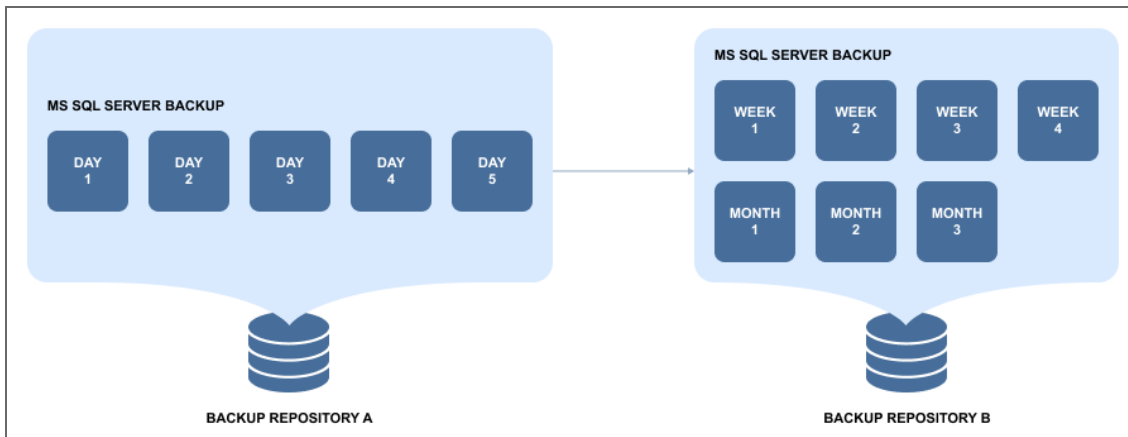


Copy Recovery Points that You Need

Each backup can contain up to 10,000 recovery points, which are saved based on recovery point retention policy, i.e. how many recovery points you want to have and for how long you want to keep them. With Backup Copy jobs, you can choose to create a mirrored copy of each backup: all recovery points that are available in Backup Repository A will be copied to Backup Repository B.



However, Backup and Backup Copy are different jobs, so you can set different retention policies for your primary backups and their copies in a different Backup Repository. This way, for example, you can store several daily backups onsite, and keep (archive) weekly, monthly, and yearly copies of backups in a secondary Backup Repository for long-term storage.



Also, you can use fast storage for a subset of backups and use slower, but more reliable storage for long-term archiving.

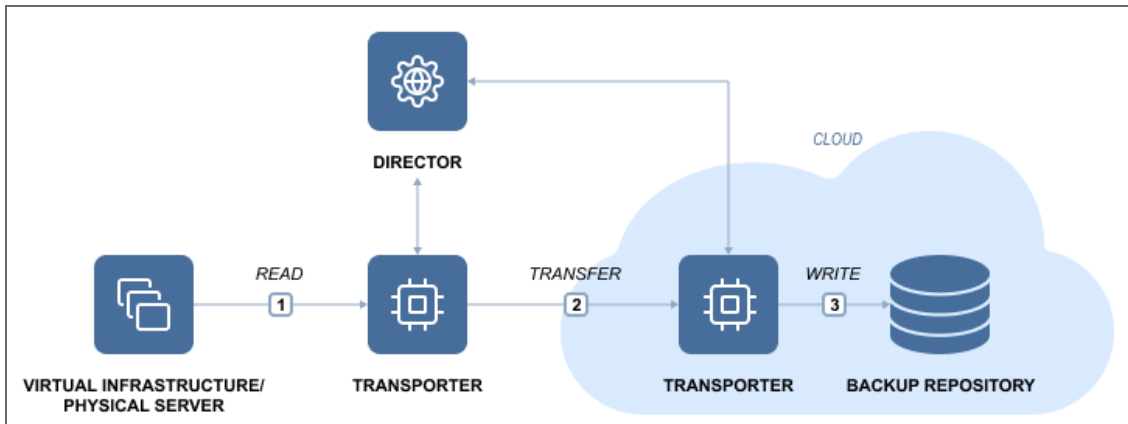
Schedule Backup Copy to Suit Your Needs

Backup Copy jobs have their own schedule, so you can set them up to run whenever it suits your needs. For example, you can set up a Backup Copy job to run every night on workdays, or set it up to run on weekends to send all backups made during the week to a secondary Backup Repository.

To learn how to create and run backup copy jobs with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, refer to [“Creating Backup Copy Jobs”](#) on page 725.

Backup to Cloud

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to send backups and backup copies to Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, generic S3-compatible storage, Microsoft Azure, Backblaze B2, and Wasabi Hot Cloud Storage..



Keeping backups in the cloud provides a number of benefits, including:

- Safe backup storage. Storing backups in the cloud keeps them safe even if the local infrastructure becomes unavailable.
- Backup immutability. Backups stored in the cloud can also be made immutable to protect them from new ransomware attacks or accidental deletions.
- Flexible backup storage. Cloud storage can be easily expanded as required, eliminating the need to choose, order, install, and configure new servers or hard drives for your growing environment.
- Easy and quick data recovery. Backups can be accessed at any time and from anywhere.
- Affordable backup storage. Instead of buying, configuring and maintaining an offsite backup infrastructure, you can simply use your existing hardware.
- Simple backup management. The set it and forget it approach in NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to schedule regular backup jobs to the cloud.

While cloud providers offer cloud storage at an affordable price, NAKIVO Backup & Replication helps further reduce offsite backup costs with additional features like incremental backup, exclusion of swap files and partitions, and backup compression, among others. With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can use Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, generic S3-compatible storage, Microsoft Azure, Backblaze B2, or Wasabi as your primary or secondary backup storage destination.

How Backup to Cloud Works

A backup represents a point-in-time copy of a VM or physical machine that is stored in the Backup Repository. A Backup Repository is the destination for storing backup data. NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to create backup repositories in public clouds such as Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, generic S3-compatible storage, Microsoft Azure, Backblaze B2, or Wasabi. In NAKIVO Backup & Replication, a backup job is performed as follows:

1. The product automatically creates temporary snapshots of the source VMs/physical machines.
2. The data blocks that were changed since the last backup are identified and sent to the Backup Repository.
3. The temporary snapshots created in the process are removed.

However, backups can also get lost or damaged as a result of unexpected events. With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can also run backup copy jobs, which allow you to create copies of VMware vSphere VM, Microsoft Hyper-V, Amazon EC2, or physical machine backups. Creating copies of critical backups provides an additional level of data protection to avoid a single point of failure.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication enables you to copy backups from one Backup Repository to another without using the source hosts/VMs or physical machines. For more information, refer to [“Backup Copy” on page 9](#). NAKIVO Backup & Replication also includes an automated backup verification feature, which reads backups at the block level, compares the data written to the Backup Repository with the data from the source machine, then checks whether the data on both sites is identical and can be recovered in case of disaster.

For more details on backing up to cloud, refer to the following topics:

- [“Backup Repository in Amazon EC2” on page 548](#)
- [“Backup Repository in Amazon S3” on page 554](#)
- [“Backup Repository in Generic S3-Compatible Object Storage ” on page 558](#)
- [“Backup Repository in Microsoft Azure Blob Storage” on page 562](#)
- [“Backup Repository in Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage” on page 565](#)
- [“Backup Repository in Wasabi Hot Cloud Storage” on page 569](#)

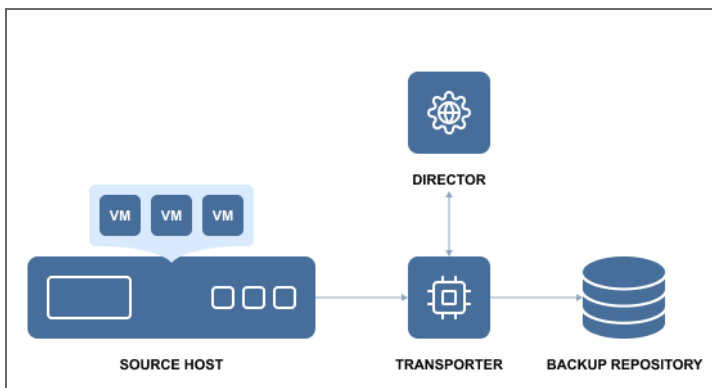
Backup to Tape

NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides native tape support for automated tape libraries, including virtual tape libraries (VTL), as well as standalone tape drives.

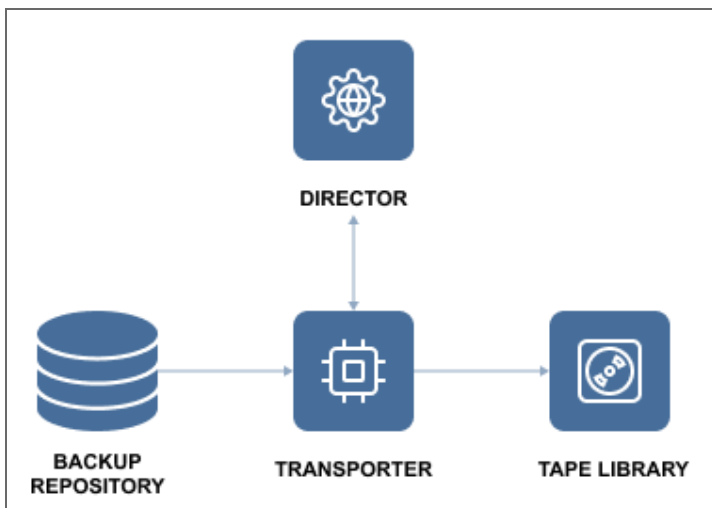
Backup to Tape is the process of backing up critical data to a tape cartridge. In essence, backing up to tape means creating a backup, storing it in the repository and then moving it to a tape cartridge for safekeeping. NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports backups of the following platforms: VMware, Hyper-V, Nutanix AHV, Amazon Amazon EC2, and physical machines. The backups can be sent to physical tape libraries or VTL for storing. NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows for realizing the Disk Staging (D2D2T) backup strategy, where disks are used as an additional, temporary stage of the backup process before finally storing backup to tape.

In NAKIVO Backup & Replication, the process of storing backups to tape consists of two stages:

Stage 1 – creating backups and storing them in the Backup Repository:



Stage 2 – copying backups from the repository to the tape library:



[Recovering from tape](#) is the reverse of backing up: the backups stored on the tape cartridges are first recovered to the Backup Repository and then recovered using NAKIVO Backup & Replication's tools.

Before you back up/recover to/from tape (physical or VTL), you need to [configure](#) NAKIVO Backup & Replication by adding tape libraries, discovering cartridges, etc.

The Native Tape support is fully integrated into NAKIVO Backup & Replication solution and allows you to administer all backup and restore operations on tapes directly from the application's user interface. Saving data on tapes presents you with the same data managing options as disk repositories: you can store full and incremental backups, apply user-defined retention settings to the archived data, select restore points and so on.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports Linear Tape-Open tape libraries and standalone tape drives starting from generation 3 (LTO3) or later as well as VTL. Using the solution, you can discover not only tape libraries and standalone devices, but also the tape cartridges in those devices.

Note

All the tape cartridges discovered within a Robotic Tape Library should have barcodes for the best performance of the product. For standalone tape devices, this is not essential.

Also, any changes to the tape infrastructure (moving or removing cartridges, changing their order, etc.) made by any other means (i.e. manually or via command line) rather than with NAKIVO Backup & Replication is the user's responsibility, since the system is unaware of such changes.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports writing/reading backups to/from discovered tape cartridges, as well as other operations, like moving cartridges between slots, erasing, scanning, etc.

The table below provides a description of some of the tape-related terms:

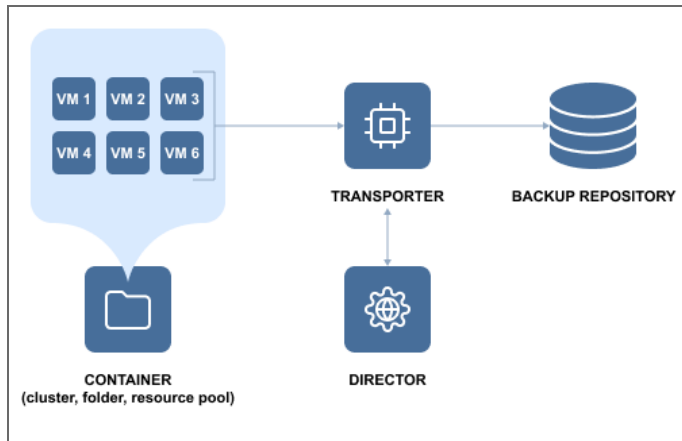
Term	Description
Tape Library	A storage device that includes one or more tape drives, a number of slots and a media changer (robot).
Tape Drive	A device component (or a standalone device) used to read and write the tape cartridge.
Slot	A place in the tape library designed to hold a single cartridge.
Mail Slot	A slot in the tape library that allows you to physically add or remove a tape cartridge without disturbing the operation of the tape library.
Media Changer	A device component used to move a single tape cartridge between slots and load/unload the cartridge to/from the tape drive.
Tape Cartridge (Tape)	A unit of sequential magnetic medium and an optional barcode used for identification.
Media Pool	A logical container that contains tape cartridges.

Term	Description
Backup (Tape)	A logical entity containing one or more recovery points on one or more tape cartridge(s) that belong to a single source object.
Recovery Point (Tape)	A complete or incomplete data set required to rebuild a VM or instance as of a particular moment in time.

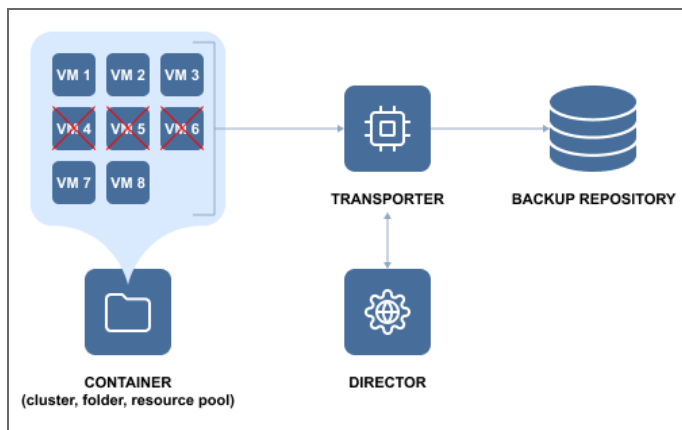
Container Protection

VMs can be organized into containers, such as resource pools, clusters, and folders. This form of organization allows you to easily add resources upon request and unload them when they are no longer necessary. NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to add an entire container to a backup or replication job. All changes in the container (i.e. adding to or removing from) are automatically reflected in a backup or replication job. Thus, all important VMs are continuously protected. If certain VMs inside a container are not required to be backed up or replicated frequently, you can exclude them from a backup or replication job. The container will still be protected but will not include less important VMs. This will save space in the Backup Repository and increase the speed of backup or replication jobs. For example, you set up a backup job for a cluster to run daily, but this cluster contains a couple of rather massive VMs that do not require frequent backups; you can edit the job by excluding those VMs. NAKIVO Backup & Replication will ask you whether to keep or remove backups made on previous job runs.

- Day 1



- Day 2

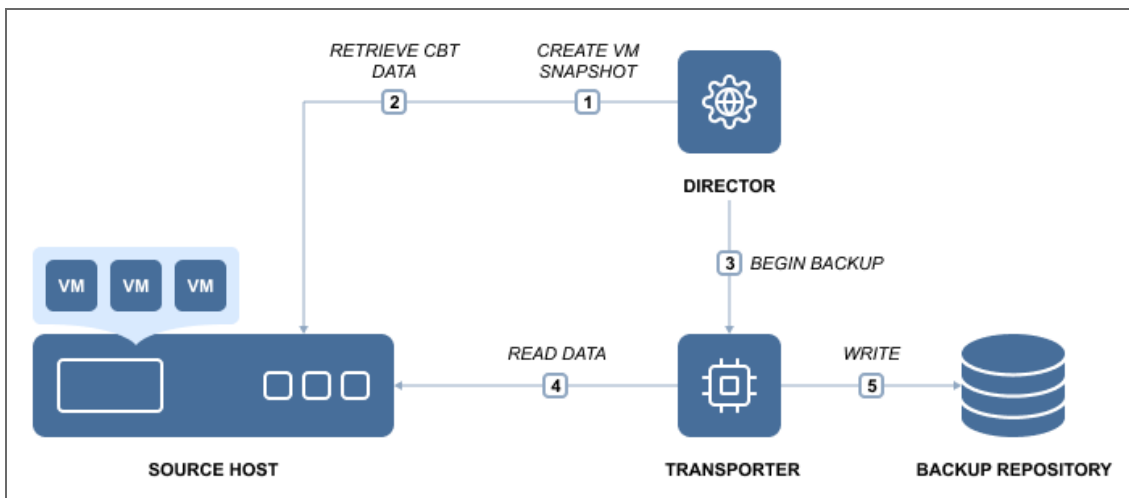


Virtual Machine Backup

NAKIVO Backup & Replication works in a virtual environment and uses an image-based approach to VM backup. It is an agentless application that does not require you to install any additional software inside the VM guest OS to retrieve VM data. It exploits virtualization platforms' snapshot capabilities to back up VMs. When you initiate a VM backup, NAKIVO Backup & Replication requests a virtualization platform to create a VM snapshot which is basically a point-in-time copy of a VM including its configuration, OS, applications, associated data, system state, and so on. The snapshot is used as a source of data for backup. Copying of the data from the source datastore is performed at a block level. NAKIVO Backup & Replication fetches the VM data, performs compression and deduplication, and finally stores the backup files in the repository.

In NAKIVO Backup & Replication, backing up is performed via a job that must be created and configured prior to the backup itself. A backup job is a configuration unit of the backup activity that defines when, what, how and where is to be backed up. One or several VMs can be processed by a single backup job. A job can be started manually or scheduled for execution. The initial job's run always produces a complete backup of the VM image. The following sessions can create full or incremental backups. During incremental backups, NAKIVO Backup & Replication copies only blocks of data that have changed since the last backup job session. Tracking of changed data blocks is performed using the virtualization platforms' capabilities (CBT/RCT/CRT) or with NAKIVO Backup & Replication's proprietary method.

Technically, the VM backup process is performed according to the following flow depicted below:



To learn how to create VM backups with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, refer to [“Backup” on page 687](#).

Data Recovery

One of the key elements of an effective protection strategy is ensuring that data can be restored quickly after any corruption or loss. NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides several recovery options for maintaining the operational backup of data and business continuity/disaster recovery:

Refer to the following topics for more information about data recovery:

- [“Cross-Platform Recovery” on page 22](#)
- [“Instant File Recovery to Source” on page 24](#)
- [“Instant Object Recovery” on page 25](#)
- [“Instant VM Recovery - Flash boot” on page 26](#)
- [“Recovery From Tape” on page 29](#)
- [“Universal Object Recovery” on page 28](#)

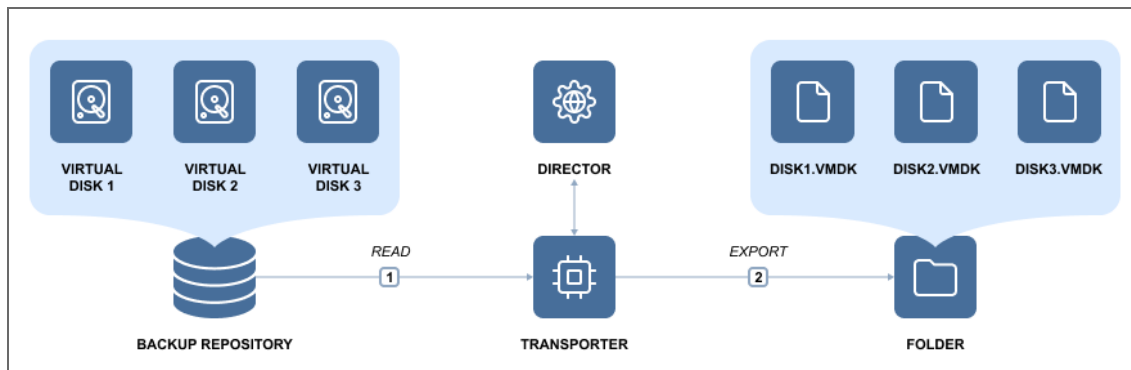
Cross-Platform Recovery

With Cross-Platform Recovery, you can seamlessly protect VM/physical machine data across multiple platforms and virtualized environments. You can also benefit from the following other advantages:

- **Data Migration** – whether a disaster renders one of your hypervisors/physical servers unavailable, or you simply make the decision to switch to a single-platform virtualized environment, Cross-Platform Recovery can be of help. Export your VM or physical machine backup data in the desired format, and know that you can recover on a different platform without encountering any incompatibility issues.
- **Long-Term Data Archiving** – the specifics of your line of business or legislative requirements may require you to store backups for years. With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can easily export and store data offsite for as long as you need. Moreover, if your choice of virtualization software changes over time, you shouldn't have any problems recovering from your old backups in the new environment.
- **Recoverability Testing** – the fact that you have a backup does not automatically mean you can recover from that backup. Cross-Platform Recovery gives you the freedom to test different scenarios of recoverability in multiple environments, thus helping ensure business continuity. With Cross-Platform Recovery, no disaster can catch you off guard.

You can export VM/physical machine data from any backup into the format of your choice in four simple steps:

1. Select a backup (VMware, Hyper-V, Nutanix AHV or physical server).
2. Choose one or multiple virtual disks that you would like to export.
3. Specify the target location and export format (VMDK, VHD, or VHDX).
4. Click a button and have the data of each selected disk exported into a separate file.

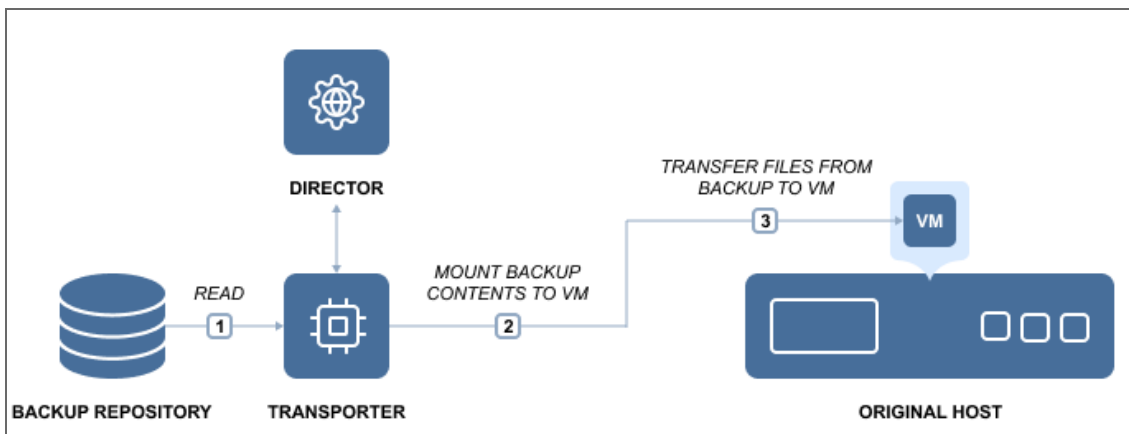


Once exported, the files can be used for recovery or long-term storage. Cross-Platform Recovery allows for unrestricted data protection across different hypervisors, physical machines and cloud platforms. Whether one of your hypervisors or physical machines is down or you need to migrate data from one platform to another, Cross-Platform Recovery gives you the necessary tools for seamless cross-platform data protection and recovery.

Instant File Recovery to Source

The Instant File Recovery to Source feature allows you to recover files and folders to their original location (or any custom location) in a single click. NAKIVO Backup & Replication can instantly recover files right from compressed and deduplicated backups. Files can be recovered from both Windows and Linux-based machines. With the push of a button, the selected files can be reinstated in their original location or in a new custom location on any VM/physical machine, downloaded to the local machine, or sent via email. When restoring files back to the original location, the file permissions are all restored as well. The Instant File Recovery feature works both via LAN and WAN. Thus, even if local backups are unavailable, you can recover from a backup copy located, for example, in an Amazon EC2 cloud a thousand miles away. Note that recovery to the source is executed via a system account.

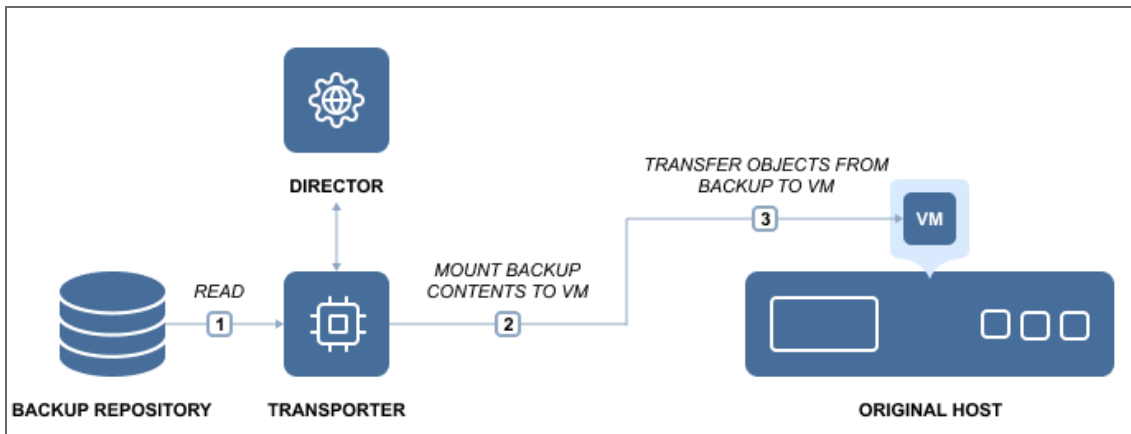
The file recovery process is simple and straightforward. First, select a backup and recovery point from which you wish to recover files. The files and folders available for recovery are displayed right in the NAKIVO Backup & Replication web interface. Browse or search for files, select the files you wish to recover, specify where you want them, click the button, and behold! The files are instantly recovered.



To learn how to recover files with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, refer to [“File Recovery”](#) on page 843.

Instant Object Recovery

NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides you with the ability to instantly browse, search, and recover Microsoft Active Directory, Microsoft Exchange, and Microsoft SQL Server directly from compressed and deduplicated backups. The objects can be restored to the source server, to a different server, or exported to a custom location. The feature streamlines, automates, and speeds up the process of restoring your data, and is available out-of-the-box in NAKIVO Backup & Replication. For more information, refer to [“Granular Recovery” on page 842](#).



Instant VM Recovery - Flash boot

The Flash boot feature allows you to boot a VM directly from compressed and deduplicated backups for fast recovery during an outage. When a business-critical machine goes down, every minute of downtime has costly and damaging consequences. With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can recover entire machines from their backups in minutes. The Flash Boot feature allows you to boot machines directly from compressed and deduplicated backups without recovering entire machines first. This feature works right out of the box without any special setup. Just choose a backup, a recovery point, and a recovery location (a host, a resource pool, or a cluster where you want to run the recovered machine). Then press the button and your machine is booted in no time.

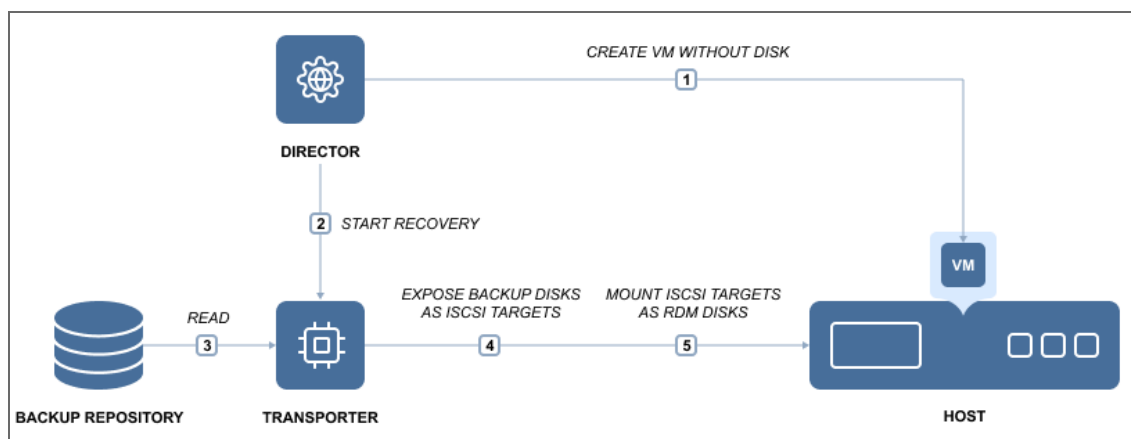
Once the machine is running, you can migrate it to production for permanent recovery. Note that the backup from which the VM is booted is not affected. Changes you make to the running VM will not modify or remove the data in your VM backup. In addition to the VM recovery capabilities, the Flash boot feature offers other useful functions. For example, it allows you:

- Access the files, folders, and application objects of any application on any OS.
- Test system updates and application patches before applying them to your production machine.
- Verify the backup to ensure that the OS and applications run properly.
- Copy a VMDK or VHDX file, and then delete the virtual machine.

This is how the Flash boot feature works:

NAKIVO Backup & Replication consists of two main components: the Director, which is the management component, and the Transporter, which performs actual data protection and recovery tasks. By default, both components are automatically installed to enable all features out of the box.

When you run a Flash boot job, the Director creates a new VM without any disks on the target server, then commands the Transporter to expose the machine disks from the Backup Repository as iSCSI targets. Finally, the Director mounts the exposed disks to the newly created VM.



This process is fully automated and takes mere seconds to complete, after which the machine OS boot is started. Once booted, the machine can be migrated to the production environment using the hypervisor's native live migration feature.

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication you can also perform Flash boot to run VMware VMs directly from physical machine backups. If a business-critical physical machine goes down, you can use Cross-Platform Flash Boot for instant recovery without having to manually install a new OS and applications on the new machine. The machine recovered this way can be used as a testing environment and can later be migrated for permanent use.

To learn how to create recovery jobs using the Flash boot feature, refer to [“Performing Flash boot Recovery” on page 936](#)

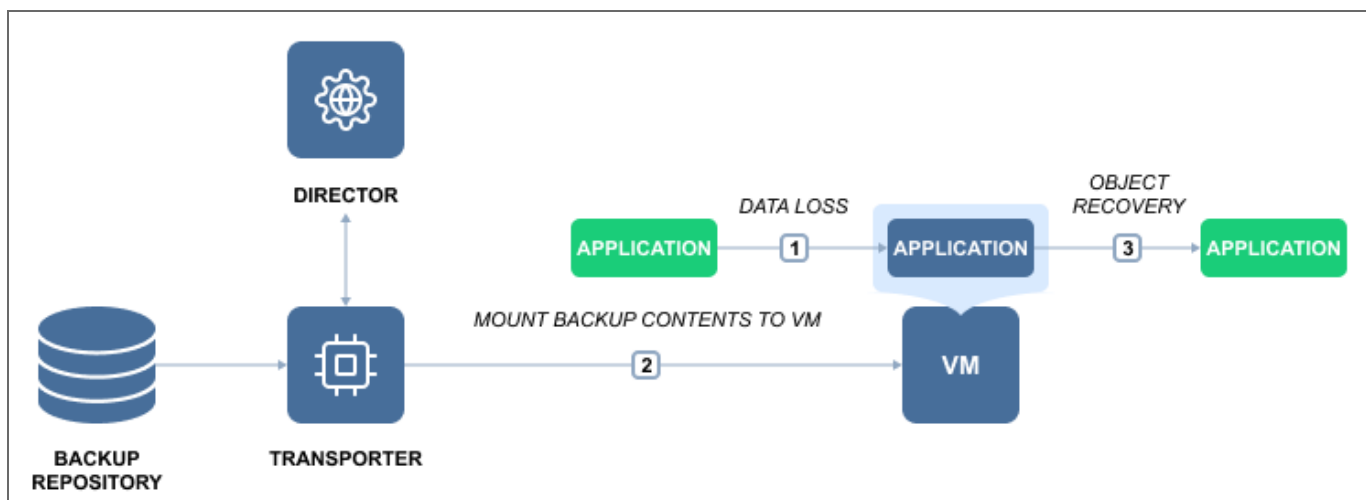
Universal Object Recovery

The Universal Object Recovery feature allows you to recover any object in the infrastructure – whatever the application or file system – in a matter of minutes by mounting the appropriate backup to a VM or physical machine and then recovering the necessary data using the native application tools.

Universal Object Recovery provides multiple recovery options, increases the flexibility of the recovery process, and saves a significant amount of time.

- **Versatility** – with Universal Object Recovery, you are not limited to certain applications or file systems: you can recover any object at any time (provided you have a recent backup). Moreover, the feature allows you to recover individual objects back to the source, to another VM or instance, or even to a physical machine.
- **Lower Overhead** – Universal Object Recovery lets you restore individual objects without having to recover the entire VM or physical machine. Thus, the feature eliminates the complexity of full machine recovery, saving you time that can be better used for other important tasks.
- **Faster Recovery** – recovering an entire machine from a deduplicated and compressed backup takes time, affecting your ability to meet your RTOs. With Universal Object Recovery, you can instantly mount disks from a backup, decreasing recovery time and ensuring minimal interruptions in your business operations.

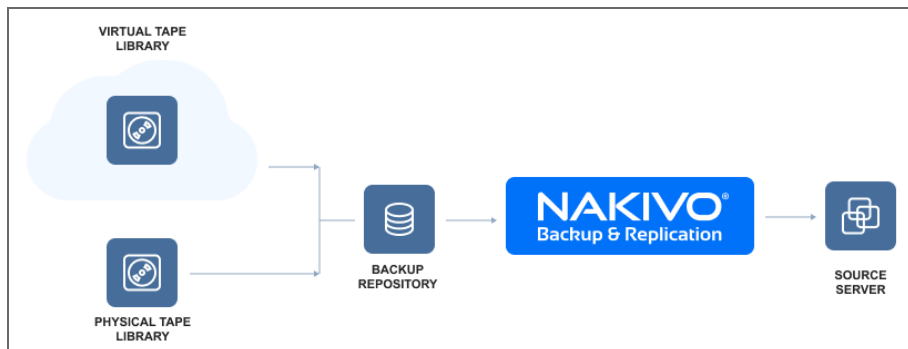
You can use NAKIVO Backup & Replication to recover application objects in a few simple steps: just open the Universal Object Recovery Wizard and select the appropriate recovery point. Once you choose the disks you wish to be mounted, NAKIVO Backup & Replication attaches said disks to the specified VM or physical machine. All you need to do after the mount is log into the corresponding VM or physical machine and use native application tools to recover the data.



To learn how to create object recovery jobs with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, refer to the corresponding topics of the [“Granular Recovery” on page 842](#) section.

Recovery From Tape

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to recover VMs and EC2 instances directly from tape backups using the standard recovery tools. You can also move backed up data from a tape cartridge to an existing **Backup Repository** if needed.



Refer to the following topics for more information:

- [“Starting Recovery from Tape” on page 933](#)
- [“Starting VMware VM Recovery” on page 900](#)
- [“Starting VMware Cloud Director Recovery” on page 915](#)

Disaster Recovery

Disaster Recovery (DR) is a practice intended to support an organization's ability to remain fully operational after an emergency event. DR serves to limit risks by getting an organization's infrastructure to run as close to normal as possible after an abrupt intermission. NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to address all major DR planning points by creating automated DR workflows for VMware, Microsoft Hyper-V, Nutanix AHV and Amazon EC2 environments. The solution allows you to protect VMs running within a cluster, replicate VMs, including creation of real-time replication jobs, perform failover to replicas and replica failback operations.

When utilizing Site Recovery (SR), you can include up to 200 actions to a single job, including failover, failback, start/stop VMs and instances, run/stop jobs, run script, attach or detach repository, send email, wait, and check condition. By arranging actions and conditions into one automated algorithm, you can create site recovery jobs of any complexity level. You can check the [“Site Recovery” on page 35](#) page to learn more.

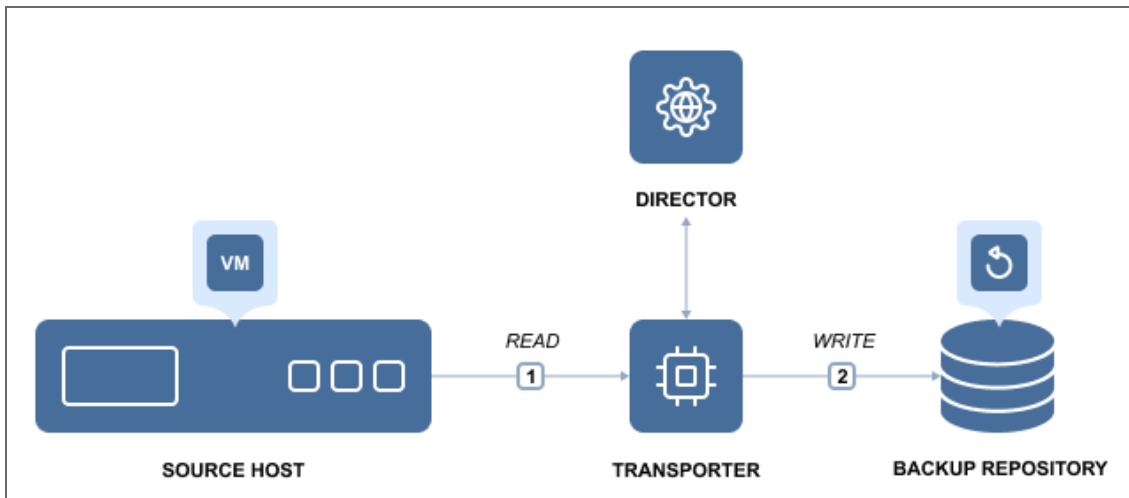
This section contains the following topics:

- [“Replication From Backup” on page 31](#)
- [“Real-Time Replication \(Beta\) for VMware” on page 32](#)
- [“Replication Types” on page 33](#)
- [“Site Recovery” on page 35](#)

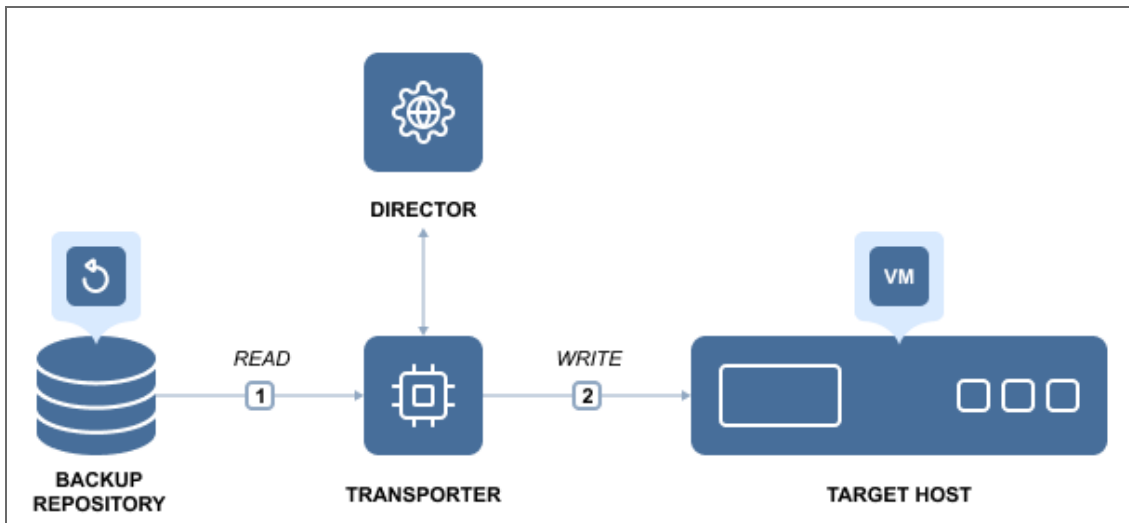
Replication From Backup

The Replication From Backup feature allows for offloading the production environment by replicating VMs directly from backups.

Step 1 - Create a backup



Step 2 - Replicate VM from backup



Setting up a replication from backup job for VMware and Hyper-V environments is no more time-consuming than setting up a traditional replication job. Once you launch a new replication job wizard and select VM backup as the source, NAKIVO Backup & Replication proceeds to read the data from the repository and injects it into the replica.

To learn how to create replication jobs with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, refer to [“Replication” on page 785](#).

Real-Time Replication (Beta) for VMware

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to perform real-time replication (RTR) for VMware vSphere VMs. Unlike regular replication jobs, RTR jobs continuously copy data from the source host as it is being generated. In the event of a disaster, this feature allows you to perform a failover to a state mere minutes or even seconds before the disaster occurred.

Real-time replication jobs for VMware vSphere work as follows:

1. A target Transporter is [deployed as a VMware vSphere appliance](#).
2. The **I/O Filter** and **Journal Service** are installed on the source and target hosts, respectively.
3. A Recovery Point Objective (**RPO**) is set in the **Real-Time Replication (Beta) Job Wizard for VMware**.
4. The VMware RTR job is run with the configured **RPO** and **I/O Journal** settings.
5. Data changes made on the source VM are continuously transferred to the installed **I/O Journal** as quickly as possible.
6. If a disaster occurs, a VMware real-time replication failover job is created and run to restore the VM to a selected recovery point (reference point that is a snapshot of data changes made to a source VM) of a replica VM and can be used for failover.

Important

Before starting a real-time replication job, make sure the time on the source ESXi host(s) and the target **Transporter** VA is synchronized.

Otherwise, the **RPO** value and/or recovery point date-time data may be incorrect. Also, the **Real-Time Replication Failover (Beta) Job Wizard for VMware** process may yield the incorrect recovery points.

For more information on using real-time replication and the above terms, refer to the following pages:

- [“Installing I/O Filter” on page 504](#)
- [“Installing the Journal Service” on page 514](#)
- [“Creating VMware Real-Time Replication \(Beta\) Jobs” on page 820](#)
- [“Real-Time Replication Failover \(Beta\) for VMware” on page 984](#)

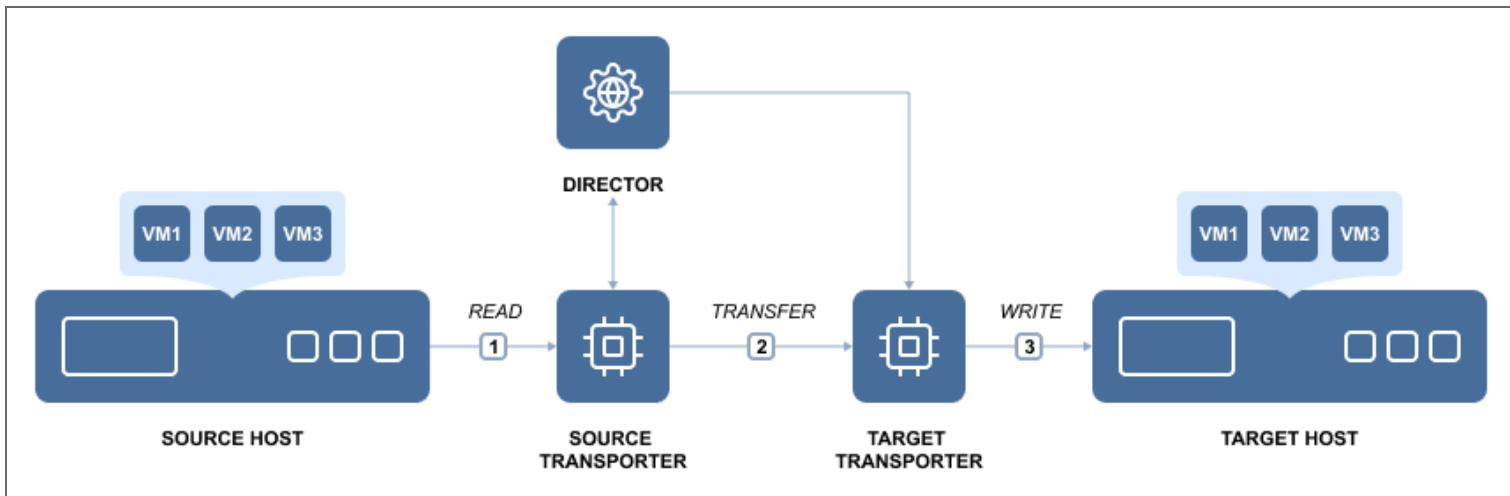
Replication Types

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to replicate virtual machines and Amazon EC2 instances.

- [VM Replication](#)
- [Amazon EC2 Replication](#)

VM Replication

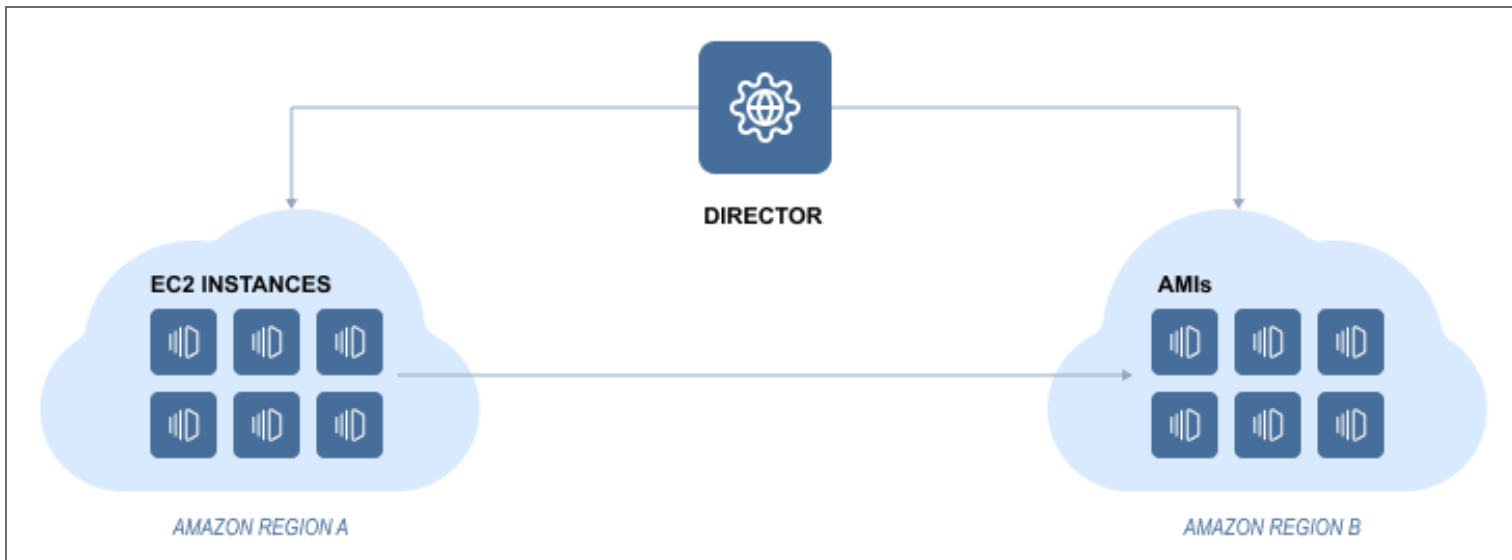
A VM replica is an exact copy of an entire VMware or Hyper-V VM created on a target host. VM replication ensures business continuity as it lets you immediately power on the replica of any failed primary VM at any time.



Replicas are stored on the target hosts in a powered-off state, and so do not consume any resources. If the source VM has been damaged, you simply need to power the replica without NAKIVO Backup & Replication. NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides you with the ability to add both individual VMs and all VMs within selected VMware containers (such as resource pools, folders, hosts, clusters, etc.) to a replication job. That is to say, all your new VMs that are created in or moved to a protected container are automatically added to your replication job. You can store up to 30 recovery points for each replica. Even if the source VM was replicated after an error, you can always revert to the last working copy.

Amazon EC2 Replication

Amazon EC2 replication creates identical copies (i.e. replicas) of your Amazon EC2 instances as AMIs, ensuring business continuity in case primary instances or the whole region become unavailable. NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows for replicating instances either inside the same region or to another one.

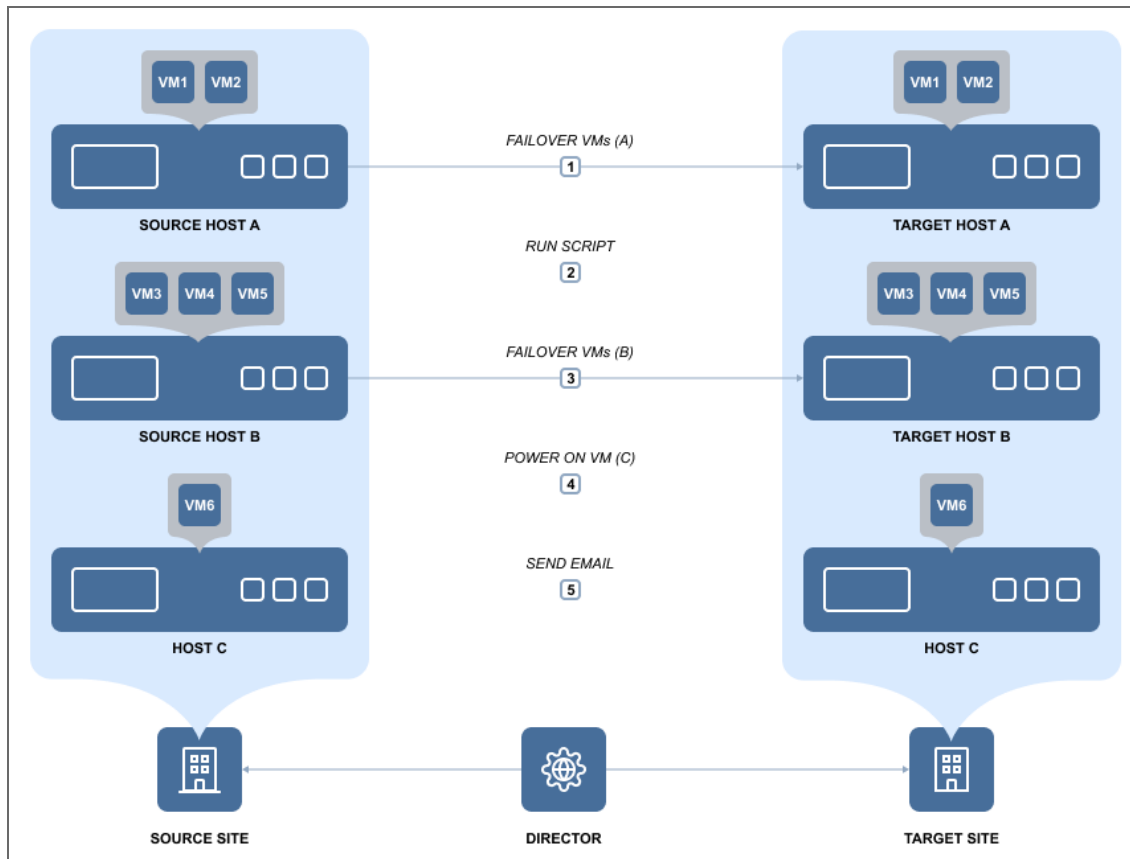


In the case of same region replication, NAKIVO Backup & Replication first initiates the creation of snapshots of selected source volumes and then creates AMIs from the source instance configuration and created snapshots. In case of cross-region replication, NAKIVO Backup & Replication initiates the creation of snapshots of selected source volumes in the source region. Then the product copies those snapshots to the target region and creates AMI from source instance configuration and copied snapshots. Finally, NAKIVO Backup & Replication deletes the snapshots in the source region.

To learn how to create VMware, Hyper-V, and Amazon EC replication jobs, refer to the corresponding topics in [“Replication” on page 785](#).

Site Recovery

Using Site Recovery Jobs, NAKIVO Backup & Replication can automate the execution of one or more actions. An action is a single task that can be included in a Site Recovery Job. The list of available actions can be found under [“Site Recovery Job Wizard: Actions” on page 997](#).



Special Actions used in recovering your IT environment with a Site Recovery Job are Failover and Failback:

- **Failover** switches workloads from the primary location to a secondary recovery location. With Failover action, you can temporarily suspend workloads on the primary location, and start them from the recovery location.
- **Failback** is the process of synchronizing data that has changed since Failover finished, back to the primary location. With Failback action, you can stop workloads on the secondary location and switch them back to the primary location.

Failover and Failback actions are applicable to replicas, and switch replica states

from *Failover* to *Normal* correspondingly. The Site Recovery Job can be executed in one of the following modes:

- **Test mode** is designed to verify the Site Recovery Job workflow and results. You can execute a Site Recovery Job in the test mode on demand or on schedule. Refer to [“Running Site Recovery Job in Test Mode” on page 1028](#) for details.

- **Production mode** is designed to recover the environment from a disaster. You can execute a Site Recovery Job in the production mode on demand only. Refer to [“Running Site Recovery Job in Production Mode” on page 1029](#) for details.

When the Site Recovery Job is run in the production mode, Failover may be either of the following types:

- **Planned failover** is designed to achieve zero data loss when disaster happens. The application will sync replica data with the source VM before switching workloads to the replica.
- **Emergency failover** is designed to minimize downtime. The application will switch workloads from the source VM to the replica immediately.

The topic includes the following sections:

- [Workflow of Site Recovery Job](#)
- [Cleanup of Site Recovery Job Testing](#)

Workflow of Site Recovery Job

If your Site Recovery Job contains a Failover action, the action will be executed as follows:

- Site Recovery Job is executed in **production** mode as **Emergency Failover** is being carried out:
 1. Replication from the source VM to the replica will be disabled.
 2. The replica will be rolled back to a specified recovery point (optional, as the latest recovery point is used by default).
 3. The replica will be connected to a new network (optional).
 4. The static IP address of the replica will be modified (optional).
 5. The source VM will be powered off (optional).
 6. The replica will be powered on.
 7. The replica will be switched to the Failover state.
- Site Recovery Job is executed in **production** mode as **Planned Failover** is being carried out:
 1. Replication from the source VM to the replica will be disabled.
 2. An incremental replication from the source VM to the replica will be run once.
 3. The source VM will be powered off.
 4. An incremental replication from the source VM to the replica will be run once more.
 5. The replica will be connected to a new network (optional).
 6. The static IP address of the replica will be modified (optional).
 7. The replica will be powered on.
 8. The replica will be switched to the Failover state.
- Site Recovery Job is executed in **test** mode:
 1. Replication from the source VM to the replica will be disabled.
 2. An incremental replication from the source VM to the replica will be run once.
 3. The replica will be connected to an isolated network (optional).

4. The static IP address of the replica will be modified (optional).
5. The replica will be powered on.
6. The replica will be switched to the Failover state.

If your Site Recovery Job contains a Failback action, the action will be executed as follows:

- Site Recovery Job is executed in the **production** mode:
 1. The source VM will be powered off (if it exists and is powered on).
 2. A protective snapshot of the source VM will be created.
 3. An incremental or full replication from the replica to the source VM will be run once.
 4. The replica will be powered off (optional).
 5. An incremental replication from replica to the source VM will be run once more.
 6. The source VM will be connected to a new network (optional).
 7. The static IP address of the source VM will be modified (optional).
 8. The source VM will be powered on.
- Site Recovery Job is executed in **test** mode:
 1. The source VM will be powered off (if it exists and is powered on).
 2. A protective snapshot of the source VM will be created.
 3. An incremental or full replication from replica to the source VM will be run once.
 4. The source VM will be connected to an isolated network (optional).
 5. The static IP address of the source VM will be modified (optional).
 6. The source VM will be powered on.

Cleanup of Site Recovery Job Testing

After executing a Site Recovery Job in test mode, the cleanup will be carried out as follows:

1. VMs that have been powered on during the Site Recovery Job testing will be powered off, and vice versa.
2. Repositories that have been attached during the Site Recovery Job testing will be detached, and vice versa.
3. Jobs that have been enabled during the Site Recovery Job testing will be disabled, and vice versa.
4. If the **Failover** action was part of the Site Recovery Job testing:
 - a. The replica will be powered off.
 - b. The replica will be reverted to the pre-Failover state via the snapshot.
 - c. The replica will be switched to the Normal state.
 - d. Replication from the source VM to the replica will be enabled.
5. If the **Failback** action was part of the Site Recovery Job testing:
 - a. The source VM will be removed (if it did not exist before the Site Recovery Job testing), or else:
 - b. The source VM will be reverted to the protective snapshot.

- c. The source VM will be powered on (if it exists and was powered off).
- d. The protective snapshot will be removed from the source VM.

Reliability

NAKIVO Backup & Replication employs various techniques to ensure that data is stored, transferred and recovered correctly and consistently.

This section contains the following topics :

- [“Application and Database Support” on page 40](#)
- [“Backup Immutability” on page 41](#)
- [“Backup Size Reduction” on page 43](#)
- [“Direct Connect” on page 47](#)
- [“Encryption in Flight and at Rest” on page 48](#)
- [“External Product Database Support” on page 49](#)
- [“Log Truncation” on page 50](#)
- [“Recovery Point Retention” on page 51](#)
- [“Self-Backup Feature” on page 54](#)
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- [“VM Verification” on page 57](#)

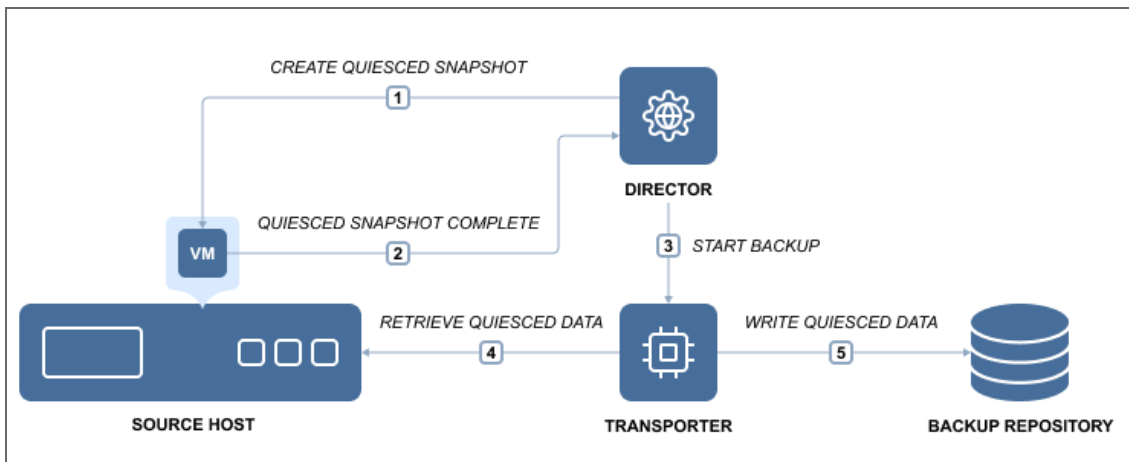
Application and Database Support

When you back up a VM that runs Active Directory, Microsoft SQL Server, Microsoft Exchange, or any other application or database, it is crucial to ensure that all data inside of those applications remain consistent in the backup. This is important because portions of data and some transactions kept in memory may be incomplete when the VM backup is made. If you take no actions to flush memory and I/O operations, the backups will be crash-consistent. It is similar to pulling the plug on a physical server and then powering it back on. Therefore, most modern applications and databases offer ways to recover from this state. However, in most cases you'll still need to spend some time on manual restore operations and run the risk of losing important data.

To ensure that all data is consistent in the backups, NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to use the application awareness feature which is called app-aware mode. To perform consistent backups and replicas of Windows-based environments, the product relies on the Microsoft Volume Shadow Copy (VSS) service running inside VMs. If your application is not VSS-aware or runs on Linux, it provides you with the ability to run [custom pre-freeze and post-thaw scripts](#) to enable application-consistent VM backup and replication. A pre-freeze script is executed before a snapshot of a VM is taken, and post-thaw script is executed after the snapshot has been taken.

With the app-aware mode turned on, your backups and replicas will contain consistent application and database data, so you won't need to take any extra configuration steps. As a result, you will be able to instantly recover not only full VMs, but also Microsoft Exchange and Active Directory objects, such as emails or users, directly from a compressed and deduplicated backup. If app-aware mode is disabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will create normal (standard) snapshots of source volumes instead of quiesced ones. In case of failure, the product will copy data directly from source volumes without displaying an error.

The app-aware mode can be enabled/disabled on the page of the backup and replication job wizard of all [supported platforms](#).



Backup Immutability

When creating a backup job and selecting the **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, generic S3-compatible storage, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage, or Local Folder** type of [Backup Repository](#), NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to make the recovery points in these repositories immutable. With immutability enabled, the recovery points are stored using the write-once-read-many (WORM) model. Immutability adds another layer of security to backups by protecting recovery points from encryption by ransomware or accidental deletions/modifications.

For the **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, generic S3-compatible storage, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, or Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage** type of Backup Repository, Object Lock or version-level immutability support should be enabled for the bucket or blob container used to store backups. This type of immutability cannot be shortened or lifted, not even by the root user.

With the **Local Folder** type of Backup Repository, immutable recovery points cannot be overwritten, deleted, or changed by anyone except the root user before the specified period expires.

When the **Local Folder** type of Backup Repository is deployed as part of a VMware vSphere, Nutanix AHV virtual appliance, or a pre-configured AMI in Amazon EC2, NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides an even higher level of ransomware protection. You can make recovery points stored in this type of repository immutable, and the immutability cannot be lifted or changed by anyone, not even the root user.

You can find more details on how to enable immutability in the following articles:

- [“Deploying VMware Virtual Appliance” on page 192](#)
- [“Deploying Nutanix AHV Virtual Appliance” on page 199](#)
- [“Deploying Amazon Machine Image in Amazon EC2” on page 207](#)
- [“Backup Job Wizard for VMware: Retention” on page 707](#)
- [“Backup Copy Job Wizard: Retention” on page 742](#)

For more details on the requirements for this feature, refer to [this page](#) in the User Guide.

Backup Malware Scan

With this feature, NAKIVO Backup & Replication can scan the selected backups for malware during the recovery process and perform specified actions if malware is detected.

When the feature is enabled, the product uses a supported antivirus software installed on a Repository Transporter or on a designated **Scan Server** added to the inventory to detect if malware is present in a backup.

You can find more details on how to enable recovery with malware detection in the following articles:

- [Adding Scan Servers](#)
- [Recovery Job Wizard for VMware: Options](#)
- [Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director: Options](#)

- [VMware vSphere Flash Boot Job Wizard: Options](#)
- [Universal Object Recovery Wizard: Options](#)

For more details on the requirements for this feature, refer to the [Feature Requirements](#).

Backup Size Reduction

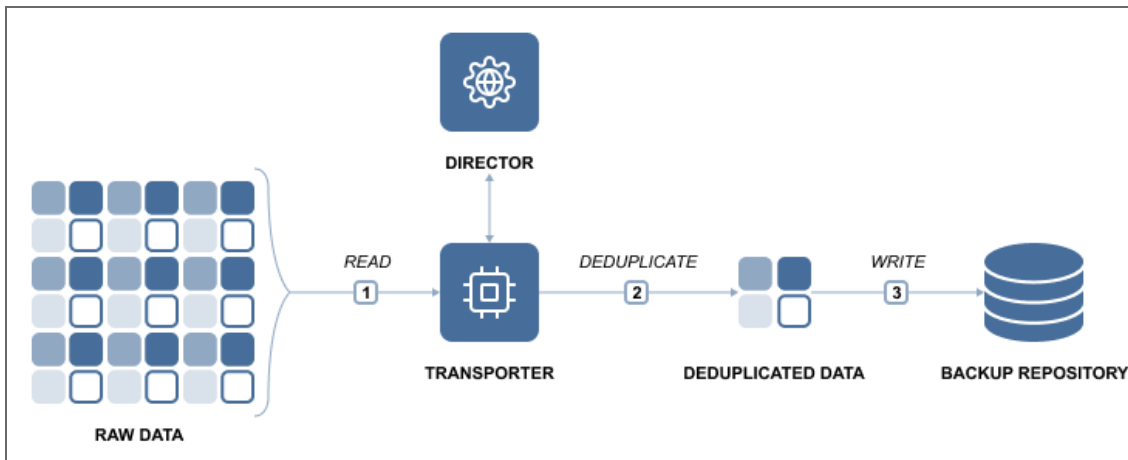
NAKIVO Backup & Replication utilizes multiple methods, such as deduplication and compression, to optimize the size of stored backups. The main purpose of these methods is to reach the correct balance between the amount of data read and transferred during backup.

This section contains the following topics:

- [“Global Data Deduplication” on page 44](#)
- [“Excluding Swap Files and Partitions” on page 45](#)
- [“Excluding Unused Blocks” on page 46](#)

Global Data Deduplication

Backup deduplication is a method for reducing backup size by excluding duplicate data blocks from the backup. In any given organization, VMs contain duplicates of data, such as VMs deployed from the same template, VMs with the same OS, and VMs that have some (semi) identical files, such as database entries. Block-level data deduplication enables you to reduce backup size by saving only unique data blocks to the Backup Repository while replacing duplicated blocks with references to existing ones.



NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically deduplicates all backups in a given forever-incremental Backup Repository if this feature is enabled. This means that all data blocks are taken into account by backup deduplication, even if you back up your VMware VMs, Hyper-V VMs, and Amazon EC2 instances to the same Backup Repository. Global deduplication can be enabled during Backup Repository creation process. You can also use hardware-based data deduplication device such as an EMC Data Domain instead of enabling it for the repository.

Note

The backup deduplication method can be enabled/disabled during the Backup Repository creation process. For details, refer to one of the [Creating Backup Repositories](#) sections.

VM backup deduplication can provide a 10X to 30X reduction in storage capacity requirements. For example, you have 10 VMs running Windows Server 2016, which occupies 10 GB each. While the total amount of data is 100 GB, only one copy of OS data (10 GB) will be written to a backup repository with data deduplication, which provides 10 to 1 storage space savings.

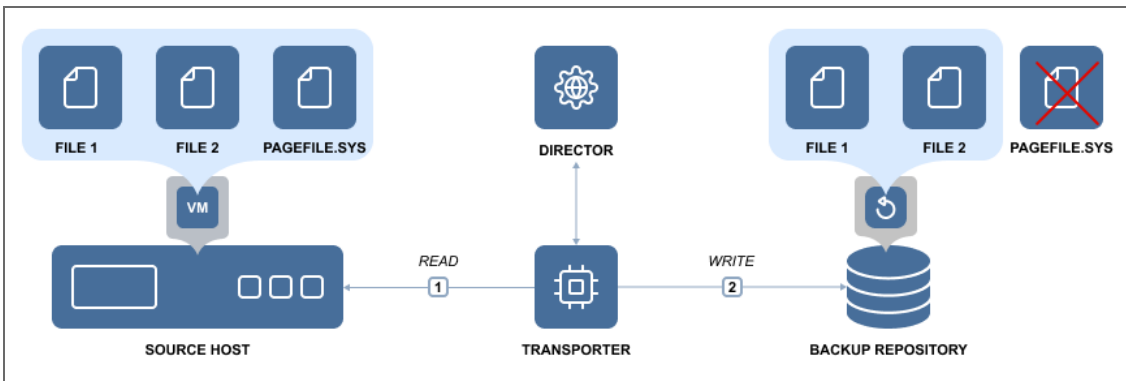
More efficient disk space utilization allows for storing more recovery points per VM backup. In addition, lower storage space requirements save money on direct storage costs (as fewer disks are needed to store the same amount of information) and on related costs (such as cooling, electricity, and maintenance).

Excluding Swap Files and Partitions

Swap files on Windows OS and swap partitions on Linux OS serve as “virtual memory” and store temporary runtime data that is not in use by RAM. Swap files and partitions improve OS performance: Once the physical memory is full, the OS can send less frequently used data to a swap file/partition and use the freed-up physical memory to perform high priority tasks. While this approach is great for OS and application performance, it has a negative effect on VM backup and replication.

The contents of the swap file change constantly, so each time you run a VM backup or VM replication, the swap file/partition is included in the backup/replica. Since the swap file can automatically grow up to 3x the size of RAM, gigabytes of unnecessary data are processed, transferred and stored each time you back up a VM. The impact of swap files and partitions on backup and replication is significant even in small environments. For example, if you run a backup for 10 VMs and each VM has just 2 GB of swap data, you will transfer and store: 10 VMs x 2 GB x 22 working days = 440 GB of useless data in one month alone.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically excludes swap files and partitions in VMware VMs, Hyper-V VMs, and Amazon EC2 instances, which results in faster and smaller backups and replicas. Note that the application-aware mode instructs applications and databases running inside VMs to flush their data from memory to disk, which means that all important data will be included in your VM backups and replicas. This option can be enabled on a per-job basis.



Excluding Unused Blocks

In addition to excluding swap files and partitions, NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to exclude unused disk blocks during the backup or replication process. This includes the following fragments within the file system:

- Never used volume area.
- File area used by deleted files (without hard reference).

Enabling this option reduces the size of backups and replicas, ensuring that only relevant data is copied.

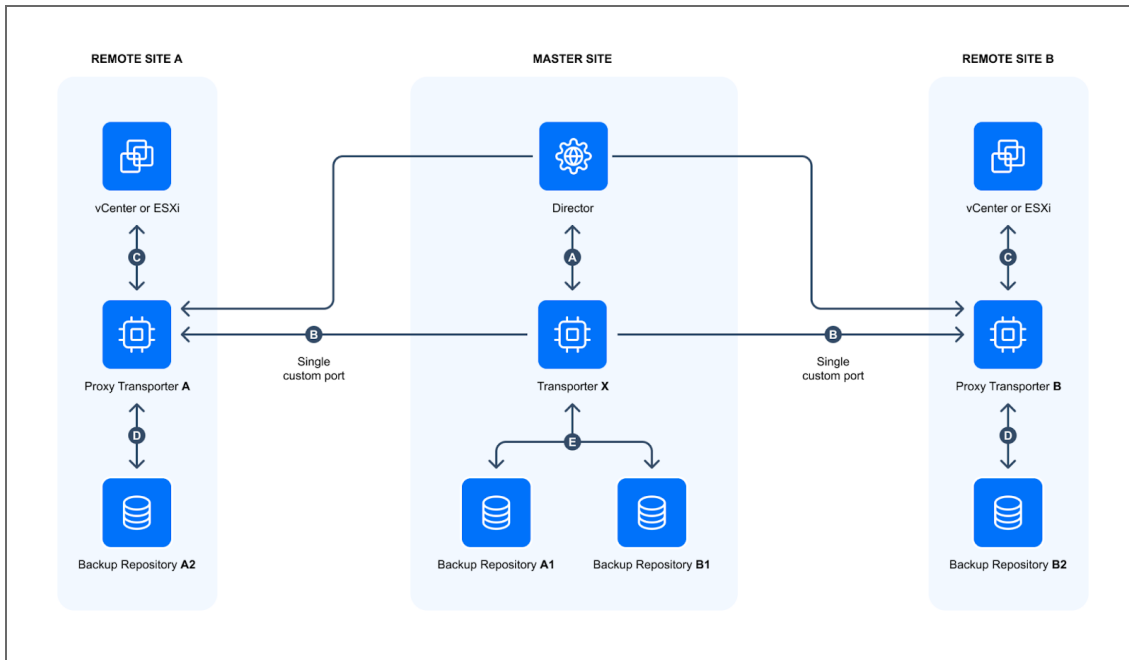
Excluding these blocks of data also means that less processing power and time are required for the workflow to finish.

This option can be configured on a per-job basis on the **Options** page of backup and replication jobs and is enabled by default. The feature supports processing source objects running on Windows OS. It is available for the NTFS file system.

Direct Connect

NAKIVO Backup & Replication now allows access to remote resources via a single port connection without the need to establish a VPN connection.

This feature is especially useful for MSPs providing services to remote clients in case having a persistent VPN connection between the MSP datacenter and the client site is not desired.

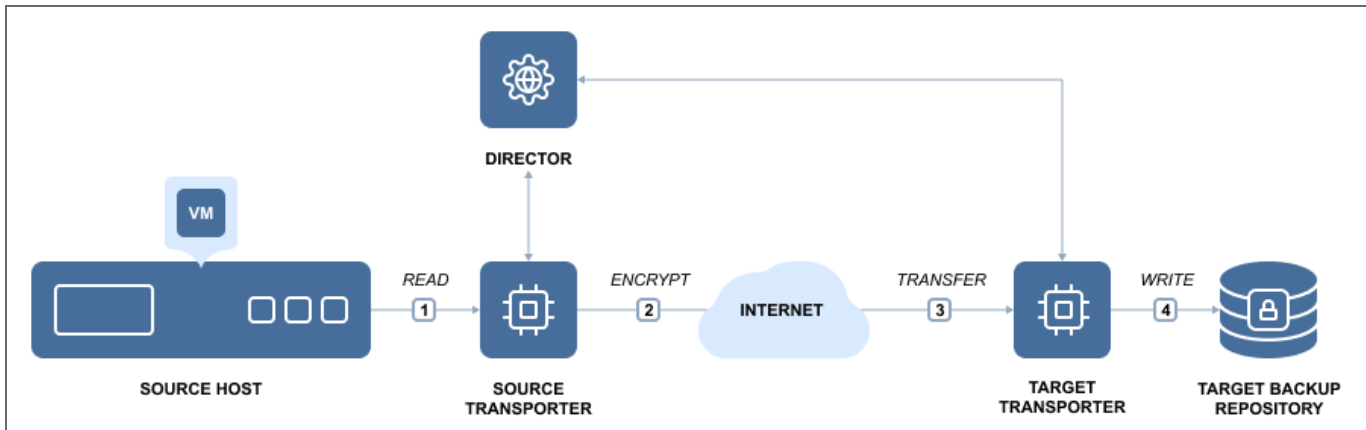


- **Proxy Transporter** (used within the context of this feature) - a Transporter deployed at a remote environment that has Direct Connect feature enabled.

The feature can be enabled by following the instructions in [this article](#). Additionally, make sure to check [feature requirements](#).

Encryption in Flight and at Rest

VM backup encryption uses a mathematical algorithm that transforms source information into a non-readable cipher text. The goal of VM backup encryption is to make your data unintelligible to unauthorized readers and impossible to decipher when attacked. VM backups that are sent over the Internet should be encrypted before the first bit leaves your organization and travels over the WAN (backup encryption in flight). If the destination is not secure, your data should remain encrypted as well (backup encryption at rest).



NAKIVO Backup & Replication uses AES 256 encryption to protect VM backups, which is the de facto worldwide encryption standard that secures online information and transactions by financial institutions, banks, and e-commerce sites.

- [VM Backup Encryption in Flight](#)
- [VM Backup Encryption at Rest](#)

VM Backup Encryption in Flight

VM backup encryption in flight is performed by a pair of Transporters. The Transporter is a component of NAKIVO Backup & Replication that performs all data protection and recovery tasks: data read, compression, deduplication, encryption, transfer, write, verification, granular and full VM recovery, and so on.

The source Transporter for the offsite backup encrypts and sends the encrypted data. The target Transporter receives and decrypts data. For example, when you back up VMs over the WAN to an offsite location, the Transporter installed in the source site compresses and encrypts VM data before transferring it over WAN. Then, the Transporter installed in the Target site receives and unencrypts the data prior to writing it to the Backup Repository.

VM Backup Encryption at Rest

It is equally important for the data at rest to be secured by encryption. NAKIVO Backup and Replication provides you with the ability to encrypt Backup Repositories so that backup data at rest, housed in the repository itself, is secure. You can set up encryption on the Options page of the repository creation wizard.

For details, refer to the following topics:

- [“Local Backup Repository” on page 533](#)
- [“Backup Repository on CIFS Share” on page 538](#)
- [“Backup Repository on NFS Share” on page 543](#)
- [“Backup Repository in Amazon EC2” on page 548](#)
- [“Backup Repository on Deduplication Appliance” on page 573](#)

External Product Database Support

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can use an external database for the [Director](#) instead of the built-in database. This feature can help you avoid corruption of the built-in database, which can sometimes occur in large environments. You can migrate the existing database to a supported external database at any time. The feature is available for both the single-tenant and the multi-tenant modes of the product. For more information, refer to the following articles:

- [Database Options](#)
- [Troubleshooting External Database Connection Issues](#)

Log Truncation

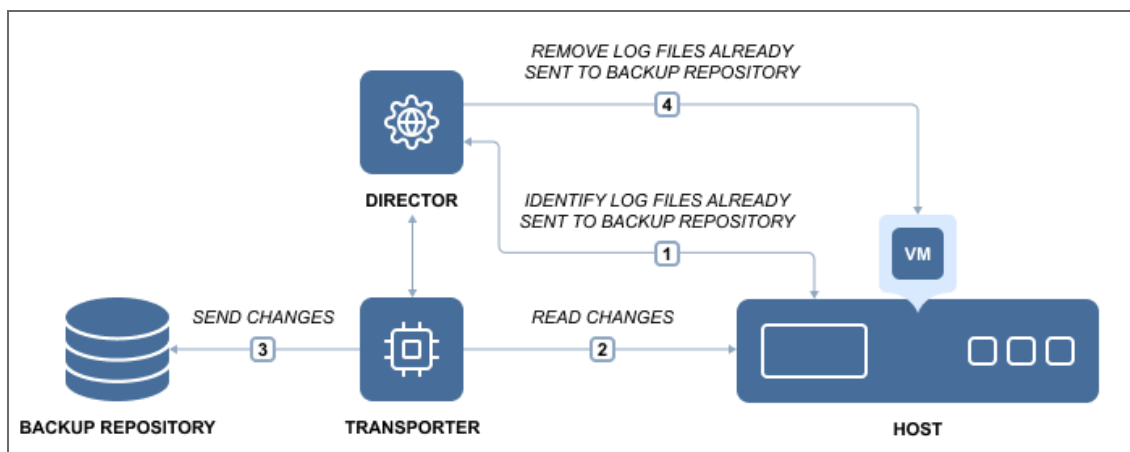
With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can remove (truncate) transaction log files of Microsoft Exchange and Microsoft SQL servers which will allow you to reduce the size of backups and, as a result, to optimize the use of storage space. Log truncation can be enabled on the **Options** page of backup and replication jobs.

- [Microsoft Exchange Server Log Truncation](#)
- [Microsoft SQL Server Log Truncation](#)

Microsoft Exchange Log Truncation

Microsoft Exchange is the industry's leading platform for email, calendaring, and messaging services. To protect data from undesired deletion or modification, each change that is made to a Microsoft Exchange server database is recorded in transaction logs. These logs can be replayed to recover data that was removed or changed in the database. While this approach improves data protection, it has a downside. Since the Microsoft Exchange database is constantly changing (as data is written and removed in the database), transaction logs grow over time. If not periodically removed, they will eventually fill up the disk and may crash the entire server.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can create consistent backups of VMware and Hyper-V VMs as well as remove transaction log files of Microsoft Exchange 2013, 2016, and 2019 servers. After creating a successful backup, NAKIVO Backup & Replication connects to your Microsoft Exchange server, identifies which transaction log files have already been written to the database and removes or truncates those log files.



As a result, NAKIVO Backup & Replication creates regular, application-consistent backups of your Microsoft Exchange server and also removes the transaction log files so they don't consume all free disk space on the server.

Microsoft SQL Server Log Truncation

Any Microsoft SQL server tracks all database transactions (modifications) completed by the server and records them to the transaction logs. Transaction log files (identified with the .ldf extension) are very important, as they are used to ensure database integrity and allow restoring data by replaying the changes. However, these files grow over time and can eventually fill all the free space. This may result in the Microsoft SQL Server crash, or loss of valuable data. That is where Transaction Log Truncation might help.

On one hand, you need to keep the transaction logs, so you can recover Microsoft SQL Server data in case any data deletion, undesired modification, or corruption occurs. On the other hand, you need to remove transaction logs to save space, but without any transaction records you will be unable to successfully recover, should any unpredictable situation occur.

The best practice is to first back up the whole VMware or Hyper-V VM running Microsoft SQL Server and all log files stored therein, and then delete or truncate those files on the source VM freeing up the storage space.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports transaction log truncation for Microsoft SQL Server 2008 and later. The product follows the best practice of performing the log truncation process while ensuring ease of use and simplicity. NAKIVO Backup & Replication can automatically truncate transaction log files after successful VM backup and replication. All you need to do is just set it and forget it.

To free up the VM storage space, NAKIVO Backup & Replication performs the following operations:

- Backs up/replicates the entire VMware or Hyper-V VM running Microsoft SQL Server.
- After completing a successful backup/replication, identifies Microsoft SQL Server transaction log files, which were already committed to the database.
- Truncates (deletes) the committed transaction log files on the source VM, thus freeing up storage space.

Consequently, you get a VM backup/replica with all transaction log files. Even though the backed up log files can be pretty large, NAKIVO Backup & Replication easily reduces the size of the VM backup by using backup deduplication and compression features. In its turn, the original VM is left logs-free and can be recovered at a certain recovery point using the aforementioned VM backup/replica, should something go wrong.

Recovery Point Retention

After each job run, NAKIVO Backup & Replication creates a recovery point for each VM, object, instance, machine, or account in a **Backup Repository**. A recovery point represents the backup of the respective source as of a particular moment in time and allows you to recover individual files, application objects, or the entire VM/object/instance/machine/account from the **Backup Repository**.

Legacy Retention Approach

With the legacy retention method, NAKIVO Backup & Replication offers Grand-Father-Son (GFS) retention. This method allows you to save storage space while retaining the recovery points for any period that you need with the following options:

- Retain a specified number of last recovery points: after the specified number of recovery points in the backup repository is exceeded, the oldest recovery point is deleted.
- Retain one recovery point for a specified period of time: one recovery point is stored for the specified period of time, after which this recovery point is deleted.
- Make new recovery points immutable: this option sets an immutability flag on new recovery points, preventing their deletion or modification for a specified period of time.

The screenshot shows the 'Retention' tab in the NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface. The 'Retention Settings' section includes the following options:

- Keep 10 last recovery points
- Keep one recovery point per day for 10 days
- Keep one recovery point per week for 4 weeks
- Keep one recovery point per month for 12 months
- Keep one recovery point per year for 3 years

There is a [Learn more](#) link below the retention settings.

The 'Immutability' section includes the following option:

- Make new recovery points immutable for 2 days

Schedule Retention Approach

With the schedule retention method, NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to set retention settings directly in the scheduling step of the job creation/editing process. This method allows you to set multiple schedules at chosen intervals for one job. These schedules can each be configured with their own retention settings with the “**Keep backups for**” option. This method is available for all backup and backup copy jobs with the exception of Oracle database backups.

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With schedule retention settings, you can set up a clear recovery point retention policy for each job schedule and time interval. For example, if you set one job schedule to “**Keep backups for: 3 days**” and the job runs every weekday at noon, then a recovery point created with this schedule on a Monday will expire at noon on that Thursday. To ensure timely removal, NAKIVO Backup & Replication performs hourly status checks of all recovery points and deletes those that have expired.

Note

Recovery points created with or migrated to the scheduler retention scheme are given expiration dates.

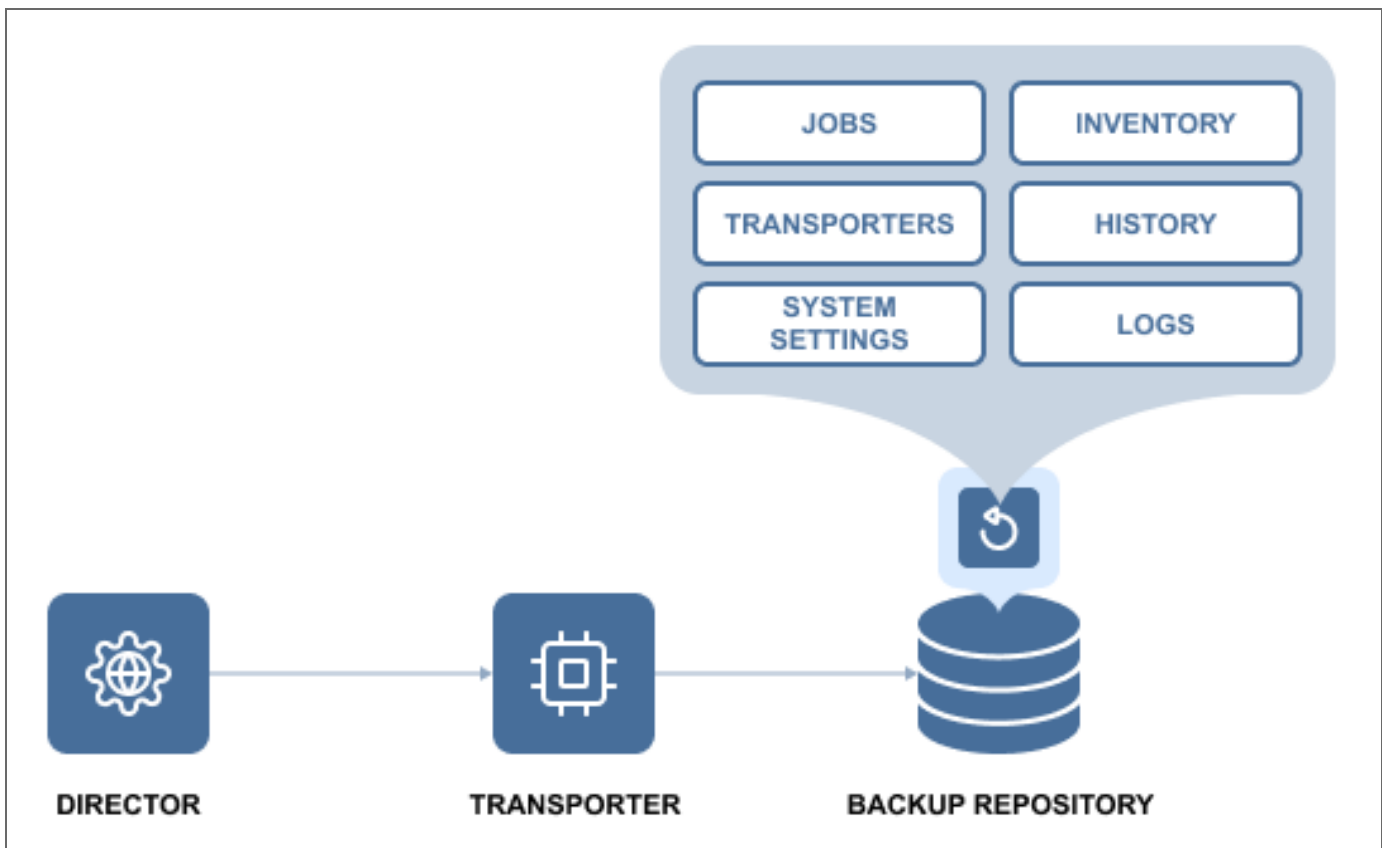
- To view the expiration dates and other details of recovery points created with this approach, refer to [“Viewing Backup Repository Details” on page 602](#).
- To learn more about how expiration dates are assigned to recovery points, refer to [this article in the Knowledge Base](#).

Self-Backup Feature

The Self-Backup feature provides automated protection of everything you have configured in NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

A truly complete data protection solution needs to back up not only your VMs, but also itself. There are good reasons for that. For example, the VM running the product may become corrupted, struck by a virus attack, or accidentally deleted. Regardless of the cause, you will need to restore the disrupted product as quickly as possible. Fortunately, a new instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication can be installed in less than one minute. However, you will still need to restore the product configuration (such as jobs). Also, you do not want to lose the backup history. To save you time, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically backs up the entire configuration, including all jobs, inventory, information about connected **Transporters, Backup Repositories** and other.

The Self-Backup feature is enabled by default, and NAKIVO Backup & Replication sends daily self-backups to the first five backup repositories available in the product. Each self-backup is kept for five days, by default. Should you like to, you can fine-tune the backup targets, schedule, and retention policy.



If you accidentally make some undesired changes in the product, you can easily roll back to a previous system state from the backup. Migrating the system configuration to a new product instance is simple: just install a new copy of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, import a **Backup Repository** that contains a self-backup, and select a recovery point. The previous product configuration is restored along with all settings. The Self-Backup feature saves you time and brings you peace of mind, ensuring reliable protection of everything you configure in NAKIVO Backup & Replication. For information on the Self-Backup configuration, refer to [“Self-Backup” on page 380](#).

Two-Factor Authentication

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to add an additional layer of security with two-factor authentication (2FA). By enabling 2FA, you add another step to the user login process to prevent malicious access to the solution and the organization's backup data. User authentication requires entering a code generated in one of the following ways:

- A code generated by the Google Authenticator mobile app
- A code sent to the specified email address
- One of the single-use backup codes

You can find more information in the following articles:

- [“Logging in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication” on page 289](#)
- [“Configuring Two-Factor Authentication” on page 430](#)

VM Verification

VM verification is a process of checking the integrity of a backup or replica by booting a VM from a backup or starting a replica and interacting with it. With the VM verification feature, you have proof that your VM backups or replicas are usable, and can rest assured that your VMs can be recovered in case of disaster. VM backups and replicas can be corrupted or not bootable, even if the data protection software performed properly. The worst time to find out that your backup is bad is when your VM is down. If you don't have backup copies or VM replicas at an offsite location, you are left without any viable means of quickly restoring business processes.

VM verification involves the following entities:

- **Source Object:** Backup recovery point or replica recovery point which is used as a source of data for VM verification.
- **Target Object:** An entity that is subject to VM verification. It can be a replica or a temporary VM created via [Flash boot](#).
- **Guest OS Agent:** An entity in the target object which allows remote interaction with the guest OS of this object (VMware Tools for VMware vSphere; Hyper-V integration services for Microsoft Hyper-V). Guest OS agent is required to be installed on the target object in order to perform VM verification.

There are two VM verification methods:

- **Boot Verification:** Verifying the target VM via starting target VM and checking whether hypervisor tools are running.
- **Screenshot Verification:** Verifying the target VM via starting the target VM and taking a screenshot of the VM screen.

To verify VMware and Hyper-V backups, NAKIVO Backup & Replication relies on the Flash boot feature. After a VM backup job has completed the data transfer, the product performs the following actions:

1. Instantly runs the VM from the newly created backup (with networking turned off).
2. Waits until the OS has booted.
3. Checks if guest OS agents are run successfully (if Boot Verification is selected).
4. Makes a screenshot of a running VM (If Screenshot Verification is selected).
5. Discards the test-recovered VM.

You can view the results of the verification procedure in the Dashboard or choose to receive an email report. VM verification, being an option for the jobs listed below, can be run on demand or scheduled to run automatically, saving you time and effort. VM verification option is available for the following jobs:

- [VMware VM Backup Job](#)
- [VMware VM Replication Job](#)
- [VMware Flash boot Job](#)
- [Backup Copy Job](#)

Performance

A backup process can handle a huge amount of data, thus it is imperative to ensure that the data flow is efficient, and every resource used in the backup process is optimized. NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides the following techniques to increase performance:

- [“Advanced Bandwidth Throttling” on page 59](#)
- [“Backup from HPE 3PAR, HPE Nimble, HPE Primera, and HPE Alletra Storage Snapshots” on page 63](#)
- [“Deduplication Appliance Support” on page 65](#)
- [“Full Synthetic Data Storage” on page 67](#)
- [“Incremental Jobs” on page 69](#)
- [“Jobs and Concurrent Tasks” on page 70](#)
- [“LAN-Free Data Transfer” on page 71](#)
- [“Network Acceleration” on page 74](#)

Advanced Bandwidth Throttling

NAKIVO Backup & Replication was designed to transfer data at the maximum available speeds for the purposes of completing VM backup, replication, and recovery jobs as quickly as possible. However, if you run data protection jobs during business hours, your LAN or WAN networks risk being overloaded. This can affect the performance of applications and degrade user experience (think of email messages taking too long to be sent, excessive load times for websites, etc.). NAKIVO Backup & Replication addresses this issue with the flexible Advanced Bandwidth Throttling feature. With Advanced Bandwidth Throttling, you can set limits for your data protection jobs and make sure they don't take more bandwidth than you can afford to allocate.

Advanced Bandwidth Throttling allows you to set global rules that limit the data transfer speeds of your backup processes. Such rules can apply to different jobs and on different schedules. For instance, you can create a global rule preventing your backup jobs from consuming more than 50 MByte/s during business hours, but leave the bandwidth unrestricted for Sunday backups. You can also create bandwidth throttling rules on a per-job basis, if you want to have more granular control over the whole process. Individual limits override global rules, sparing you the need to adjust the global rule for every job.

The Advanced Bandwidth Throttling feature of NAKIVO Backup & Replication is an effective means of optimizing backup operations and controlling your network traffic. With global and individual limits on data transfer speeds, the feature can help you ensure the performance of your business applications is never affected by backup workloads – even if you have little bandwidth to spare. With bandwidth rules, usage of LAN/WAN bandwidth by NAKIVO Backup & Replication jobs may be restricted to a specific amount. For more information, refer to the following sections:

- [About Bandwidth Rules](#)
- [Distributing Bandwidth Between Tasks](#)

About Bandwidth Rules

A bandwidth rule specifies the bandwidth amount that can be used by one job, by multiple jobs, or by all applicable job. When a job containing multiple VMs starts running with a bandwidth rule active, the rule divides bandwidth between tasks.

Bandwidth rules are applicable to the following types of NAKIVO Backup & Replication jobs:

- Backup Job
- Backup Copy Job
- Replication Job (except for Amazon EC2)
- Recovery Job
- Replica Failback (except for Amazon EC2)

Bandwidth rules may be always active, active on schedule, or disabled. Refer to [“Bandwidth Throttling” on page 355](#) for more details.

A bandwidth rule can be:

- **Global Rule** – a bandwidth rule applied to all applicable Jobs.
- **Per Job Rule** – a bandwidth rule only applied to specific Jobs.

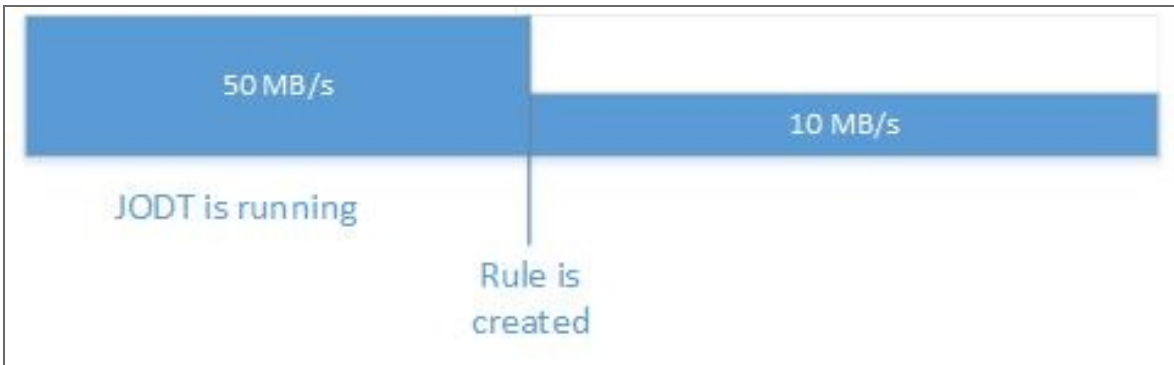
Per Job rules have higher priority than **Global Rules**. A per job rule will be applied to the job when both the per job rule and a global rule are active for the same job.

Bandwidth rules (up to 100 rules can be created and enforced at the level of a Single-tenant product / Tenant of Multi-tenant product) are applied at the Transporter level, stored at the Director, and enforced while starting processing of a specific job object that falls into the limits of the current rules. Bandwidth rules can be enabled/disabled individually.

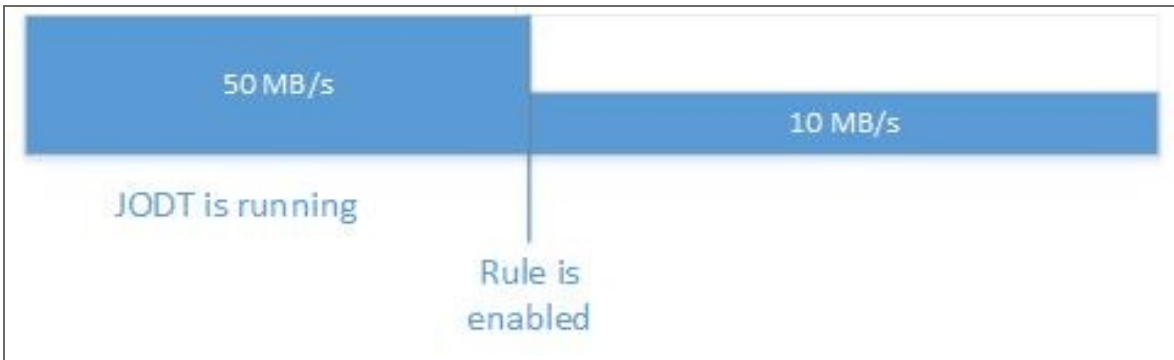
When enabled, the rule can limit bandwidth of JODTs that are covered by this rule.

Note
Job Object Data Transfer (JODT) is a step of a single job object processing which transfers data of the job object from the source endpoint to the target endpoint.

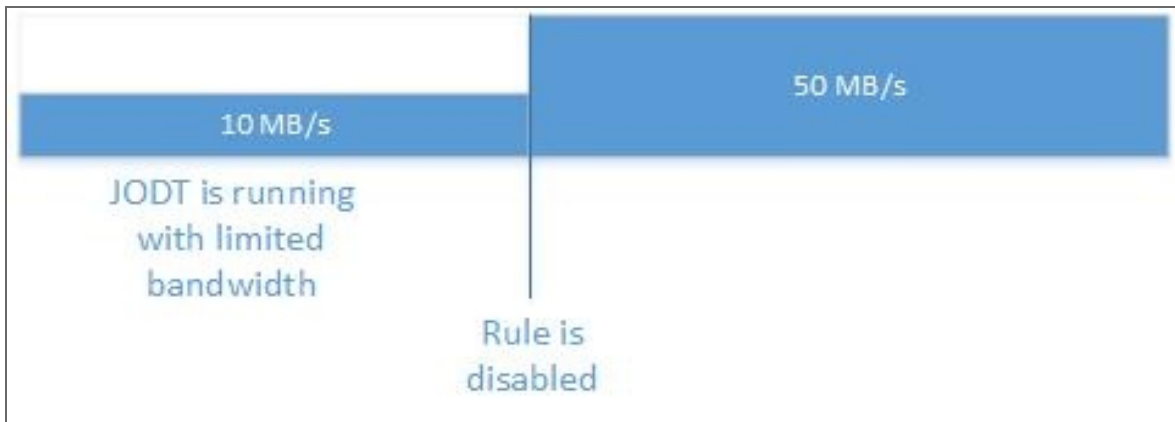
In case a JODT is running and the rule is created that applies to this JODT, the JODT will get the bandwidth allowed by the rule (for example 10 Mbit/s).



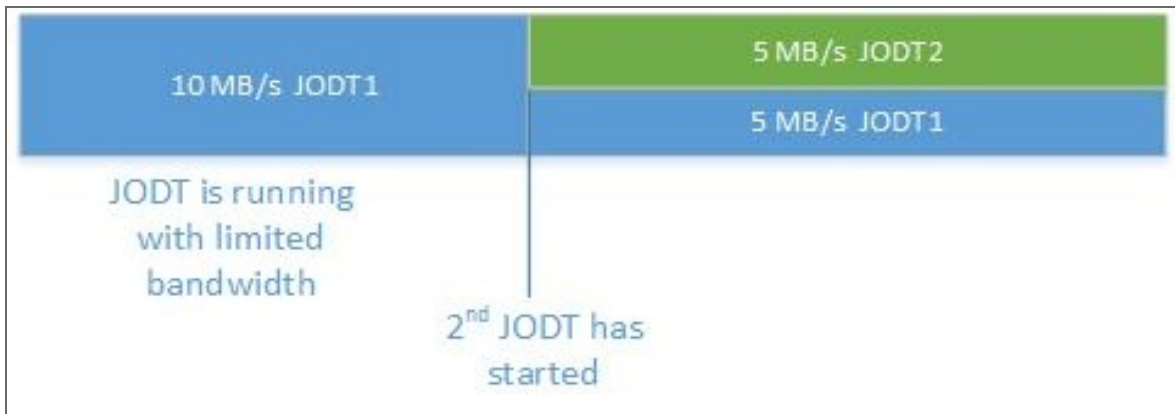
In case a JODT is running and the rule is enabled that applies to this JODT, the JODT will get the bandwidth allowed by the rule (for example 10 Mbit/s).



In case a JODT is running with limited bandwidth, the rule is disabled that applies to this JODT, and there are no other rules applying to this JODT, the JODT will get unlimited bandwidth.



In case a JODT is running with the limited bandwidth and another JODT is started covered by the same rule, the bandwidth allowed by the rule will be equally split between JODTs (for example 5 Mbit/s for the first JODT, and 5 Mbit/s for the second JODT).



In case a JODT is running with the limited bandwidth and another JODT is started covered by the same rule, the second JODT will start only after it gets the sub-capacity of the bandwidth allowed by the rule.

In case two JODTs are running with limited bandwidth and one of them has completed/failed/stopped, the bandwidth assigned to the completed/failed/stopped JODT will be freed, and the remaining JODT will get the entire bandwidth allowed by the rule.



In case a JODT is running and more than one rule is created that applies to this JODT, the bandwidth rule with the lowest bandwidth allocation will be applied.

In case there are multiple global rules – and no per job bandwidth rules,– the global rule with the lowest bandwidth allocation will be applied.

Distributing Bandwidth Between Tasks

To illustrate distribution of bandwidth between tasks, one can take an example case with a single bandwidth rule of 30 Mbit/s that is used by Job A, Job B, and Job C.

Job A that has 7 VMs with one disk each (7 tasks in total) starts running with the 30 Mbit/s bandwidth rule activated as follows:

1. The bandwidth amount is split into 30 chunks 1 Mbit/s each.
2. The Transporter used by Job A can run 4 concurrent tasks at the maximum so Tasks A1, A2, A3, A4 are selected for processing by the Transporter.

Note

The Transporter can process a **limited number** of concurrent tasks.

3. The product starts distributing bandwidth chunks to tasks one by one. Each task receives 7 chunks that are equally distributed.
4. The remaining bandwidth is distributed from the start of the queue, so that the Tasks A1 and A2 receive an extra chunk each.
5. Tasks A1, A2, A3, A4 start running.
6. When Task A1 finishes execution, it frees 8 x 1Mbit/s chunks.
7. Task A5 starts execution, using the 8 available chunks.
8. When Tasks A2 and A3 finish execution, it frees 15 x 1 Mbit/s chunks.
9. Tasks A6 and A7 start running, using the 15 available chunks and 8 chunks are allocated to Task A6 and 7 chunks to Task A7.

At this point, the rule changes the bandwidth rule limit from 30Mbit/s to 80 Mbit/s and the Transporter starts distributing bandwidth as follows:

Job B consisting of two VMs with one disk each (2 tasks in total) starts running with the 80 Mbit/s bandwidth rule below:

1. The bandwidth amount is split into 80 chunks 1 Mbit/s each.
2. The Transporter used by Job B can run 10 concurrent tasks at the maximum.
3. However, 30Mbit/s (30 chunks) are already being used by Job A tasks, so 30 of 80 chunks cannot be used at the moment (as you cannot assign part of a chunk) so, only 50 chunks are available.
4. The product starts distributing bandwidth chunks to tasks one by one and Tasks B1 and B2 are allocated with 25 chunks each.

5. Tasks A4 and A5 finish execution, it frees 15 x 1Mbit/s chunks, but there are no queued tasks, so the bandwidth is left idle.

At this point, the bandwidth rule limit changes back to 30 Mbit/s.

The bandwidth rule is now activated for another job, Job C, that consists of one VM with one disk, so the Transporter starts distributing the bandwidth as follows:

1. The bandwidth amount of 30Mbit/s is split into 30 chunks 1 Mbit/s each.
2. The Transporter used by Job C can run 10 concurrent tasks at the maximum.
3. The currently running tasks occupy 65Mbit/s of the bandwidth, which is the 65 x 1Mbit chunks (with 35Mbit/s over the limit). Therefore, there is no free bandwidth for Task C1.
4. Tasks A6 and A7 finish execution, it frees 15 Mbit/s of the bandwidth. But the bandwidth rule limit is still exceeded by 20 Mbit/s, therefore, there is still no free bandwidth to start Task C1.
5. Task B1 finishes execution, it frees 25 Mbit/s of the bandwidth. The rule is now using 25 Mbit/s by Task B2 and 5 Mbit/s are available.
6. Task C1 is assigned with 5 x 1Mbit/s chunks and starts execution.

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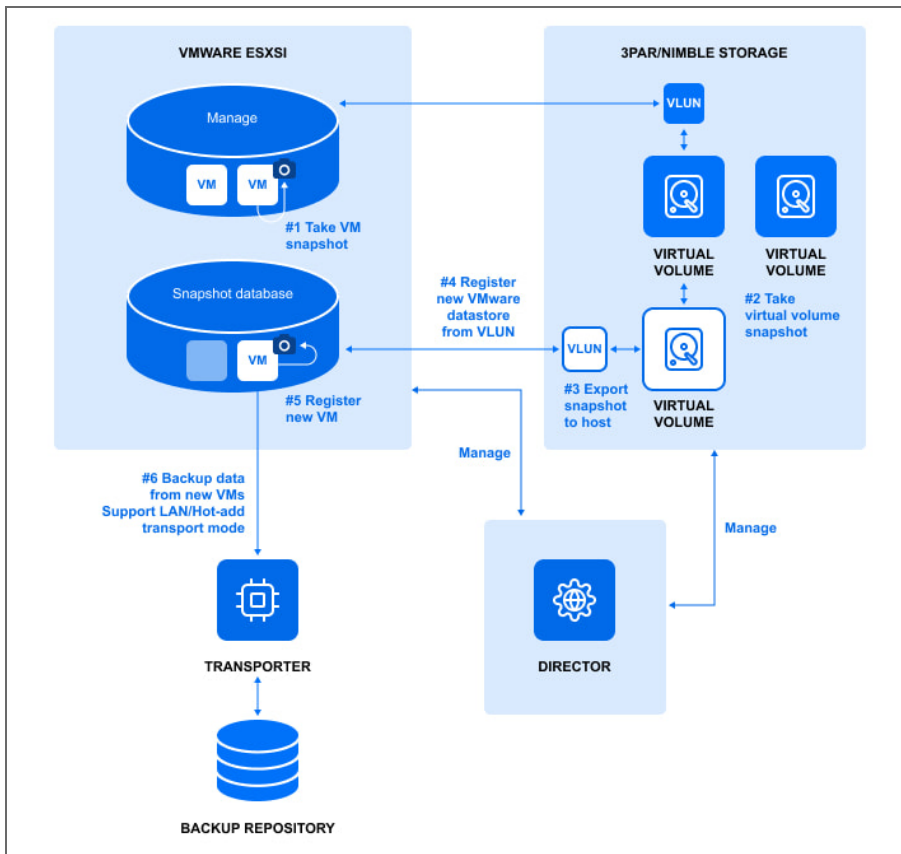
Jobs and tasks may wait for a long time until bandwidth is available for them to start.

Backup from HPE 3PAR, HPE Nimble, HPE Primera, and HPE Alletra Storage Snapshots

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to use HPE 3PAR, HPE Nimble, HPE Primera, and HPE Alletra storage devices to back up from storage snapshots. This backup approach offers advantages when your VMs are processing large amounts of data while being backed up. The backup from storage snapshot process includes the following steps:

1. A VM snapshot is created.
2. Soon after, a storage snapshot is created.
3. The VM snapshot is removed.

The VM snapshot only exists for a short period of time because the storage snapshot takes a small amount of time to be created, and it contains all required data for performing VM backup (delta and CBT data). A storage snapshot can be created within seconds, and it consumes a small amount of space which, in turn, reduces the impact of backup activities on the production environment and improves RPOs.



To back up from HPE 3PAR/Nimble/Primera/Alletra storage snapshots, do the following:

1. Add the [HPE 3PAR](#), [HPE Nimble](#), [HPE Primera](#), or [HPE Alletra](#) storage device to the Inventory.
2. During [VMware Backup Job creation](#), add VMs that have their disks residing on the supported HPE 3PAR/Nimble/Primera/HPE Alletra storage devices.
3. Enable **Backup from storage snapshot** on the **Options** page of the backup job wizard.
4. Complete the wizard and run the job.

Deduplication Appliance Support

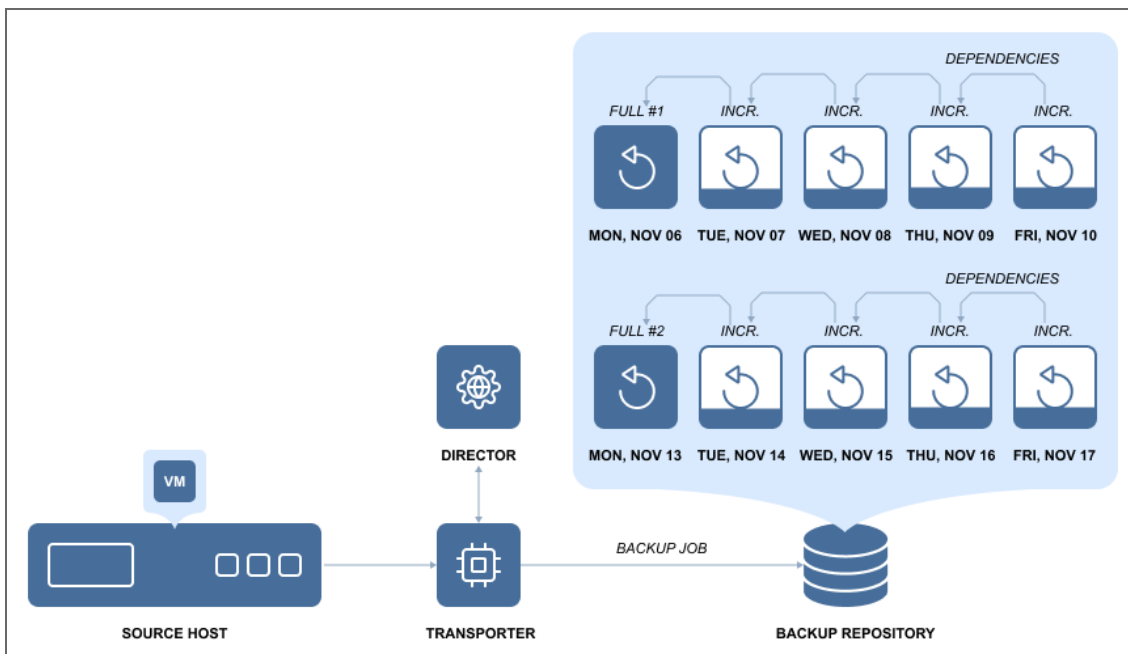
Deduplication appliances are solutions that implement specialized data reduction techniques to eliminate duplicate copies of repeated data. Deduplication appliances are leveraged across a range of data protection solutions, regardless of whether network-attached storage, disk, and/or tape is used. The biggest advantage of deduplication appliances is their ability to reduce datastore space used – sometimes by ratios of 20:1 or more.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports integration with deduplication appliances. For details, refer to the following sections:

- [NAKIVO Optimization for Deduplication Appliances](#)
- [Deduplication Appliance Configuration Details](#)

NAKIVO Optimization for Deduplication Appliances

NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides a special type of Backup Repository (stream repository) optimized for high performance with deduplication appliances. With this type of Backup Repository, NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports virtually any type of deduplication appliance as a primary or a secondary backup destination. The architecture of such Backup Repository is based on sequential block write operations through a restricted number of data streams and storing backup blocks in dedicated data files. Data blocks are stored in incremental backup files and full backup files. This means that the repository stores VM backup chains consisting of periodic full backups and several increments between these full backups.



In terms of integration with deduplication appliances, a stream repository:

- Creates fewer data streams in read/write operations during VM backup and recovery.
- Does not leverage the global data deduplication feature of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Deduplication Appliance Configuration Details

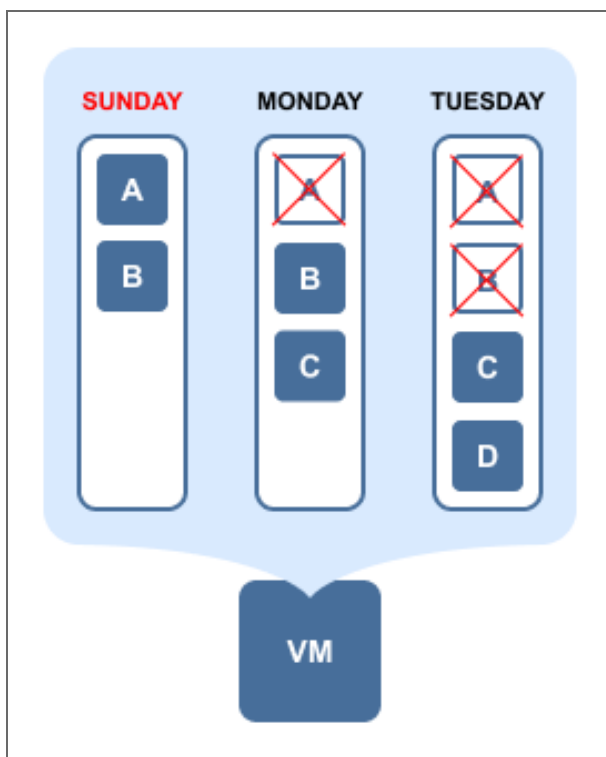
When a Backup Repository is [created](#) on a deduplication appliance, NAKIVO's built-in data deduplication functionality is disabled. Additionally, the incremental-with-full-backups option is enabled by default. This configuration ensures that no extra resources are spent for double deduplication and [reclaiming repository space](#) is not required.

Full Synthetic Data Storage

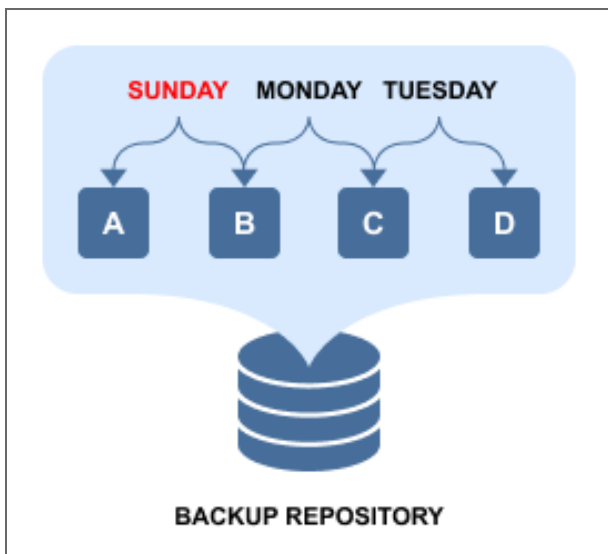
With **forever incremental** (**Store backups in separate files** option is not selected) Backup Repositories, NAKIVO Backup & Replication uses the full synthetic mode to store backups: all unique data blocks are stored in a single pool, while recovery points serve as references to the data blocks that are required to reconstruct a machine at a particular moment in time.

Example

You run the first backup of a VM on Sunday. For the sake of simplicity, let's say that the VM consists only of 2 data blocks: A and B. Then on Monday, you run an incremental backup, which finds that the block A has been deleted, but a new block C has been added. Then on Tuesday, the incremental backup finds that the block B has been deleted and a new block D has been added. Here's how the VM would look like during the three days:



And here's how the data will be stored in the **forever incremental** (**Store backups in separate files** option is not selected) **Backup Repository** if the job is set to keep 3 or more recovery points:



As you can see from above, each unique data block is stored only once to save space, while recovery points are just references to data blocks that are required to reconstruct the VM as of a particular moment in time. If, for example, you delete Monday's recovery point, then no actual data removal will occur, as its data blocks (B and C) are required for recovery points of Sunday and Tuesday. If, on the other hand, you change the recovery point retention policy to keep only the last two recovery points (Mon and Tues in our case), then only block A will be deleted, as it's not being used anywhere else.

The full synthetic data storage approach provides a number of benefits:

- **Smaller backups:** Unique data blocks are stored only once and can be referenced by multiple recovery points, as opposed to storing the same data again in different increments.
- **Faster backups:** There is no need to run full backups periodically or transform legacy increments into virtual full backups, as each recovery point already "knows" which data blocks should be used to reconstruct an entire machine.
- **Safer backups:** With a legacy incremental backup approach, losing one increment in a chain means losing the entire chain of recovery points after that increment. With NAKIVO Backup & Replication losing a data block or an increment (such as A or B in the example above) can still leave you with recoverable increments.
- **Faster recovery:** A legacy incremental backup consists of a chain of increments that you must apply one by one in order to get to a particular machine state. With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, each recovery point already "knows" which data blocks should be used to reconstruct an entire machine.

Incremental Jobs

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to create in incremental backup and replication jobs. For more information refer to:

- [Backup Jobs](#)
- [Replication Jobs](#)

Backup Jobs

- When a **forever incremental (Store backups in separate files** option is not selected) Backup Repository is utilized as a destination, the full backup will be performed only on the first backup job run. All consequent job runs will send only changed data (increments) to the Backup Repository. This approach reduces backup time and network load. For example, if NAKIVO Backup & Replication determines that the amount of data that has been changed on a 100 GB VM is just 1 MB, only 1 MB of data will be transferred to the Backup Repository, but the created recovery point will reference all data blocks (from previous job runs) which are required to restore the entire 100 GB VM. With this approach, each recovery point "knows" all data blocks that are needed for recovery, so there is no need to apply increments one by one to get to a particular point or periodically transform backed up data blocks.
- When an **incremental with full backups (Store backups in separate files** option is selected) Backup Repository is utilized as a destination, NAKIVO Backup & Replication performs a full backup on the first backup job run. Consequently, NAKIVO Backup & Replication runs incremental backups and periodically creates full backups according to the specified settings. Every VM backed up to said Backup Repository will produce full backup files and incremental backup files.

Replication Jobs

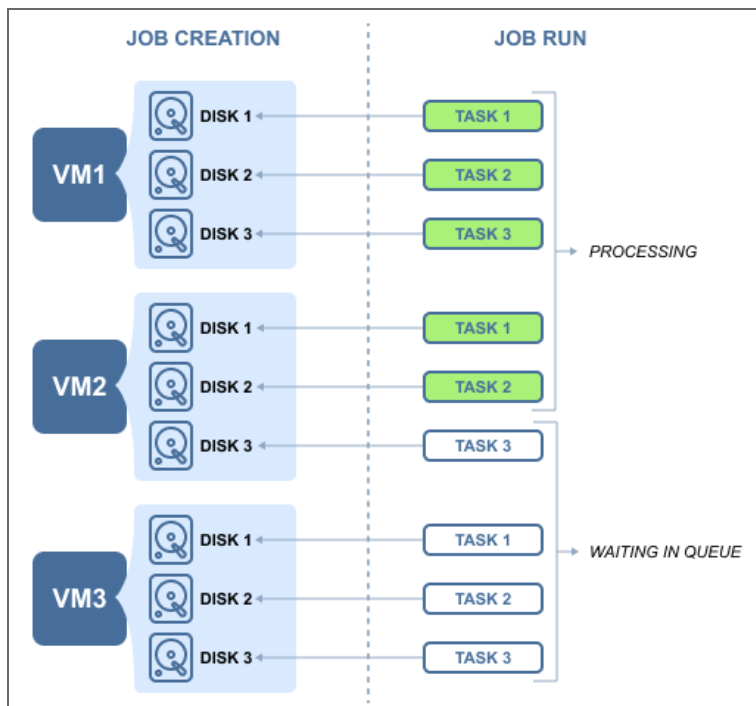
Replication jobs in NAKIVO Backup & Replication are forever incremental. This means that after the initial full replication, all subsequent job runs will send only changed data (increments) to the replica. This approach reduces the replication time and network load. For example, if NAKIVO Backup & Replication determines that the amount of changed data on a 100 GB VM constitutes just 1 MB, only 1 MB of data will be transferred to the replica VM.

Jobs and Concurrent Tasks

Job is a data protection activity that is performed by NAKIVO Backup & Replication in accordance with a distinct configuration. These are the main types of NAKIVO Backup & Replication jobs:

- Backup jobs
- Replication jobs
- Recovery Jobs

In NAKIVO Backup & Replication, a job can have one or more job objects to process. Depending on your preferences, job objects may be reordered for processing within a job. See the example below.



Each job object may consist of one or more machine disks, Oracle databases, Exchange Online mailboxes, OneDrive for Business instances or SharePoint Online sites that have to be processed within a job run. Data processing that is related to a specific VM disk or service constitutes a single task, in the scope of the corresponding job. Such tasks are processed by a [Transporter](#). For the sake of managing the load over the infrastructure, any Transporter is configured to process a limited number of concurrent tasks. When a task is processed, the Transporter starts processing another task if available. A task can be one disk, file or recovery session, Oracle database, Exchange Online mailbox, OneDrive instance, or a SharePoint Online site. By default, NAKIVO Backup & Replication is set to process 6 concurrent tasks per one Transporter. Refer to [“Editing Nodes” on page 516](#) to learn how to change the Transporter maximum load.

LAN-Free Data Transfer

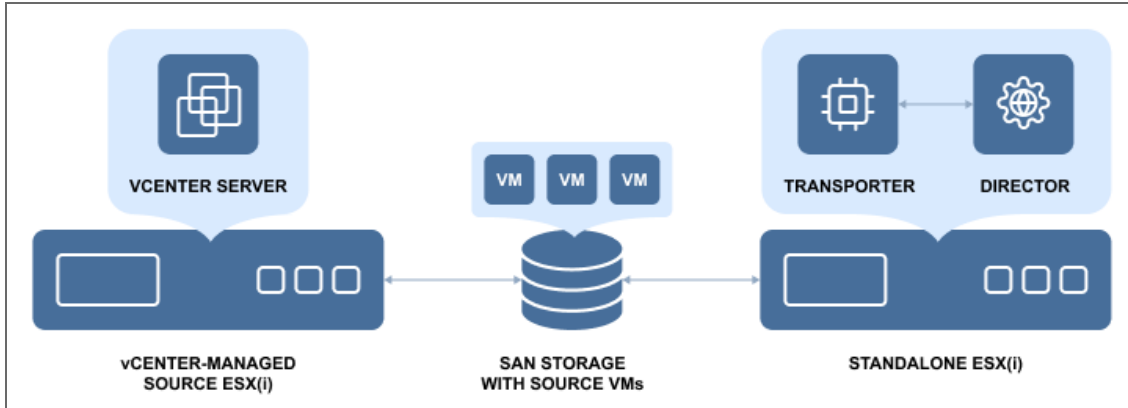
NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically uses a LAN-free data transfer mode for VMware backup, Hyper-V backup, Nutanix AHV backup, VMware replication, and Hyper-V replication. The LAN-free data transfer mode boosts VM backup and replication speed in addition to reducing the load on your network.

On the VMware platform, this is achieved with the Hot Add and Direct SAN Access features.

- [“Direct SAN Access for VMware” on page 72](#)
- [“Hot Add for VMware” on page 73](#)

Direct SAN Access for VMware

If your VMs are located on a Fiber Channel or iSCSI Storage Area Network (SAN) device, NAKIVO Backup & Replication can use direct SAN access for data retrieval. Using this storage access mode can significantly increase the speed of backup and replication while decreasing the load on your production network.

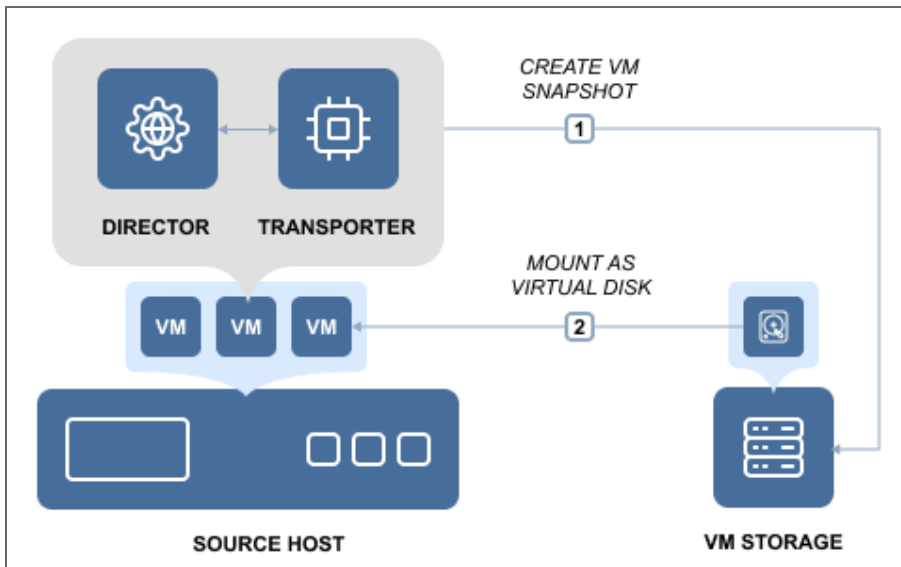


NAKIVO Backup & Replication relies on the VMware VDDK library that provides SAN support and does not make any write/modification operations on the SAN LUNs. That is to say, the product will not compromise data integrity or interfere with the data of running VMs on your SAN datastores.

For information about Transporter deployment requirements as well as recommendations on setting up the SAN access, refer to [Transporter Deployment for SAN Access](#).

Hot Add for VMware

The Hot Add Data Transfer mode significantly improves VM backup and replication speed and reduces the load on the network. NAKIVO Backup & Replication can read data directly from VM datastores, bypassing the host's TCP/IP stack that would otherwise impact every VM on the host, and slow down the data transfer. NAKIVO Backup & Replication can mount (Hot Add) VM snapshots, and read VM data directly from VM datastores through the host's storage I/O stack.



By default, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will automatically attempt to use the Hot Add mode for VM backup and replication jobs. Please check the appropriate [feature requirements](#) section for prerequisites and limitations.

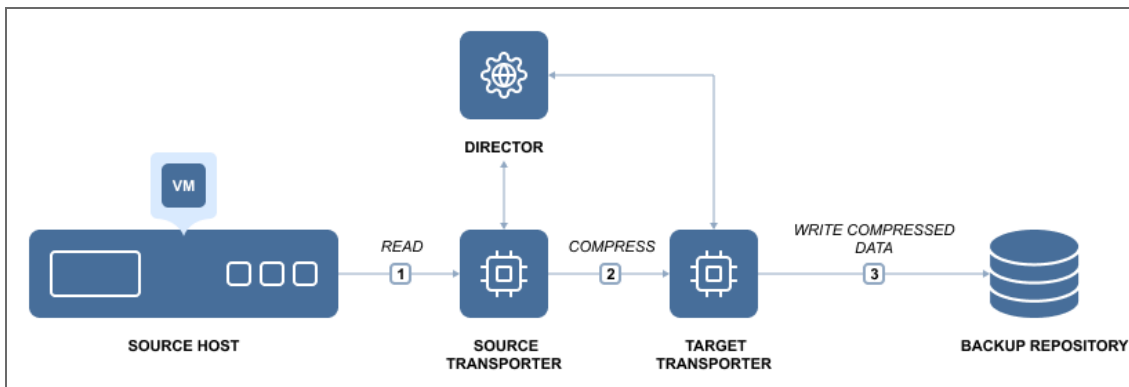
Network Acceleration

Whether you run VM backup and replication jobs during business hours or send VM backups and replicas offsite over the Internet, saving network bandwidth is of the essence. NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides the Network Acceleration feature to speed up VM backup and replication jobs, shorten backup windows, and reduce network load at the same time. With network acceleration enabled, you can increase VM backup, replication, and recovery speed by 2X in WAN and busy LAN networks.

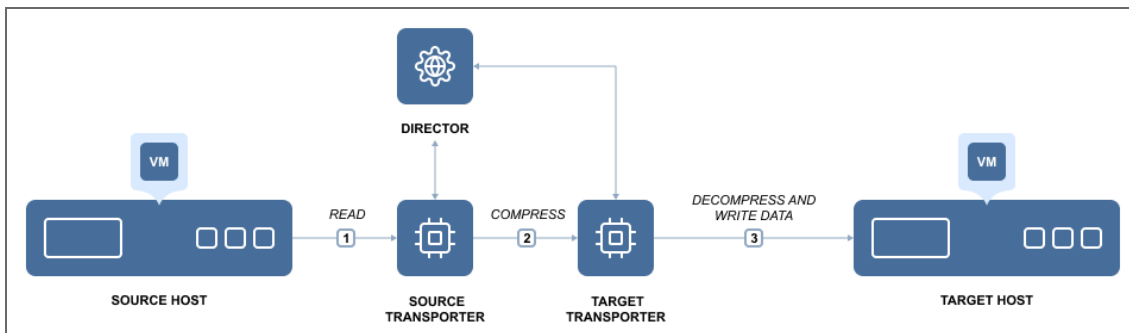
Network acceleration is achieved by the use of two instances of [Transporter](#). Transporter is the product component that performs all data protection and recovery tasks, such as backup, replication, recovery, encryption, and so on. To simplify deployment and configuration, one instance of Transporter is automatically installed with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

To enable Network Acceleration, you just need to [install another Transporter](#) instance locally or offsite and then enable Network acceleration in your job. When the job is executed, the source Transporter will read the data, compress and optimize it, and then send the data to the target Transporter. By using Network Acceleration, you can reduce the amount of data that is transferred over the network, which also means that your jobs will complete faster.

Network Acceleration for Backup



Network Acceleration for Replication



Administration

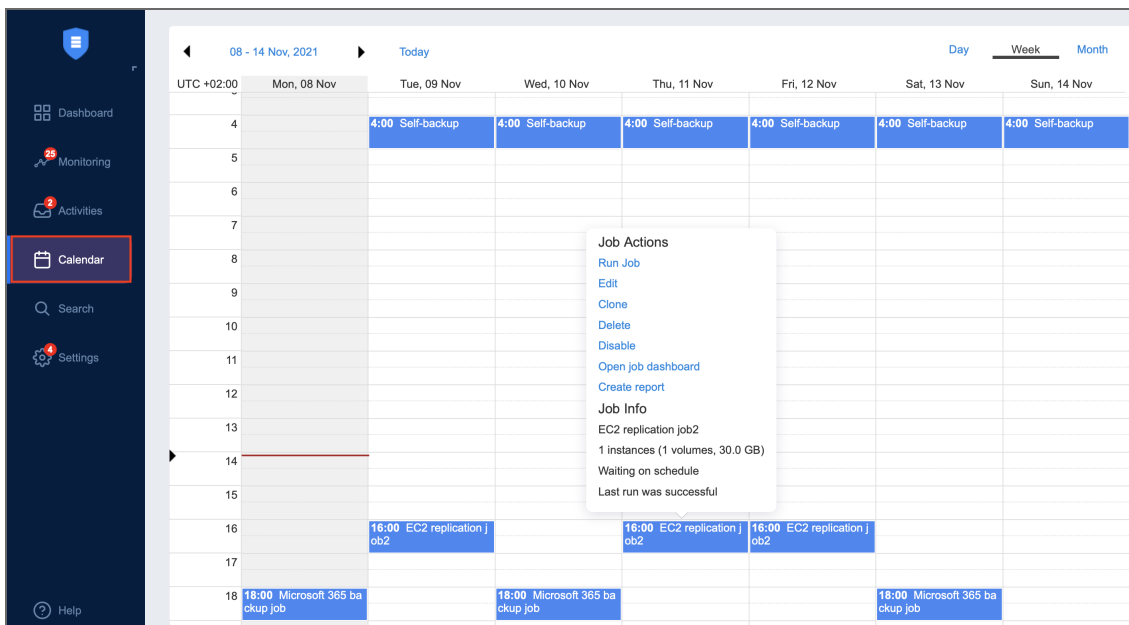
NAKIVO Backup & Replication strives to make the user experience as intuitive and easy-to-use as possible, and provides users with the following features:

- [“Calendar” on page 76](#)
- [“Global Search” on page 77](#)
- [“Monitoring” on page 77](#)
- [“Policy-Based Data Protection” on page 79](#)

Calendar

Backing up VMs is a resource-intensive process, which places extra load on your infrastructure, be it VMware, Hyper-V, or AWS. This is particularly noticeable when it comes to large environments with thousands of VMs. Too many backup jobs running concurrently on the same host or on the same network may affect the performance of your virtual environment and slow down your VMs. To reduce the load on your resources, you need to carefully schedule and structure your backup jobs, to ensure the shortest backup windows possible.

Scheduling data protection jobs may be tricky in large virtual environments, where you need to fit multiple jobs into a backup window and avoid possible overlaps. To resolve this issue, NAKIVO Backup & Replication features the Calendar dashboard, which is aimed at greatly improving job scheduling. The Calendar dashboard displays all your jobs in the calendar view, the time it took different jobs to run in the past, and the predicted job duration in the future. Here you can get a bird's eye view of all your jobs, and you can easily find open time slots for new jobs, which you can create right in the dashboard. You can also visit past jobs to view the status and details of the jobs that have been completed and drill down to their details. The Calendar dashboard has an intuitive interface and navigation, similar to those of the most popular calendar applications.



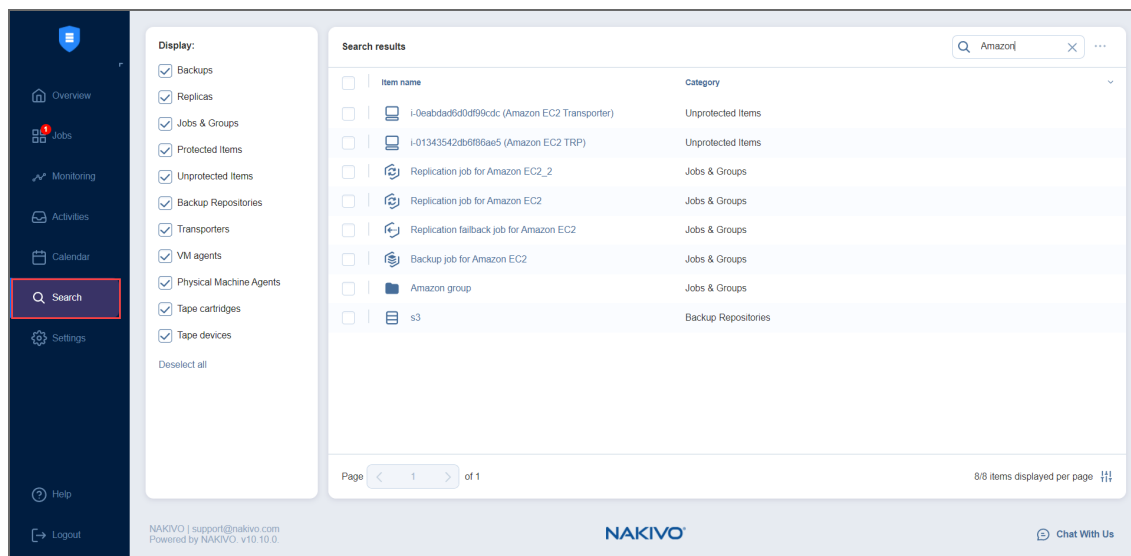
Global Search

NAKIVO Backup & Replication includes the powerful global search feature that allows you to find any item quickly by entering the name of the item (or part of the name) into the search box. You can refine the search results by using filters (for example, choose to view only VM backups). In addition, you can select items in the search results and instantly perform mass actions on them, such as creating a new job for unprotected VMs or adding items to an existing job. The ability to perform such actions simplifies the management of your backup infrastructure.

With the global search feature, you can:

- **Search:** Instantly search for VMs, backups, replicas, jobs, groups, Backup Repositories, Transporters, tape cartridges, and tape devices.
- **Filter:** Choose to view a subset of results – for example, unprotected VMs only.
- **Get information:** View item details, such as size, host, datastores, networks, and protection status.
- **Act:** After finding what you were looking for, you can take an action – add multiple unprotected VMs to a job, start a recovery, run a job, etc.

The global search feature in NAKIVO Backup & Replication is an easy-to-use tool that helps you manage large backup infrastructures and saves you time.



Monitoring

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can monitor your VM infrastructure and its performance, create and configure reports and alert templates, and view triggered alerts.

Refer to the following topics to learn how to use **Monitoring**:

- [“Metrics” on page 1039](#)
- [“Alerts” on page 1039](#)

- “Reports” on page 1044

Policy-Based Data Protection

Policy-Based Data Protection relieves you of the need to chase new VMs or changes in your infrastructure. Once a policy is created, all the matching VMs are protected automatically. Whenever a VM's status changes, the policy recognizes this change and excludes or adds the VM to jobs accordingly. The feature is designed to reduce complexity and add more flexibility to data protection processes such as backup, replication, or backup copy. You can set rules based on the VM name, tag, size, location, VM configuration, power state, or any combination of these parameters. A newly-created VM or instance is automatically added to data protection jobs if they match your policy rules; you don't have to keep track of all the changes in your infrastructure or manually manage data protection for new VMs. You can add as many new VMs and instances as you need because NAKIVO Backup & Replication can automatically protect all of them for you, as long as you have policy-based jobs in place.

This functionality can be a great time-saver if your virtualized infrastructure is actively expanding, includes numerous VMs and instances, or has a complex multilayer architecture. The Policy-Based Data Protection feature contributes greatly to the overall usability of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, making it an even more efficient data protection tool. Policies can be created for VM backup, replication, and backup copy jobs in just a few steps. Simply select the criteria (e.g., a VM's name, size, tag, etc.), enter the necessary search parameters, and have all the matching items included in the job automatically. For instance, you can choose to back up all VMware VMs tagged "Accounting" which exceed 100 GB in size and have more than 2 GB of allocated RAM. Once the policy has been created, NAKIVO Backup & Replication recognizes newly added VMs or instances with the same characteristics and automatically includes them into the existing job.

Refer to the following topics to know how to use the feature:

- [“Managing Job Policies” on page 331](#)
- [“Managing Policy Rules” on page 334](#)

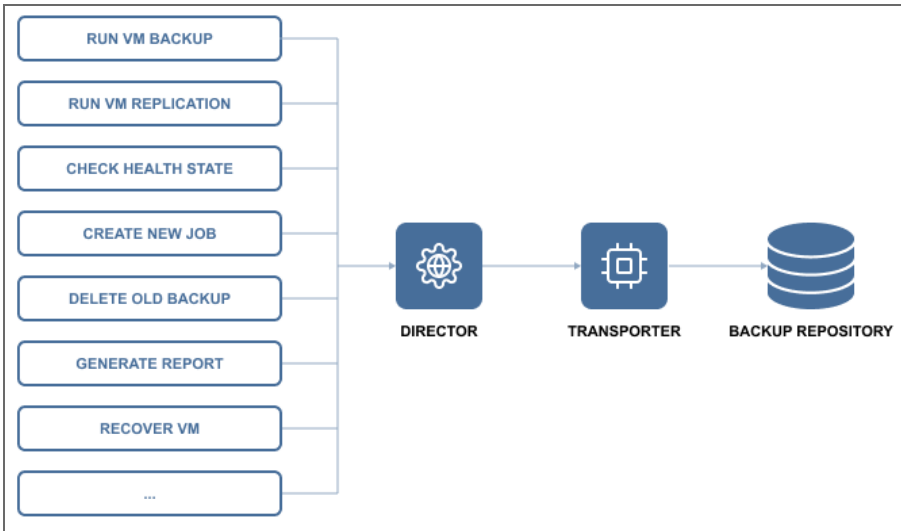
Automation

The following features help users eliminate repetitive routine work and automate their activities:

- [“HTTP APIs” on page 81](#)
- [“Job Chaining” on page 82](#)
- [“Pre and Post Job Scripts” on page 83](#)

HTTP APIs

NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides a simple HTTP API that lets you automate and orchestrate VM backup, replication, and recovery tasks. The API provides complete coverage of the product features, that is, you can use the API to perform all tasks that are available in the product's Web interface.



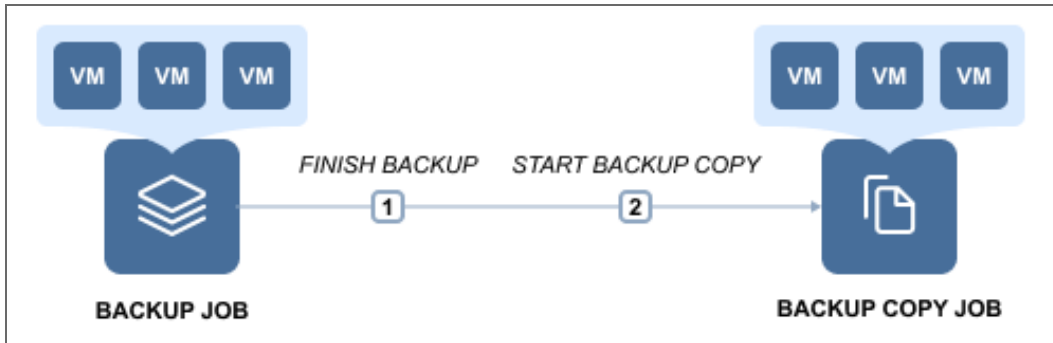
The API allows you to easily integrate NAKIVO Backup & Replication with monitoring, automation, and orchestration solutions to reduce time spent on backup management and reduce data protection costs. To speed up integration time, the API comes as part of an Integration Kit, which includes API documentation and code examples.

By using the API, you can:

- Save time on backup administration by automating the data protection process from VM provisioning to VM decommissioning.
- Ensure an uninterrupted backup process by monitoring the health status of the product components.
- Prevent failed jobs and out of space errors by monitoring backup repositories.
- Reduce storage space by automating backup decommissioning.
- Improve compliance by automating data protection reporting.
- Align data protection with your business processes by triggering VM backup and replication jobs with your orchestration and automation tools.
- Increase recovery speed by automating recovery.

Job Chaining

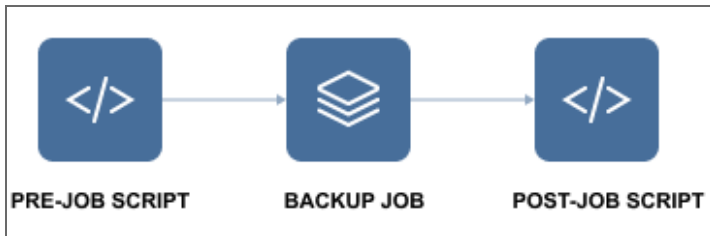
Job Chaining allows you to link jobs so that they run one directly after another. For example, you can set up a VM backup job that saves backups locally and then starts a [Backup Copy job](#) that copies the newly created backups to Amazon cloud.



You can link any type of jobs together – [backup](#), [backup copy](#), [replication](#) and [recovery](#) – and add any number of jobs to the chain. For instance, you can set up a series of backup jobs that trigger one another in the order of priority, or set up a series of Backup Copy jobs, which first send weekly backups to a DR repository and then send monthly backups to Amazon cloud for archiving.

Pre and Post Job Scripts

NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides you with the ability to run a script before a job begins (a pre-job script) and after the job has been completed (a post-job script).



By running your pre- and post- job scripts, you can do just about anything: start custom pre-freeze and post-thaw scripts on Linux systems to create [application-aware backups](#) and replicas, wake servers, establish connections, mount volumes, start and stop services, send commands to 3rd-party reporting, monitoring and automation tools, and etc.

Integration

NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides support for enterprise-grade deduplication appliances, such as EMC Data Domain and NEC HYDRAsstor. Deduplication appliances are servers designed to reduce data size, and can be used as backup targets. Deduplication appliances operate best with sequential large block I/O from backup software. Therefore, when backing up your VMs to a deduplication appliance, it is important to make sure that the architecture of your Backup Repository is optimized for these devices and your VM backups have a large block I/O. Only by doing this, you will be able to maximize your VM backup speeds.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication offers you two different types of backup repositories to choose from:

- The regular Backup Repository, which is optimized for generic storage systems and performs **forever-incremental** (when the **Store backups in separate files** option is not enabled) VM backups along with global data deduplication and compression.
- The special Backup Repository with an architecture optimized for efficient operation on deduplication appliances. This is known as **Incremental-with-full-backups** (when the **Store backups in separate files** option is enabled during the Backup Repository creation process). The repository performs incremental-with-full VM backups, and proprietary VM backup deduplication and compression by NAKIVO Backup & Replication are turned off. The file structure is also improved, and each backup, along with its recovery points, is stored in a separate folder for easier manageability.

When tested in a customer environment on a high-end NEC HYDRAsstor deduplication appliance, the product's special Backup Repository demonstrated a 53X boost in backup speed over the regular Backup Repository. NAKIVO Backup & Replication backed up the customer's VMs at an incredible 3.2 GByte/s. NAKIVO Backup & Replication ensures that you can use existing storage hardware while achieving top VM backup performance.

Integration with the following solutions allow NAKIVO Backup & Replication to further increase backup speed and save storage space:

- [“Active Directory” on page 85](#)
- [“EMC DD Boost” on page 86](#)
- [“HPE 3PAR Storage” on page 87](#)
- [“HPE Nimble Storage” on page 87](#)
- [“HPE Primera Storage” on page 87](#)
- [“HPE Alletra Storage” on page 88](#)
- [“HPE StoreOnce Catalyst” on page 89](#)
- [“NEC HYDRAsstor” on page 90](#)

Active Directory

Microsoft Active Directory is a leading directory service, which provides you with the ability to authenticate and authorize users and computers in a Windows domain type network. To simplify user management, NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides integration with Microsoft Active Directory. You can easily map Active Directory groups to NAKIVO Backup & Replication user roles, which will allow domain users to log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication with their domain credentials. With this feature, you can align NAKIVO Backup & Replication with your company's security policy and seamlessly provide Admin and Guest access to NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

For more information, refer to the following topics:

- [“Configuring Active Directory Integration” on page 409](#)
- [“Managing Active Directory Users” on page 405](#)

EMC DD Boost

The Dell/EMC Data Domain Boost technology allows for the reduction of storage consumption by up to 17X, greatly accelerating the VM backup process. The aggregate quantity of business data produced has drastically increased in recent years, which results in two major problems for modern companies. The first is the amount of storage space that backups occupy, and the second is the significant load on the production network created by backup operations, especially if they are run during business hours.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication and Dell/EMC Data Domain Boost offer a combined solution for both of these challenges. By using NAKIVO Backup & Replication along with source-side deduplication of Dell/EMC Data Domain Boost, you can perform VM backups 50% faster while reducing the size of your backups by up to 94%. This means that you can offload your network and save storage space at the same time.

For more information about the integration of NAKIVO Backup & Replication with EMC DD Boost, refer to the following articles:

- [“Storage Integration Requirements” on page 138](#)
- [Integrating with EMC DD Boost](#)
- [“Backup Repository on Deduplication Appliance” on page 573](#)

HPE 3PAR Storage

HPE 3PAR StoreServ storage is built to meet the requirements of consolidated cloud service providers. HPE 3PAR can easily handle large workloads and guarantees 99.9999% data availability. HPE 3PAR StoreServ storage uses massively scalable and flash-optimized Tier-1 architecture, which allows for agile and efficient responses. HPE 3PAR enables you to ensure service levels with QoS optimization tools and consistent, sub-millisecond latency.

When using [HPE 3PAR StoreServ Storage](#) with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can use the backup from storage snapshots approach and significantly reduce the load on your production environment.

For details about integration of HPE 3PAR devices with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, refer to [“Backup from HPE 3PAR, HPE Nimble, HPE Primera, and HPE Alletra Storage Snapshots” on page 63.](#)

HPE Nimble Storage

HPE Nimble Storage is designed to meet the demand for cloud storage and combat data disruption. Nimble Storage can easily handle large workloads with a guaranteed 99.9999% data availability and lower operational storage expenses. The Nimble Storage model can analyze millions of sensors per second to effectively prevent and predict data problems. This enables you to ensure service levels with QoS optimization tools and data mobility across clouds.

When using [HPE Nimble Storage](#) with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can use the backup from storage snapshots approach. This approach allows you to significantly reduce the load of data protection activities on your production environment.

For details about the integration of HPE Nimble Storage devices with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, refer to [“Backup from HPE 3PAR, HPE Nimble, HPE Primera, and HPE Alletra Storage Snapshots” on page 63.](#)

HPE Primera Storage

HPE Primera Storage combines the agility of cloud computing with the formidable intelligence of HPE InfoSight, providing instant data accessibility, rapid setup within minutes, transparent upgrades, and service-based delivery. What's more, it comes with a robust 100% availability guarantee, assuring continuous operations and ensuring that all your mission-critical applications run smoothly.

When using [HPE Primera Storage](#) with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can use the backup from storage snapshots approach. This approach allows you to significantly reduce the load of data protection activities on your production environment.

For details about the integration of HPE Primera Storage devices with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, refer to [“Backup from HPE 3PAR, HPE Nimble, HPE Primera, and HPE Alletra Storage Snapshots” on page 63.](#)

HPE Alletra Storage

HPE Alletra Storage offers a robust and adaptable storage solution tailored to elevate your enterprise's storage infrastructure to unprecedented levels of efficiency, agility, and performance.

Powered by HPE Alletra AI, this storage solution delivers exceptional agility, ensuring seamless adaptation to the changing demands of dynamic workloads without compromising on performance. Its flexible architecture allows for easy scalability and customization, enabling your storage infrastructure to grow in tandem with your business needs.

When using [HPE Alletra Storage](#) with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you are free to use the backup from storage snapshots approach significantly reducing the load on your production environment.

For details about integration of HPE Alletra storage devices with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, refer to [“Backup from HPE 3PAR, HPE Nimble, HPE Primera, and HPE Alletra Storage Snapshots”](#) on page 63.

HPE StoreOnce Catalyst

HPE StoreOnce Systems from Hewlett Packard Enterprise provide a disk-based data protection platform. This platform addresses data growth by applying HPE StoreOnce deduplication software for efficient and long-term backup data retention. HPE StoreOnce Catalyst, a data protection protocol optimized for disk-based data protection, is the most efficient way to transfer data to a StoreOnce System. When using HPE StoreOnce Catalyst for your Backup Repository, you get the following advantages:

- Reduction in network bandwidth as only unique chunks of data are transferred
- Lower physical storage space requirements with data deduplication
- Better backup copy job performance between HPE StoreOnce storage devices.

Starting from NAKIVO Backup & Replication version 10.1, you can create a Backup Repository on a StoreOnce appliance with HPE StoreOnce Catalyst support. Refer to the following topics for details:

- [“Deduplication Appliance Support” on page 65](#)
- [“Storage Integration Requirements” on page 138](#)
- [“Backup Repository on Deduplication Appliance” on page 573](#)

NEC HYDRAsTOR

HYDRAsTOR is an award-winning product developed by the NEC Corporation. It is a disk-based grid storage platform offering long-term data retention through its maximized capacity of legacy storage solutions and scalability of performance. A HYDRAsTOR storage system can be composed of multiple nodes – from one to over 100. Each node consists of standard hardware including disk drives, memory, CPU, and network interfaces. The system is integrated with the HYDRAsTOR software, thus creating a single storage pool. The software incorporates multiple features of distributed storage systems. The features include content-addressable storage, variable block size, inline global data deduplication, erasure codes, data encryption, Rabin fingerprinting, and load balancing.

HYDRAsTOR can be scaled from one node to 165 in a multi-rack grid appliance. Its bandwidth and capacity can be scaled separately by using different types of nodes:

- **Hybrid nodes:** add both performance and capacity.
- **Storage nodes:** add capacity.

HYDRAsTOR supports online expansion with automatic data migration and zero downtime. With a standard configuration, the product provides resiliency up to 3 concurrent disk/node failures. Failures are detected automatically, and data reconstruction is also performed automatically. This means that if the time between failures is sufficient for reconstructing data, the system will withstand any number of them. For more information about NEC HYDRAsTOR, refer to the [NEC official website](#).

To know more about the integration of NAKIVO Backup & Replication with NEC HYDRAsTOR, refer to the following articles:

- [“Storage Integration Requirements” on page 138](#)
- [Integrating with NEC HYDRAsTOR](#)
- [“Backup Repository on Deduplication Appliance” on page 573](#)

BaaS

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows for creating and managing multiple isolated tenants within one product instance.

This section contains the following topics:

- [“Branding” on page 92](#)
- [“License Delegation” on page 93](#)
- [“MSP Console” on page 94](#)
- [“Multi-Tenancy” on page 95](#)
- [“Self-Service” on page 96](#)

Branding

Whether you plan to use NAKIVO Backup & Replication internally or provide backup/DR-as-a-Service to external customers, you may find it beneficial to align the product's look and feel with your company's brand. NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides a simple way to customize your product's interface so that it looks like an integral part of your organization. You can customize:

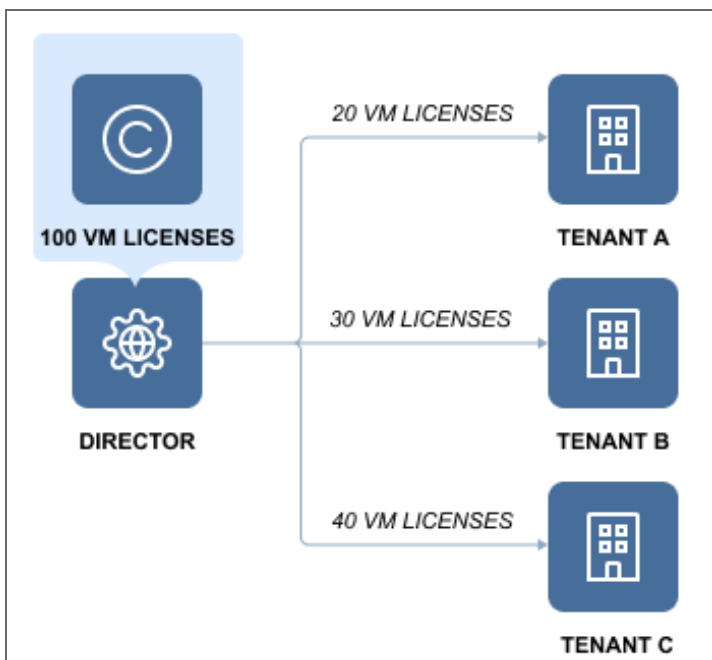
- **Product:** Product title and product logo.
- **Company information:** Company name and website URL.
- **Contact information:** Email, support email, and contact phone.

For information on branding configuration, refer to [“Branding” on page 359](#).

License Delegation

In Multi-tenant mode, NAKIVO Backup & Replication enables you to create multiple isolated tenants in a single copy of the product. The tenants can represent branch offices/departments in enterprise environments or clients in [Cloud Provider](#) environments.

Since tenants are isolated and need to have a limit as to how many licenses each of them can use, NAKIVO Backup & Replication has provided the License Delegation feature. In Multi-tenant mode, a Master Admin (tenant manager) can install one multi-socket license in the product and then assign or delegate a specific number of licenses to each tenant. For example, the Master Admin can install a 20-socket license in the Multi-tenant mode of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, and assign 3 licenses to Tenant A, 2 licenses to Tenant B, and 4 licenses to Tenant C, and let 11 licenses remain unused.



At any moment, the Master Admin can redistribute licenses: revoke any number of licenses from any tenant, which will return them to the Master License Pool, and add licenses to another tenant. The License Delegation feature makes license management simple and manageable in large and distributed environments.

MSP Console

The MSP Console feature allows users to connect their standalone instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication to a managed service provider (MSP) and vice versa. With this feature, the standalone user is referred to as a remote tenant. Unlike local tenants in the traditional [Multi-Tenancy](#) workflow, remote tenants retain the ability to manage their resources in their data protection infrastructure. Conversely, using the MSP Console, MSPs are able to monitor a remote tenant's instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication once a connection has been established on both sides.

To establish a connection, the MSP must first create a remote tenant account for the standalone user. The remote tenant must then use the credentials provided to connect to the MSPs instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

For more information on using the MSP Console feature as a remote tenant, refer to the following topics:

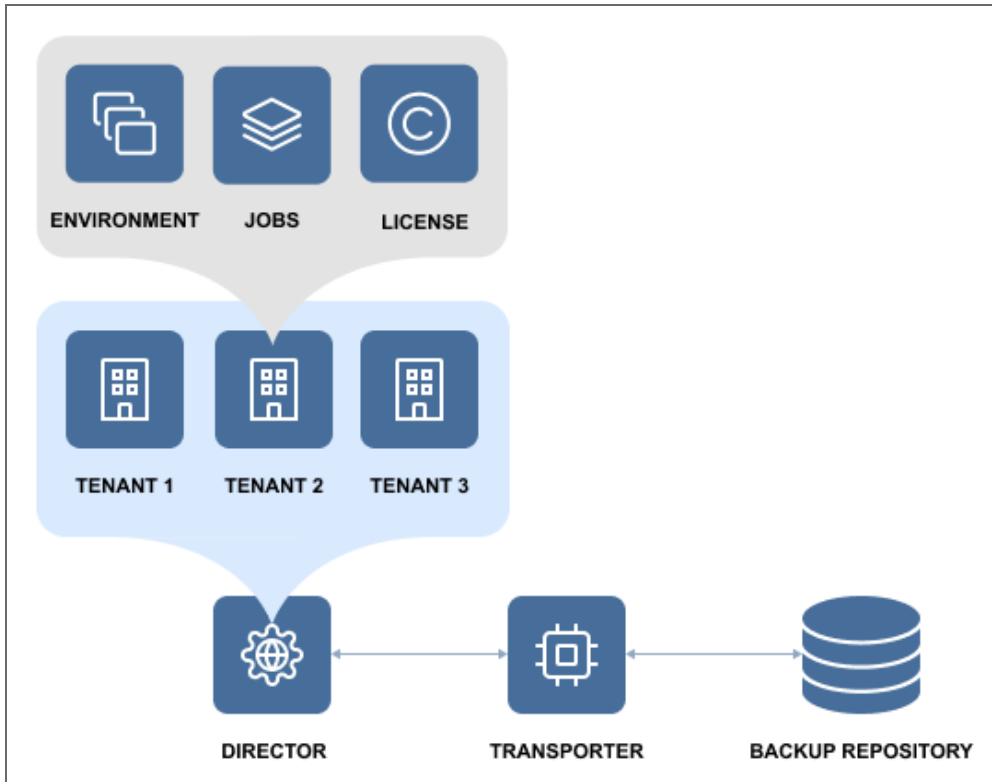
- [“MSP” on page 372](#)
- [“Adding an MSP” on page 372](#)
- [“Managing an MSP Connection” on page 374](#)

For more information on using the MSP Console feature as a managed service provider (MSP), refer to the following topics:

- [“Creating a Remote Tenant” on page 1087](#)
- [“Remote Tenant Configuration” on page 1089](#)
- [“Tenant Management” on page 1091](#)

Multi-Tenancy

Multi-tenancy enables you to create and manage up to 100 isolated tenants within a single copy of the product. Tenants can represent business units, branch offices, departments, customers, and any other entities.



In Multi-tenant mode, each tenant can access their own environment through a self-service portal, and perform all data protection and recovery tasks. At the same time, tenants are isolated from each other and cannot access the environment and jobs of other tenants.

With Multi-tenancy, you can:

- Deliver Backup-as-a-Service, Replication-as-a-Service, and Disaster-Recovery-as-a-Service, for VMware, Hyper-V and AWS EC2 environments more efficiently and cost-effectively.
- Reduce complexity by managing multiple tenants in a single pane of glass.
- Offload data protection and recovery tasks to tenants.
- Reduce footprint by managing tenants in a single instance of the product.

Self-Service

In the multi-tenant mode, you can provide tenants with access to their dashboards. By default, a tenant admin account is automatically created when you [create](#) a new tenant. If you assign the **Self-service administrator** role to the tenant admin, the tenant admin has full control over all product features inside the tenant dashboard. This includes editing and updating tenant **Inventory**, **Transporters**, and **Backup Repositories**, creating and managing jobs and groups, as well as [managing local users](#) and [user roles](#). For each tenant, one guest account can be created. The tenant guest usually has limited permissions inside the tenant.

To provide a tenant with access to the self-service interface, send them the following information:

- Link to NAKIVO Backup & Replication Director
- Tenant login
- Tenant password

NAKIVO Licensing Policy

This page offers an overview of the NAKIVO Backup & Replication licensing policy. The policy includes the licensing models for different platforms and the type of technical support provided with each model.

- [Licensing for NAKIVO Backup & Replication](#)
 - [Perpetual Licenses](#)
 - [Per-Workload Subscription Licenses](#)
 - [License Units](#)
 - [NAS File Share Backup Rules](#)
 - [License Expiration](#)
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- [Real-Time Replication for VMware Licensing](#)
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Licensing for NAKIVO Backup & Replication

NAKIVO Backup & Replication is available in 5 editions with a Perpetual License or a Subscription License depending on the platform to be protected and an organization's data protection requirements.

Perpetual Licenses

Perpetual Licenses are available for virtual machines, physical machines, NAS, and Oracle Database on the following terms:

- For VMware vSphere, Microsoft Hyper-V, and Nutanix AHV virtual machines (VMs), the solution is licensed per CPU socket. That is, a license is required for each CPU socket on hosts with VMs to be backed up or replicated. Licensed sockets can be used for any of the three platforms and may be reassigned at any time.
- For physical machines, the solution is licensed per server and per workstation. Perpetual Licenses for physical machine backup (servers or workstations) are sold in bundles of 5 servers/workstations.

Note

A per-server Perpetual License cannot be used for physical workstations, and a per-workstation Perpetual License cannot be used for servers.

- It is possible to purchase a license for a single bundle of 5 physical servers in case you also purchase a license for a bundle of 10 physical workstations along with it.

- For NAS backup, the solution is licensed per terabyte (see [NAS File Share Backup Rules](#) for more details).
- For Oracle Database, the solution is licensed per database (available with the Enterprise Plus edition only).

Perpetual Licenses come with one year of Standard Support. Additional years of support can be purchased upfront. Upgrades to 24/7 Support are also available.

Note

Valid support is required to receive product updates.

See a breakdown of the different editions below. For a detailed comparison of each edition’s features, refer to the Editions Comparison section on the [Pricing and Editions](#) page.

Edition	Platform	License unit limitations	Overview
Pro Essentials	VMware vSphere	Min. 2 sockets Max. 6 sockets	All the features of the Pro edition but with a limit on the number of license units (see License Units)
	Nutanix AHV		
	Microsoft Hyper-V		
	Windows/Linux Physical Machines	Min. 10 servers Max. 50 servers	
		Min. 10 workstations Max. 150 workstations	
NAS	Min. 1 TB Max. 50 TB		
Enterprise Essentials	VMware vSphere	Min. 2 sockets Max. 6 sockets	All the features of the Enterprise edition but with a limit on the number of licensed units (see License Units)
	Nutanix AHV		
	Microsoft Hyper-V		
	Windows/Linux Physical Machines	Min. 10 servers Max. 50 servers	
		Min. 10 workstations Max. 150 workstations	
NAS	Min. 1 TB Max. 50 TB		

Pro	VMware vSphere	No limits	Includes most product features with limitations on backup to the cloud, administrative tools, and BaaS
	Nutanix AHV		
	Microsoft Hyper-V		
	Windows/Linux Physical Machines		
	NAS		
Enterprise	VMware vSphere	No limits	Includes all product features except Oracle Database backup and a few administration features (see the Pricing and Editions page for the full list)
	Nutanix AHV		
	Microsoft Hyper-V		
	Windows/Linux Physical Machines		
	NAS		
Enterprise Plus	VMware vSphere	No limits	The most complete edition of NAKIVO Backup & Replication
	Nutanix AHV		
	Microsoft Hyper-V		
	Windows/Linux Physical Machines		
	NAS		
	Oracle Database		

Per-Workload Subscription Licenses

The Per-Workload Subscription Licenses are available for virtual machines, physical machines, NAS, and Oracle Database on the following terms:

- For VMware vSphere, Microsoft Hyper-V, Nutanix AHV, and Amazon EC2, the solution is licensed per VM/instance.
- For physical machines, the solution is licensed per 1 server or 3 workstations.
- For NAS, the solution is licensed per 0.5 terabytes (see [NAS File Share Backup Rules](#) for more details).
- For Oracle Database, the solution is licensed per database (available with the Enterprise Plus edition only).

Subscription Licenses are annual subscriptions (1 to 5 years) that are billed upfront and include 24/7 Support for the licensed period.

See a breakdown of the different editions below. For a detailed comparison of each edition’s features, refer to the Editions Comparison section on the Pricing and Editions page.

Edition	Platform	License unit limitations	Overview
Pro Essentials	VMware vSphere	Min. 5 workloads Max. 50 workloads	All the features of the Pro edition but with a limit on the number of license units (see License Units)
	Nutanix AHV		
	Microsoft Hyper-V		
	Amazon EC2		
	Windows/Linux Physical Machines		
	NAS		
Enterprise Essentials	VMware vSphere	Min. 5 workloads Max. 50 workloads	All the features of the Enterprise edition but with a limit on the number of licensed units (see License Units)
	Nutanix AHV		
	Microsoft Hyper-V		
	Amazon EC2		
	Windows/Linux Physical Machines		
	NAS		
Pro	VMware vSphere	No limits	Includes most product features with limitations on backup to the cloud, administrative tools, and BaaS
	Nutanix AHV		
	Microsoft Hyper-V		
	Amazon EC2		
	Windows/Linux Physical Machines		
	NAS		

Enterprise	VMware vSphere	No limits	Includes all product features except Oracle Database backup and a few administration features (see the Pricing and Editions page for the full list)
	Nutanix AHV		
	Microsoft Hyper-V		
	Amazon EC2		
	Windows/Linux Physical Machines		
	NAS		
Enterprise Plus	VMware vSphere	No limits	The most complete edition of NAKIVO Backup & Replication
	Nutanix AHV		
	Microsoft Hyper-V		
	Amazon EC2		
	Windows/Linux Physical Machines		
	NAS		
	Oracle Database		

License Units

License units are defined differently for Perpetual Licenses and Per-Workload Subscription Licenses as shown below. In addition, there are limitations on the number of license units with the Pro Essentials and Enterprise Essentials editions.

Units for Perpetual Licenses

Platform	License Unit	Pro Essentials/Enterprise Essentials Editions Limits*
VMware vSphere	1 CPU Socket	2-6 Units (Sockets)
Microsoft Hyper-V		
Nutanix AHV		
Windows/Linux Physical Server	5 Servers	2-10 Units (10-50 Servers)
Windows/Linux Workstation	5 Workstations	2-30 Units (10-150 Workstations)

NAS File Share	1 Terabyte	1-50 Units (1-50 TB)
Oracle Database	1 Database	N/A

*A Perpetual License for Pro Essentials/Enterprise Essentials can cover up to 30 units of virtual machines, physical machines, and/or NAS combined.

Below is an example of a valid order for a single Pro Essentials/Enterprise Essentials Perpetual License that combines virtual, physical, and file share protection for a total of 30 units:

- 6 Sockets (6 units)
- 40 Physical Servers (8 units in bundles of 5)
- 40 Physical Workstations (8 units in bundles of 5)
- 8 TB of file share space (8 units)

Workloads in Per-Workload Subscription License

Platform	License Unit (Workload)	Pro Essentials/Enterprise Essentials Editions Limits
VMware vSphere	1 VM	Minimum of 5 workloads Maximum of 50 workloads
Microsoft Hyper-V		
Nutanix AHV		
Amazon EC2	1 Instance	
Windows/Linux Physical Server	1 Server	
Windows/Linux Workstation	3 Workstations	
NAS File Share	0.5 Terabyte	
Oracle Database	1 Database	

NAS File Share Backup Rules

File share backup has a few additional rules and details regarding licensing. Licenses are consumed based on the following rules:

- License consumption is calculated based on backed up source file share data, determined during each file share backup job run.
 - NAKIVO Backup & Replication sums up the last-known amount of protected source data across all file share backup jobs.
 - If the same file share and/or its contents are protected by multiple jobs, the source data is still summed.
 - If a job run reaches or exceeds the licensed data size, the job will become disabled. It will not be possible to create new file share backup jobs, and the current job cannot be re-enabled until it is edited to exclude a sufficient amount of backup data.
- Adding shares to inventory does **not** consume licenses.
- File share backup metadata does **not** contribute to licensed file share size.

In addition, there are specific rules regarding the calculation of licenses for protected source data:

- If the total source data size is greater than zero and less than or equal to 0.5 TB, one license unit is consumed.

Note

In this section, **license unit** refers only to 0.5 TB. While file share backup is licensed per-Terabyte in a Perpetual License, license **consumption** is counted in 0.5 TB increments for both Perpetual and Per-Workload Subscription license types.

- If the total source data size exceeds 0.5 TB, the number of consumed licenses is determined as follows:
 1. The total source data size is rounded down to the nearest multiple of 0.5 TB
 2. The rounded amount is divided by 0.5 TB
 3. The resulting value is the number of licensed units consumed

Example: Total backed up source data of 1850 GB (1.85 TB) is rounded down to 1.5 TB and divided by 0.5 TB to get **3 license units consumed**.

License Expiration

For both single-tenant and multi-tenant modes, NAKIVO Backup & Replication enters grace period mode for 15 days after license expiration. During this period, the product continues operating normally. After the grace period mode has ended or if the product does not have a license, NAKIVO Backup & Replication enters limited mode. In this mode, the following occurs:

- All backup, backup copy, replication, and site recovery jobs are disabled.
- Jobs that are currently in progress are disabled after completion.
- Real-time replication jobs are stopped and disabled.
- Recovery jobs can still be run in limited mode as normal.

Limited mode is disabled upon changing to the active license.

Licensing for Backup for Microsoft 365

Backup for Microsoft 365 is licensed per user on an annual basis (1 to 3 years). A user is defined as a unique Microsoft 365 account that has access to Exchange Online, OneDrive for Business, SharePoint Online, and/or Teams. Each user is equivalent to one license unit.

Organizations may purchase a Subscription License for Backup for Microsoft 365 as a standalone offering or combine it with any existing NAKIVO Backup & Replication edition and license type (Perpetual or Per-Workload Subscription). Subscription Licenses come with 24/7 Support covering the licensed period.

See the overview below of possible pairings for a Microsoft 365 Subscription License with any edition of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Purchased with	Support level	Coverage
Perpetual License (any edition)	24/7 Support for Microsoft 365 License; Standard Support for Perpetual License	Minimum 10 license units (users) per order
	24/7 Support across the board (requires Support Upgrade for Perpetual License)	
Subscription License (any edition)	24/7 Support across the board	Minimum 10 license units (users) per order

When combining a Subscription License for Backup for Microsoft 365 with a NAKIVO Backup & Replication Perpetual License of any type, the following technical support conditions apply:

- The end date for support coverage must be the same for both licenses.
- You may upgrade Perpetual License Standard Support to 24/7 Support, or keep it at the default Standard Support.

Note

Users with a Microsoft 365 Student SKU do not require a license. Users with a Microsoft 365 Student SKU and another non-student SKU (e.g. Faculty) still require a license.

SharePoint Online Backup Licensing Rules

In addition to regular Microsoft 365 Subscription Licensing rules, there are conditions specific to SharePoint Online backup licensing.

- License units for SharePoint Online backup:
 - A user (including a user in groups) that has "Edit" or "Full Control" permissions for a site consumes 1 license unit.
 - For personal sites, only the owner of the personal site consumes a license unit. Other users with access to this personal site do not consume any license units.
 - A personal site owner with access to a regular site requires only one license unit.
- License units are matched to a given email account, meaning the following rules apply for mailbox backup:
 - Users with access to a SharePoint Online site who also have a mailbox under the same email account require only one license unit.
 - If a mailbox does not correspond to a licensed email account, a separate license unit is required to back it up.
- License units are not given per SharePoint site or affected by the size of a site.

Real-Time Replication for VMware vSphere Licensing

Real-Time replication for VMware vSphere is available with a Perpetual License (per socket) or Per-Workload Subscription License (per VM), and can be purchased separately from NAKIVO Backup & Replication. A Real-Time Replication license can also be combined with an existing license of the same type and edition of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Perpetual Licenses for VMware Real-Time Replication

- Licensed per CPU socket: A license is required for each CPU socket on hosts with VMs selected for real-time replication.
- **Enterprise Essentials** edition requires a minimum of 2 sockets and allows up to 6 sockets.
- Perpetual Licenses come with one year of Standard Support. Additional years of support can be purchased upfront. Upgrades to 24/7 Support are also available.

Note

Valid support is required to receive product updates.

Subscription Licenses for VMware Real-Time Replication

- Licensed per VM
- Annual subscriptions (1 to 5 years) that are billed upfront
- Include 24/7 Support for the licensed period

If purchased together with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, the licenses for both products must have the same:

- Edition
- Support end date
- Type of support (Standard or 24/7)

IT Monitoring Licensing

IT Monitoring for VMware vSphere virtual machines is available with a Perpetual License (per socket) or Per-Workload Subscription License (per VM), and can be purchased separately from NAKIVO Backup & Replication. An IT Monitoring license can also be combined with an existing license of the same type and edition of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Perpetual Licenses for IT Monitoring

- Licensed per CPU socket: A license is required for each CPU socket on hosts with VMs to be monitored.
- Perpetual Licenses come with one year of Standard Support. Additional years of support can be purchased upfront. Upgrades to 24/7 Support are also available.

Note

Valid support is required to receive product updates.

Subscription Licenses for IT Monitoring

- Licensed per VM
- Annual subscriptions (1 to 5 years) that are billed upfront
- Include 24/7 Support for the licensed period
- License unit limits for the Pro Essentials/Enterprise Essentials editions: 5-50 workloads

If purchased together with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, the licenses for both products must have the same:

- Edition
- Support end date
- Type of support (Standard or 24/7)

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is a socket?

A: A socket refers to the socket on the motherboard onto which a CPU is inserted. For a Perpetual license, only the number of sockets is counted; the number of CPU cores per socket is not taken into account.

Q: Does adding another Transporter require an additional license?

A: NAKIVO Backup & Replication is not licensed per Transporter. You can install additional Transporters regardless of the licensing model (Perpetual or Subscription).

Q: Do I need to license both source and target hosts in a disaster recovery scenario?

A: Only the source side of replication requires a license. For a scenario wherein you replicate a VM from Site A, recover it in Site B, then failback to Site A, only hosts on Site A side need to be licensed.

Additional Resources

[NAKIVO Pricing & Editions](#)

[NAKIVO Customer Support Policy](#)

[NAKIVO Customer Support Agreement](#)

[End-User License Agreement](#)

Deployment

This section contains the following topics :

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- [“Deployment Scenarios” on page 118](#)
- [“Installing NAKIVO Backup & Replication” on page 191](#)
- [“Updating NAKIVO Backup & Replication” on page 256](#)
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Architecture

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What is NAKIVO Backup & Replication?

NAKIVO Backup & Replication is an all-in-one solution designed to back up, replicate, and recover virtual machines and cloud instances. The product can also back up and recover physical machines.

Solution Components

NAKIVO Backup & Replication is a server application that can be installed on a virtual or physical machine. The application is designed to achieve top speeds for CPU and RAM to achieve the top speed of VM backup, replication, and recovery. Thus, NAKIVO Backup & Replication components should be installed on a machine designated for backup and replication so it does not interfere with the performance of other applications.

NAKIVO Backup and Replication consists of the following components:

- [“Director” on page 110](#)
- [“Transporter” on page 112](#)
- [“Backup Repository” on page 116](#)

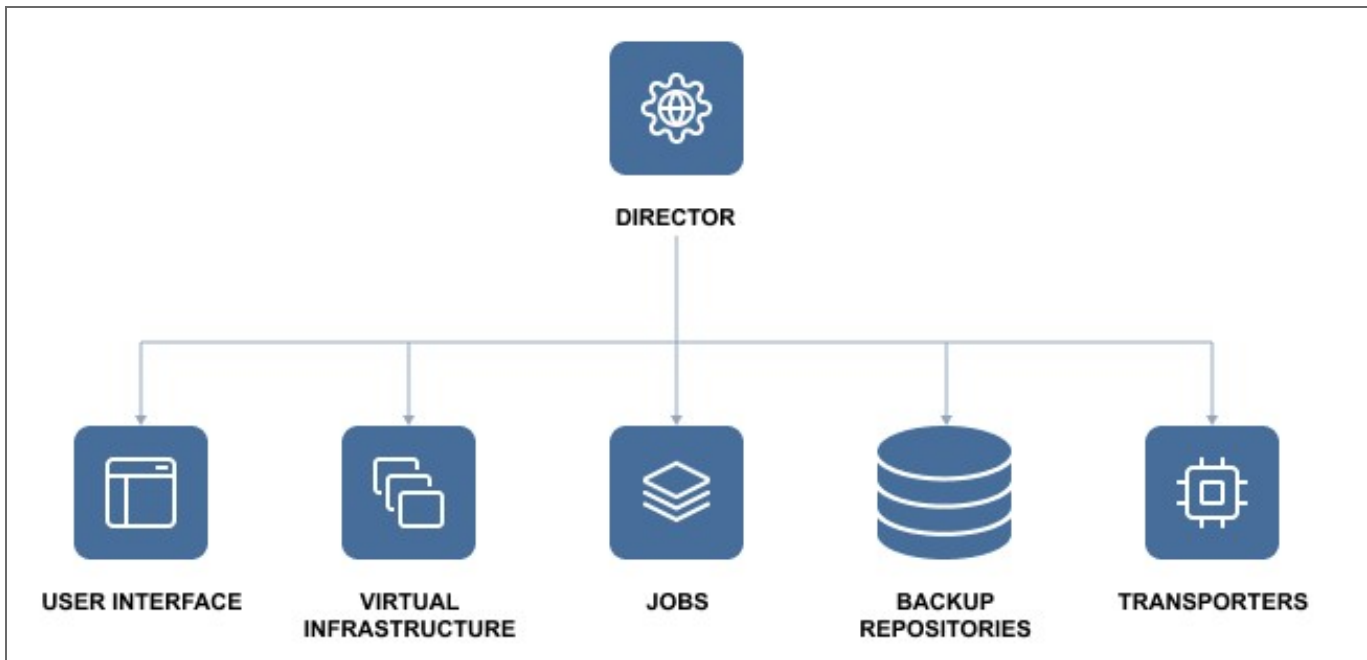
All components can be installed on a single machine or can be distributed across multiple machines and geographical locations.

Director

- [What is Director?](#)
- [How Many Directors Should be Deployed?](#)

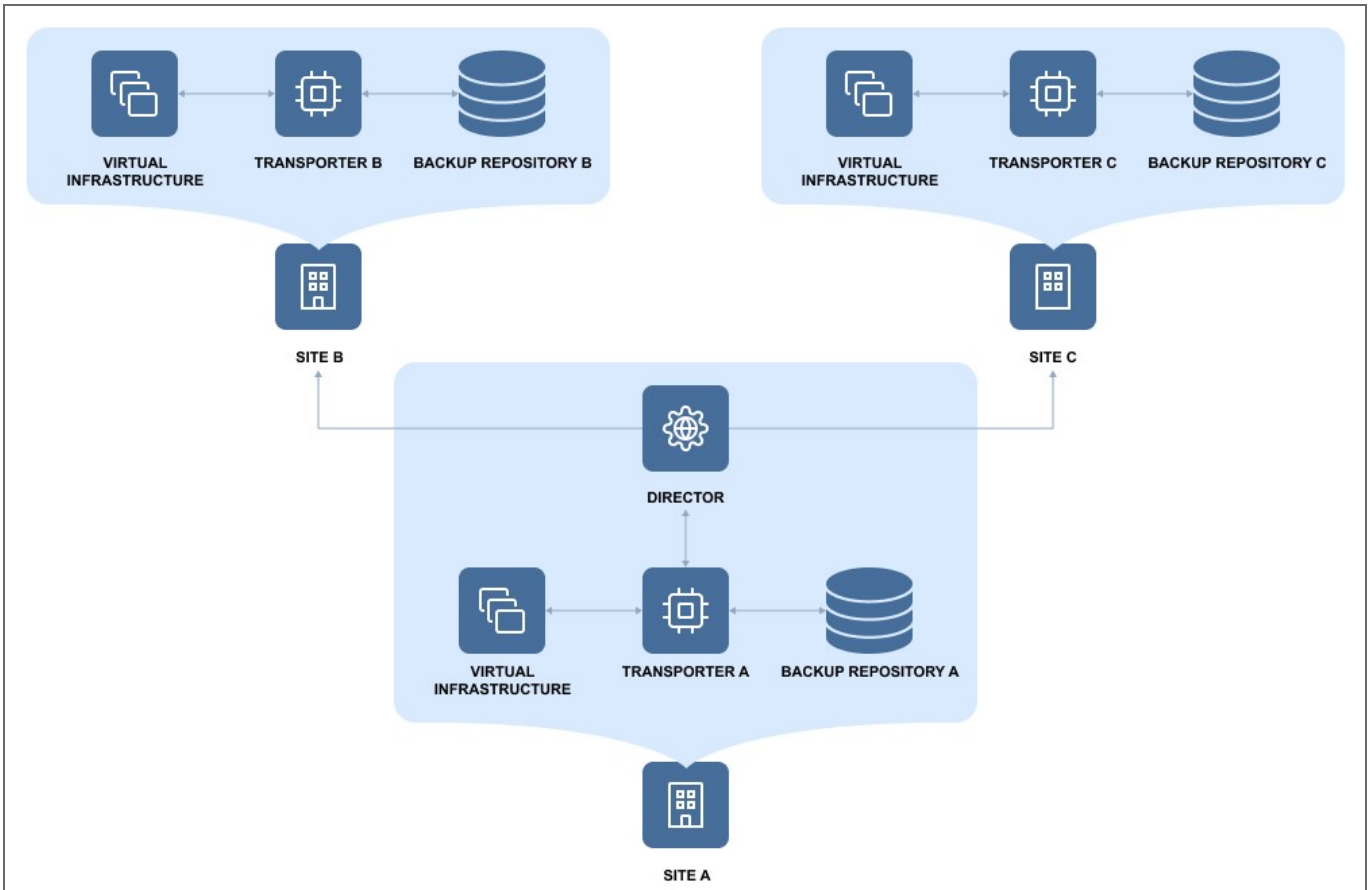
What is Director?

Director is the central management instance of the product. It provides Web interface, locates and maintains the inventory, provides users with the ability to create and run jobs, manages **Backup Repositories**, **Transporters**, and other product elements.



How Many Directors Should be Deployed

Only one instance of the **Director** should be installed per customer. As a central management point for data protection, one instance of the **Director** can manage multiple geographically distributed virtual and cloud environments, **Backup Repositories**, and **Transporters**. See the example below.

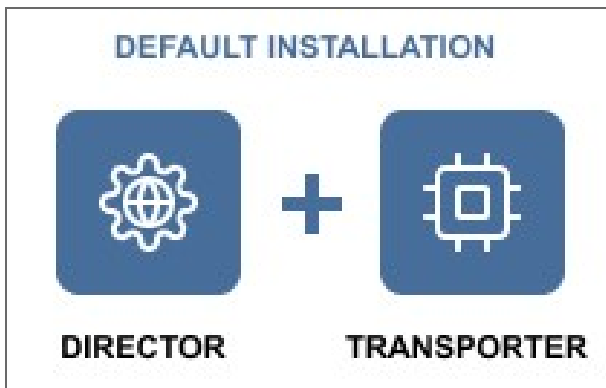


Transporter

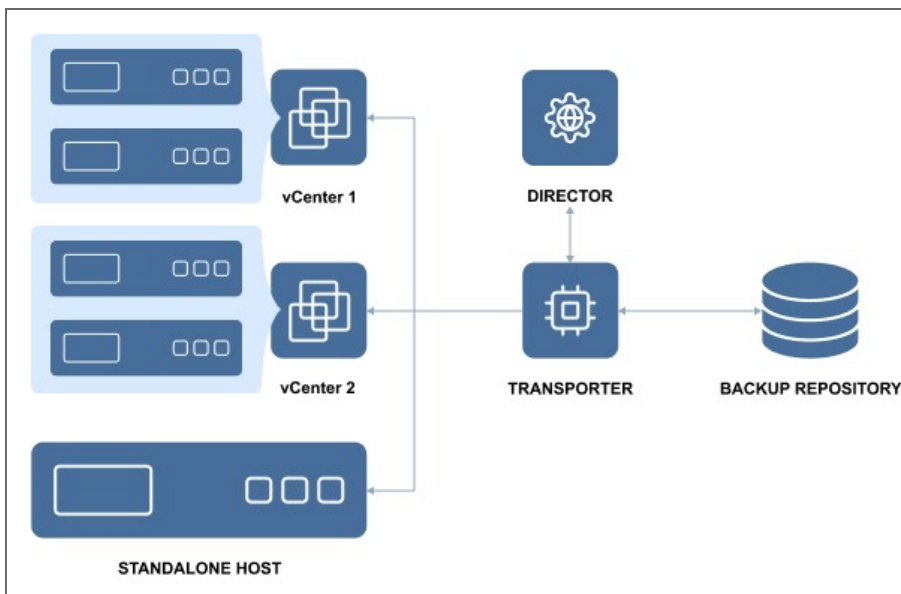
- [What is a Transporter?](#)
- [How many Transporters Should be Deployed?](#)
- [How Transporters are Selected for Jobs](#)
- [Transporter Security](#)
- [Transporter as a VMware Appliance](#)

What is a Transporter?

The **Transporter** is the component of the product that does all of the heavy lifting. It performs backup, replication, and recovery, as well as data compression, deduplication, and encryption. An instance of the **Transporter** is automatically installed along with the **Director** to enable backup, replication, and recovery out of the box. The default **Transporter** is called "Onboard Transporter", and it must not be removed or added to the product by another **Director**.



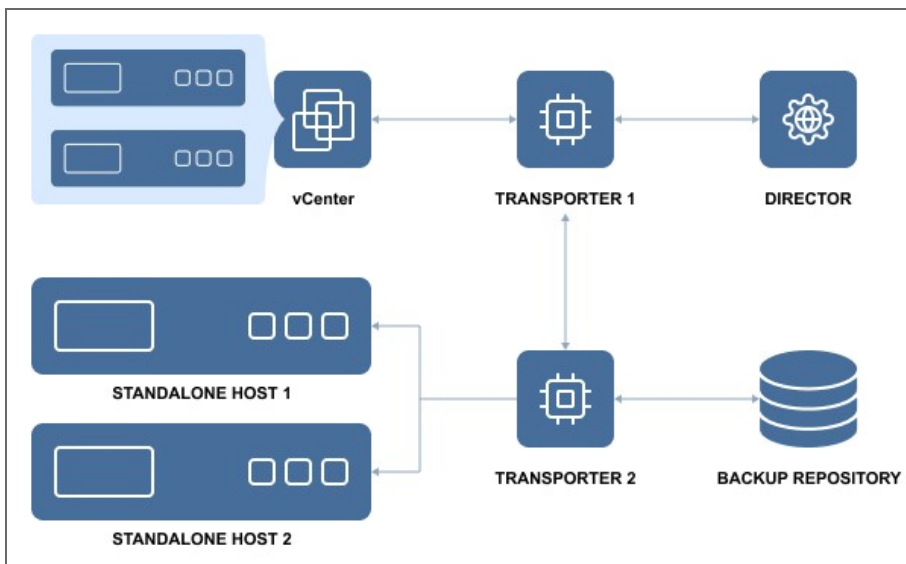
A single **Transporter** can back up, replicate, and recover multiple VMs and cloud instances.



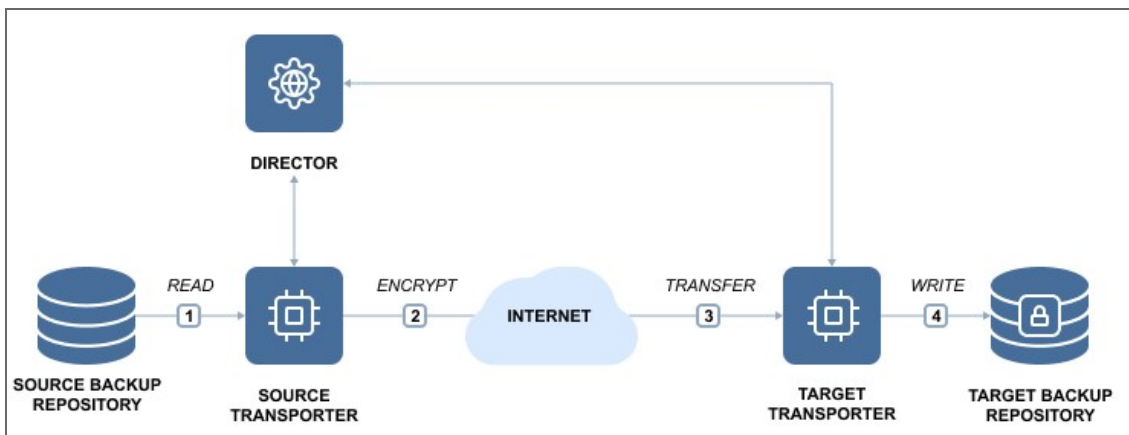
One Transporter can simultaneously process multiple source disks (6 by default) during backup, replication, and recovery. If jobs contain more disks than the **Transporter** is set to process simultaneously, the disks will be put in a queue and will be processed once the **Transporter** frees up.

How Many Transporters Should be Deployed?

In most cases, it is sufficient to deploy only one **Transporter** per site. In large environments, where multiple source items need to be processed simultaneously, multiple **Transporters** can be deployed to distribute the workload.



Deploying multiple **Transporters** also enables network acceleration and AES 256 encryption of traffic between a pair of **Transporters**. For example, if VMs are replicated over WAN between two sites, the **Transporter** installed in the source site can compress and encrypt data before transferring it over WAN, and the **Transporter** installed in the target site can unencrypt and decompress the data prior to writing it to the target server.

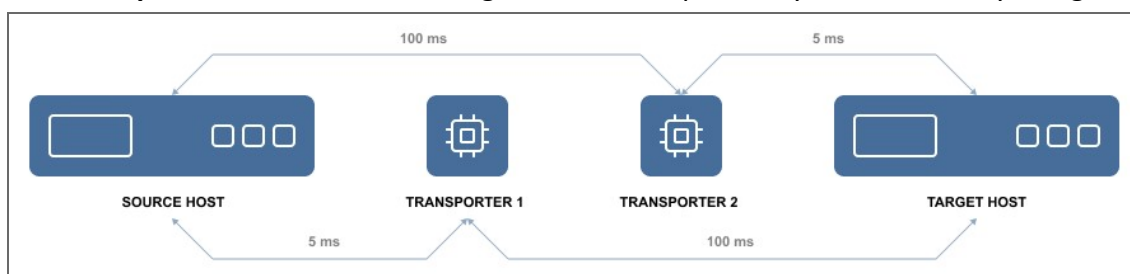


If you plan to transfer data over WAN without a VPN connection from your source site to the target site, make sure the source and target **Transporters** are added to the product using external IP addresses or DNS names that can be properly resolved in WAN, so that the two **Transporters** can connect to each other.

How Transporters are Selected for Jobs

In large and geographically distributed environments multiple Transporters can be deployed to distribute the data protection workload, optimize network traffic, and improve data transfer speeds. Thus, if more than one **Transporter** is deployed for NAKIVO Backup & Replication, it is important to determine which one should be used to read data from a particular source and which one should be used to write data to a target.

By default, the product automatically determines which **Transporter** should be used based on the proximity of a **Transporter** to the source or target server. The proximity is measured by using the ping round trip time.



In the example above, **Transporter 1** will be selected to read data from the Source ESXi, and **Transporter 2** will be selected to write data to the Target ESXi.

The Transporter selection can also be configured manually during job creation.

Transporter Security

It is possible to set a Master Password for the Transporter and use a CA certificate to make NAKIVO Backup & Replication more secure. The certificate can be set for the Onboard **Transporter** during the full installation of the product or for individual **Transporters** during **Transporter**-only installation, or by using the Windows Updater on Windows operating systems. The master password can be set only during the **Transporter**-only installation.

This option is available for the following [supported target platforms](#):

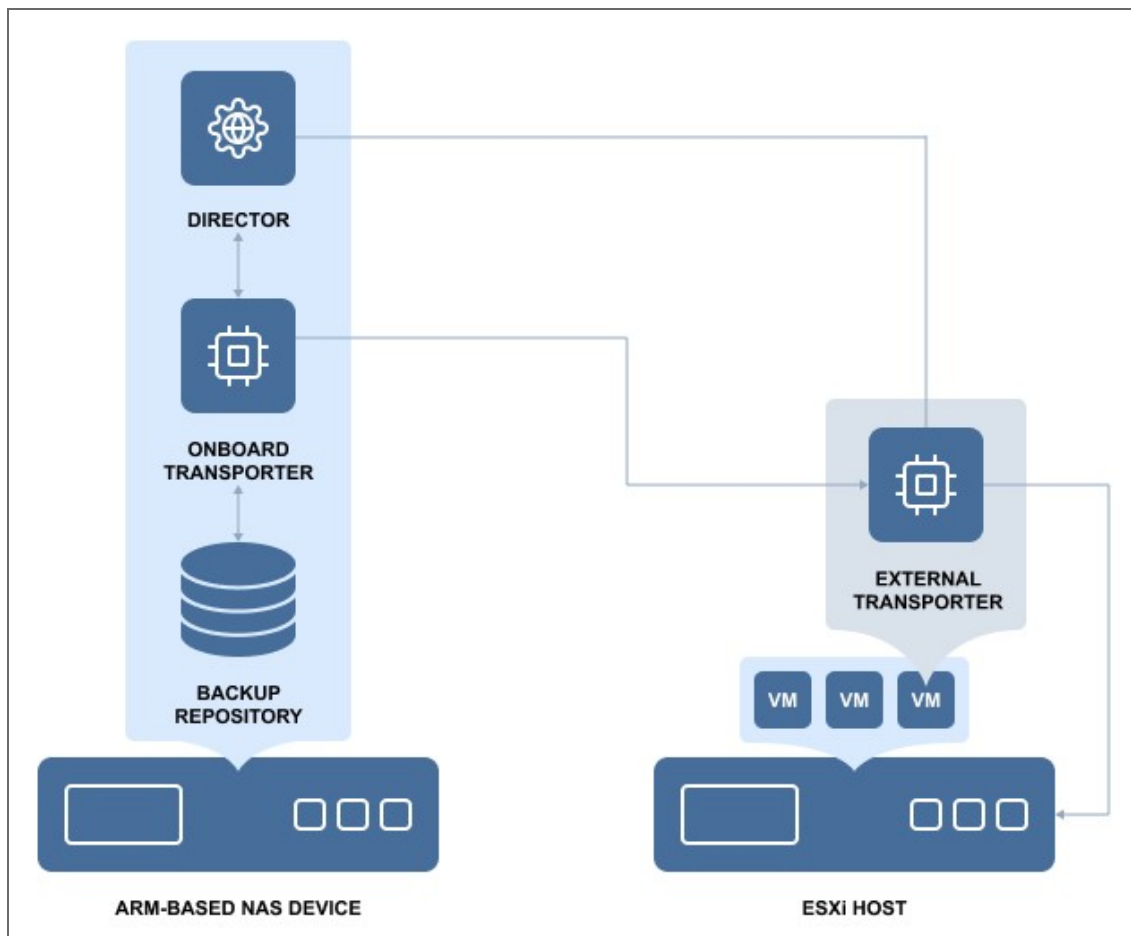
- VMware vSphere
- Microsoft Hyper-V
- Amazon EC2
- Nutanix AHV
- Supported NAS models
- Virtual Appliances
- Physical machines

To use CA certificates, make sure that they adhere to the necessary requirements. Refer to [Custom CA-Signed Certificate Compatibility](#).

Transporter as a VMware Appliance

Since VMware does not provide a VDDK library for ARM-based processors, the NAKIVO [Onboard Transporter](#) may not support VMware as some functionality necessary for working with VMware is missing for such ARM-based NAS devices.

In this case, you will need to [deploy an additional Transporter as a VMware appliance](#) to allow NAKIVO Backup & Replication to work with VMware vCenters and ESXi hosts, and protect your virtual infrastructure.



Once deployed, the additional **Transporter** allows the application to retrieve necessary data via Transporter-to-Transporter communication.

Backup Repository

- [What is a Backup Repository?](#)
- [How Much Data Can Be Stored in a Backup Repository?](#)
- [How is a Backup Repository Managed?](#)

What is a Backup Repository?

A **Backup Repository** is a folder used by NAKIVO Backup & Replication to store backups. When you add a **Backup Repository** to the product, NAKIVO Backup & Replication creates a folder named “NakivoBackup” in the specified location and keeps all backed up data and **Backup Repository** metadata in that folder.

Important

- Do not modify or delete any files inside the “NakivoBackup” folder. Modifying or deleting any file inside the “NakivoBackup” folder may irreversibly damage an entire **Backup Repository**.
- To avoid disrupting NAKIVO Backup & Replication processes and data corruption, add the application to the whitelist/exclusions list of the antivirus software running on the machine on which the NAKIVO Backup Repository is set up.

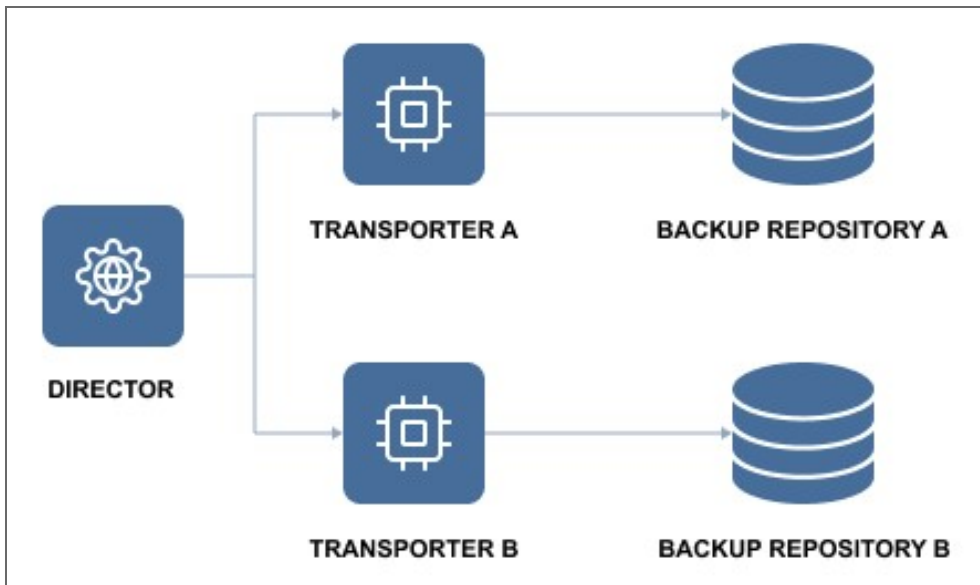
By default, a **Backup Repository** is created when the full solution (both **Director** and **Transporter**) is installed. The default **Backup Repository** is named “Onboard repository”.

How Much Data Can Be Stored in a Backup Repository?

The maximum recommended size of a Backup Repository used with NAKIVO Backup & Replication is 128 TB of data after compression and deduplication. For repositories larger than 128 TB, it is recommended to use an **Incremental with full backups** type of **Backup Repository**. The number of **Backup Repositories** per installation is unlimited. Additionally, **Backup Repositories** can be configured to compress and deduplicate backups at the block level to save storage space.

How is a Backup Repository Managed?

Each **Backup Repository** is managed by a single **Transporter** called an Assigned **Transporter**. In other words, only one **Transporter** can read data from and write data to a particular **Backup Repository**.



The Assigned **Transporter** is responsible for all interaction with its **Backup Repository**. A single **Transporter** can be assigned to and manage multiple **Backup Repositories**.

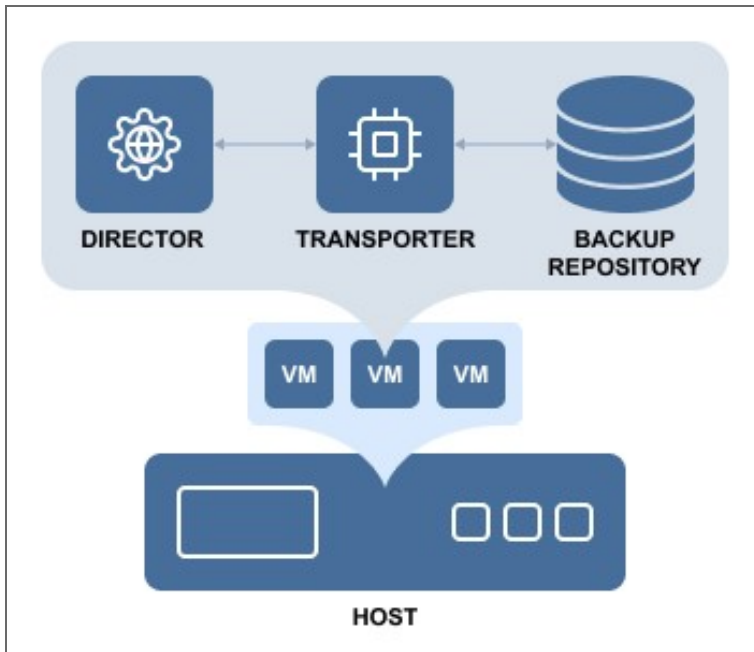
Deployment Scenarios

NAKIVO Backup & Replication is a modular solution that can be fully installed on a single machine to protect small and mid-sized environments, as well as scale out horizontally and support large distributed environments. Refer to the sections below to learn more about the product deployment scenarios.

- [“Single Site Deployment” on page 119](#)
- [“Distributed Deployment” on page 120](#)
- [“Multi-Tenant Deployment” on page 121](#)

Single Site Deployment

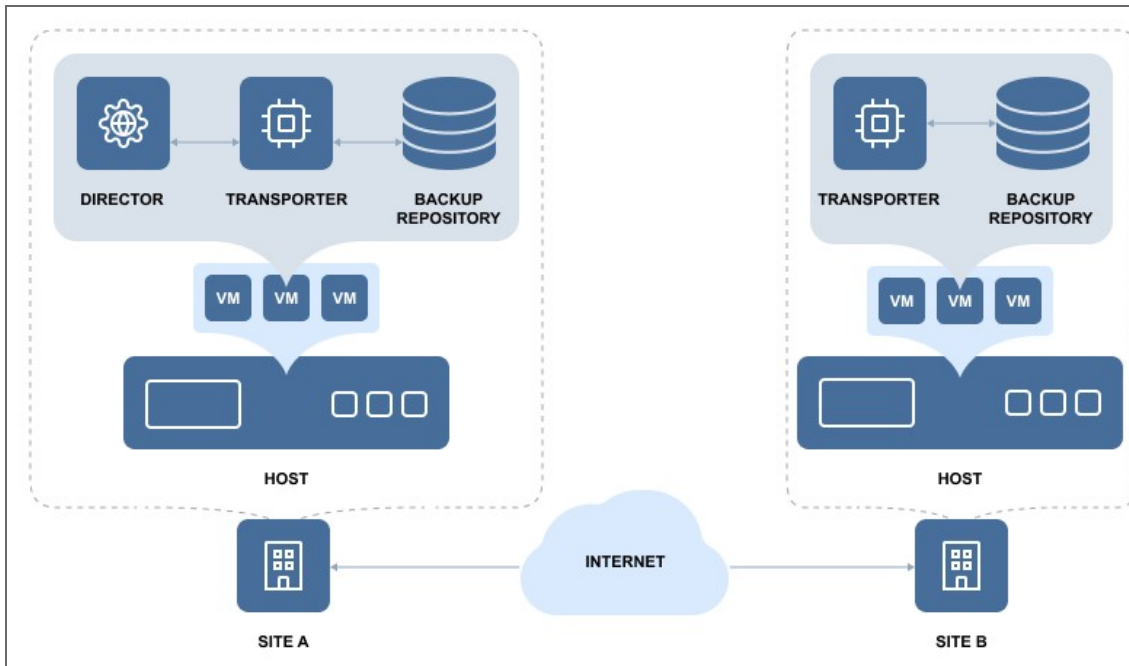
For a single site deployment, it is often sufficient to install both the Director and Transporter on a single VM/physical machine within your infrastructure.



This deployment provides you with the ability to back up, replicate, and recover multiple VMs from multiple source hosts.

Distributed Deployment

If you have multiple sites and need to back up and/or replicate over WAN, install the Director and Transporter on one site, and at least one Transporter on all other sites.



Note

Make sure the required ports are open on the appropriate endpoints. The full list of required ports can be found in [Deployment Requirements](#).

Multi-Tenant Deployment

Installation of a multi-tenant solution of NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to create multiple isolated tenants within a single product deployment and manage them from a single pane of glass. In the Multi-Tenant mode, tenants can access the self-service portal to offload backup, replication, and recovery tasks from the service provider.

For more information, refer to these topics:

- [“Backup from a Remote Site to a Master Site” on page 122](#)
- [“Replication from a Remote Site to a Master Site” on page 124](#)
- [“Local Backup at Remote Site” on page 126](#)
- [“Local Replication at Remote Site” on page 128](#)
- [“Backup at Master Site” on page 130](#)
- [“Replication at Master Site” on page 132](#)
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Backup from a Remote Site to a Master Site

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Deployment Scenario

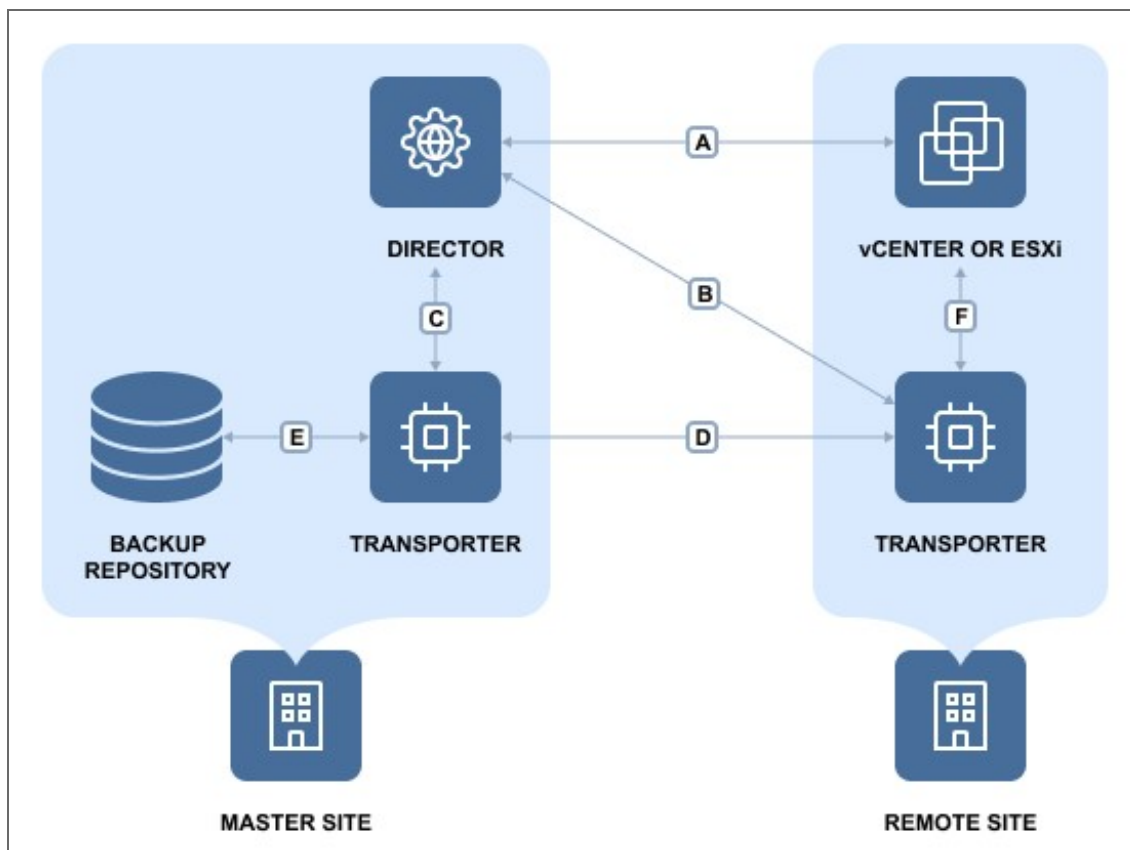
In this scenario, tenant VMs are running at remote sites and are backed up to a single master site.

Example

A service provider needs to back up customers' VMs to the service provider's datacenter so that the customers don't see each other's backups and can recover their own files and emails through a self-service interface.

Deployment Diagram

The deployment diagram for the above scenario is as follows:



Deployment Steps

To deploy the above scenario, perform the following steps:

1. Install the Director in multi-tenant mode at the master site.
2. Install at least one Transporter at the master site.
3. Install at least one Transporter at each remote site.
4. For each tenant, prepare a separate folder at the master site for creating separate Backup Repositories.

Connections

The implementation of the above scenario requires that the following connections be available:

Connection	Description
A	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts that run source VMs at remote sites. The port used for communication with vCenter servers and ESXi hosts (443 by default) is open in firewalls.
B	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to machines at remote sites on which Transporters are installed. The port used for communication with the Transporters (9446 by default) is open in firewalls.
C	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts at the master site where VM replicas will be created. The port used for communication with vCenter servers and ESXi hosts (443 by default) is open in firewalls.
D	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to the machine at the master site where the Transporter is installed. The port used for communication with the Transporters (9446 by default) is open in firewalls.
E	Connection from the machine at the Master site where the Transporter is installed to ESXi hosts at the master site where VM replicas will be created.
F	Connection from the machine at the Master site where the Transporter is installed to machines at remote sites where Transporters are installed. The ports used for data transfer between a pair of Transporters are open in firewalls.
G	At remote sites, connections from machines on which Transporters are installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts running source VMs.

Note

For security purposes, a VPN connection should be established between the master site and remote sites.

Replication from a Remote Site to a Master Site

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Deployment Scenario

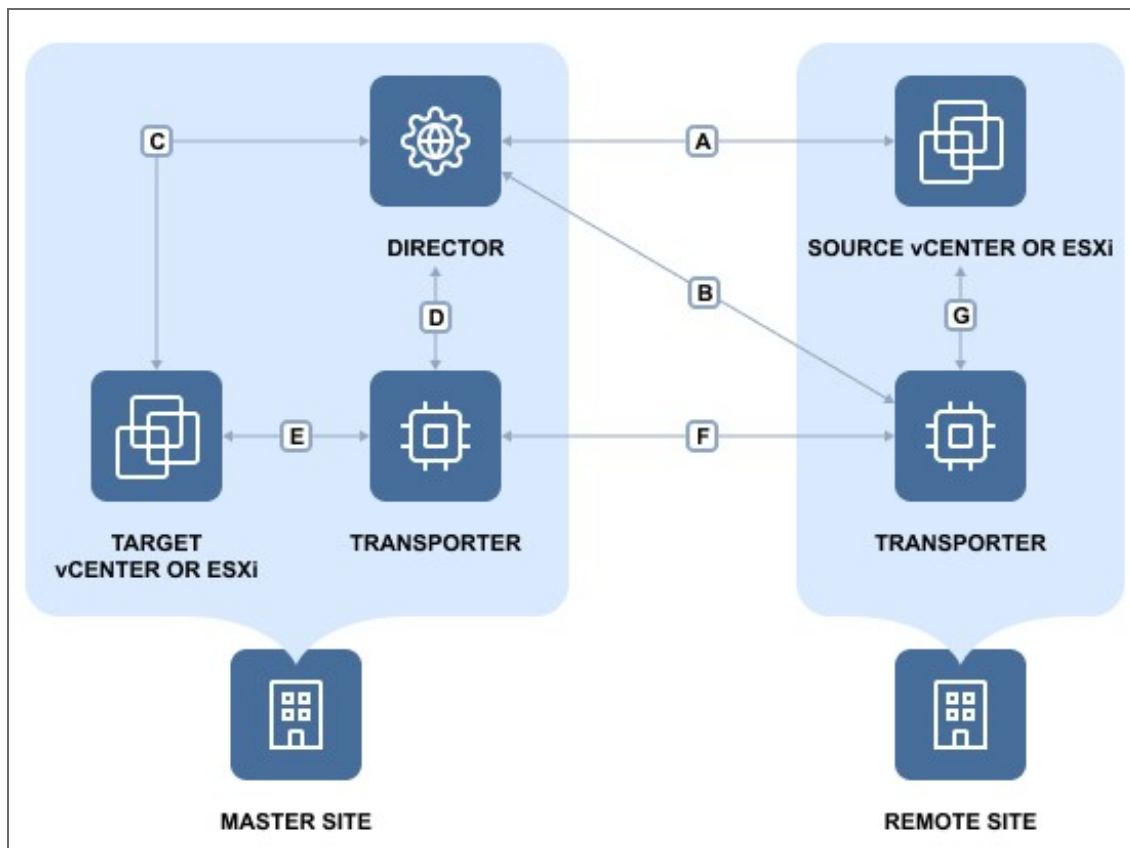
In this scenario, tenant VMs are running at remote sites and are replicated to a single master site.

Example

A service provider wants to introduce Replication-as-a-Service to customers and replicate their VMs to the service provider's datacenter.

Deployment Diagram

The deployment diagram for the above scenario is as follows:



Deployment Steps

To deploy the above scenario, perform the following steps:

1. Install the Director in multi-tenant mode at the master site.
2. Install at least one Transporter at the master site.
3. Install at least one Transporter at each remote site.
4. For each tenant, prepare a separate ESXi host that will serve as a replication target.

Connections

The implementation of the above scenario requires that the following connections be available:

Connection	Description
A	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts that run source VMs at remote sites. The port used for communication with vCenter servers and ESXi hosts (443 by default) is open in firewalls.
B	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to machines at remote sites on which Transporters are installed. The port used for communication with the Transporters (9446 by default) is open in firewalls.
C	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts at the master site where VM replicas will be created. The port used for communication with vCenter servers and ESXi hosts (443 by default) is open in firewalls.
D	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to the machine at the master site where the Transporter is installed. The port used for communication with the Transporters (9446 by default) is open in firewalls.
E	Connection from the machine at the master site where the Transporter is installed to ESXi hosts at the master site where VM replicas will be created.
F	Connection from the machine at the master site where the Transporter is installed to machines at remote sites where Transporters are installed. The ports used for data transfer between a pair of Transporters are open in firewalls.
G	At remote sites, connections from machines on which Transporters are installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts running source VMs.

Note

For security purposes, a VPN connection should be established between the master site and remote sites.

Local Backup at Remote Site

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Deployment Scenario

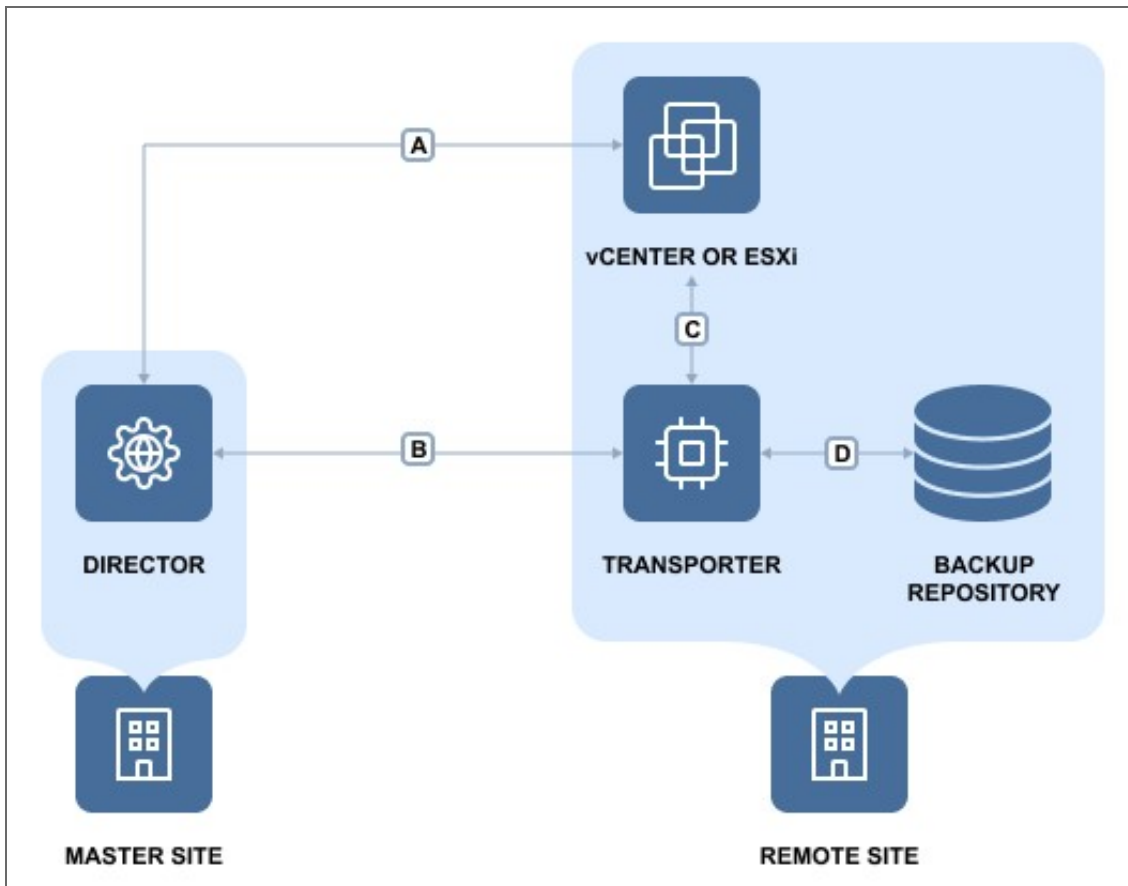
In this scenario, tenant VMs are running and backed up locally at the remote sites.

Example

An Enterprise has two branch offices running VMware virtual infrastructure. The IT manager located at the headquarters is responsible for the Enterprise data protection and needs to back up VMs locally at their branch offices to ensure fast operational recovery. Employees of the branch offices should have access to their VM backups and be able to recover their files and emails.

Deployment Diagram

The deployment diagram for the above scenario is as follows:



Deployment Steps

To deploy the above scenario, perform the following steps:

1. Install the Director in multi-tenant mode at the master site.
2. Install at least one Transporter at each remote site.
3. For each tenant, prepare a separate folder at a remote site for creating a Backup Repository.

Connections

The implementation of the above scenario requires that the following connections be available:

Connection	Description
A	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts that run source VMs at remote sites. The port used for communication with vCenter servers and ESXi hosts (443 by default) is open in firewalls.
B	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to machines at remote sites where the Transporters are installed. The port used for communication with the Transporters (9446 by default) is open in firewalls.
C	Connection from the machines on which the Transporters are installed at remote sites to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts running source VMs.

Note

For security purposes, a VPN connection should be established between the master site and remote sites.

Local Replication at Remote Site

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Deployment Scenario

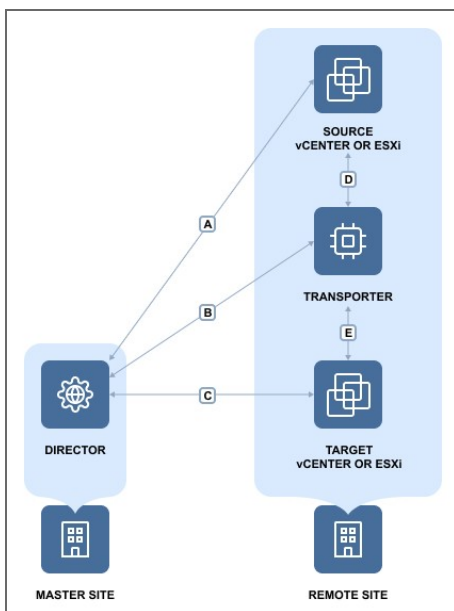
In this scenario, tenant VMs are running and replicated locally at the remote sites.

Example

An Enterprise has two branch offices running VMware virtual infrastructure. The IT manager located at the headquarters is responsible for the Enterprise data protection and needs to replicate business critical VMs locally at the branch offices for high availability.

Deployment Diagram

The deployment diagram for the above scenario is as follows:



Deployment Steps

To deploy the above scenario, perform the following steps:

1. Install the Director in multi-tenant mode at the master site.
2. Install at least one Transporter at each remote site.
3. For each tenant, prepare a separate folder at the remote site for creating a Backup Repository.

Connections

The implementation of the above scenario requires that the following connections be available:

Connection	Description
A	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts that run source VMs at remote sites. The port used for communication with vCenter servers and ESXi hosts (443 by default) is open in firewalls.
B	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to machines at remote sites where Transporters are installed. The port used for communication with the Transporters (9446 by default) is open in firewalls.
C	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts where VM replicas will be created at remote sites. The port used for communication with vCenter servers and ESXi hosts (443 by default) is open in firewalls.
D	At remote sites, connections from machines where Transporters are installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts running source VMs.
E	At remote sites, connections from machines where Transporters are installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts where VM replicas will be created.

Note

For security purposes, a VPN connection should be established between the master site and remote sites.

Backup at Master Site

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Deployment Scenario

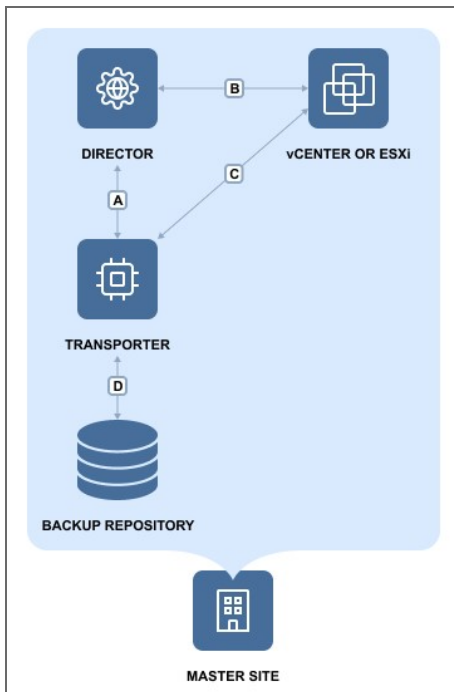
In this scenario, tenant VMs are running at the master site and the backing up of tenant VMs is also performed at the master site.

Example

A service provider runs VMs of customer A and customer B in the service provider's datacenter. The Service Provider seeks to offer Backup-as-a-Service to both customers. The customers should be able to recover their files and emails through a self-service interface without being able to see each other's backups.

Deployment Diagram

The deployment diagram for the above scenario is as follows:



Deployment Steps

To deploy the above scenario, perform the following steps:

1. Install the Director in multi-tenant mode at the master site.
2. Install at least one Transporter at the master site.

3. For each tenant, prepare a separate folder at the master site for creating a Backup Repository.

Connections

The implementation of the above scenario requires that the following connections be available:

Connection	Description
A	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to the machine on which the Transporter is installed. The port used for communication with the Transporters (9446 by default) is open in firewalls.
B	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts that run source VMs. The port used for communication with vCenter servers and ESXi hosts (443 by default) is open in firewalls.
C	Connection from the machine on which the Transporter is installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts running source VMs.
D	Connection from the machine on which the Transporter is installed to the folders where tenant Backup Repositories will be created.

Note

For security purposes, a VPN connection should be established between the master site and remote sites.

Replication at Master Site

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Deployment Scenario

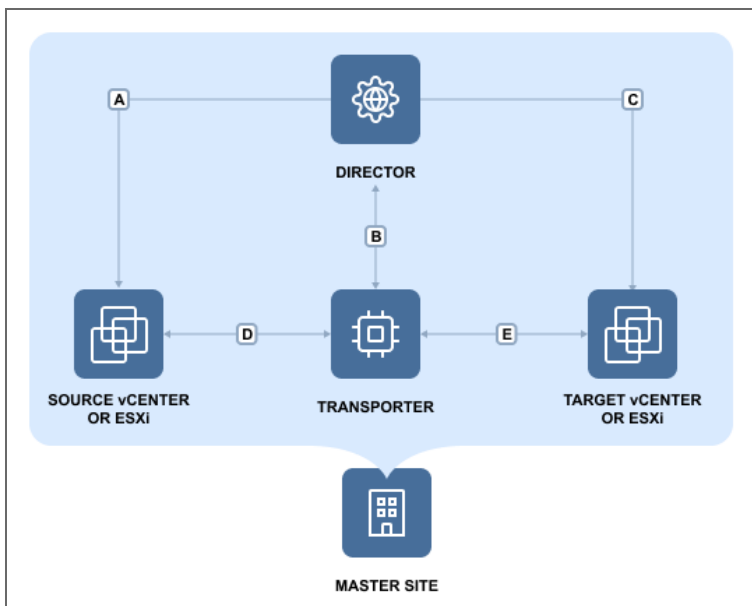
In this scenario, tenant VMs are running at the Master site and the replication of tenant VMs is also performed at the Master site.

Example

A service provider runs customers' VMs in the service provider's datacenter. To ensure high availability of tenant VMs, the service provider seeks to replicate customer VMs to a different server.

Deployment Diagram

The deployment diagram for the above scenario is as follows:



Deployment Steps

To deploy the above scenario, perform the following steps:

1. Install the Director in multi-tenant mode at the master site.
2. Install at least one Transporter at the master site.
3. For each tenant, prepare a separate ESXi host that will serve as a replication target.

Connections

The implementation of the above scenario requires that the following connections be available:

Connection	Description
A	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts that run source VMs. The port used for communication with vCenter servers and ESXi hosts (443 by default) is open in firewalls.
B	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to the machine on which the Transporter is installed. The port used for communication with the Transporters (9446 by default) is open in firewalls.
C	Connection from the machine on which the Director is installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts where VM replicas will be created. The port used for communication with vCenter servers and ESXi hosts (443 by default) is open in firewalls.
D	Connection from the machine on which the Transporter is installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts running source VMs.
E	Connection from the machine on which the Transporter is installed to vCenter servers and ESXi hosts where VM replicas will be created.

System Requirements

Before you start using NAKIVO Backup & Replication, make sure that the servers or machines that you plan to use as backup infrastructure components meet the requirements listed in the following topics:

- [“Supported Platforms” on page 135](#)
- [“Storage Integration Requirements” on page 138](#)
- [“Deployment Requirements” on page 141](#)
- [“Feature Requirements” on page 167](#)

Supported Platforms

NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides data protection for the following platforms:

- VMware vSphere v5.5 - v8.0U2

Notes

- To learn about the limitations of NAKIVO Backup & Replication related to supported platforms, refer to the Platform Limitations section of the latest [Release Notes](#).
- To add a supported platform to NAKIVO Backup & Replication, make sure that your system has been updated with the latest patch and all the necessary requirements are met.
- The support for sub-versions that are not stated in the user guide can be clarified with the [support team](#).

Find the necessary requirements below:

- [Hypervisor Requirements](#)
 - [VMware vSphere](#)
- [Public Cloud Requirements](#)
- [Cloud Region Requirements](#)

Hypervisor Requirements

To provide data protection for your virtual environments, make sure the following requirements are met:

VMware vSphere

- Full administrative permissions (recommended), or [limited permissions](#) are required.
- VPXA service must be running.

Public Cloud Requirements

Amazon S3, Backblaze, and Wasabi

Refer to [Required AWS IAM Permissions for Amazon S3, Backblaze, and Wasabi](#) for details.

Note

There is also an option for granting full IAM permissions for NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Microsoft Azure

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports the following storage account types:

Storage account type	Supported services	Supported access tiers
Standard general-purpose v2	Blob storage (including Data Lake Storage), Queue Storage, Table storage, and Azure Files	Hot, Cool
Standard general-purpose v1	Blob storage (including Data Lake Storage), Queue Storage, Table storage, and Azure Files	N/A

Refer to [“Configuring a Microsoft Azure Storage Account” on page 452](#) for more information.

Cloud Region Requirements

For **Amazon S3** or **Amazon EC2**, NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports the following regions:

- AWS GovCloud (US-West)
- AWS GovCloud (US-East)
- US East (Ohio)
- US East (N. Virginia)
- US West (N. California)
- US West (Oregon)
- Africa (Cape Town)
- Asia Pacific (Hong Kong)
- Asia Pacific (Hyderabad)
- Asia Pacific (Jakarta)
- Asia Pacific (Melbourne)
- Asia Pacific (Mumbai)
- Asia Pacific (Osaka)
- Asia Pacific (Seoul)
- Asia Pacific (Singapore)
- Asia Pacific (Sydney)
- Asia Pacific (Tokyo)
- Canada (Central)
- EU (Frankfurt)
- EU (Zurich)
- EU (Ireland)
- EU (London)
- EU (Milan)
- EU (Spain)

- EU (Paris)
- EU (Stockholm)
- Israel (Tel Aviv)
- Middle East (Bahrain)
- Middle East (UAE)
- South America (Sao Paulo)

For **Wasabi**, NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports the following regions:

- Wasabi US East 1 (N. Virginia)
- Wasabi US East 2 (N. Virginia)
- Wasabi US Central 1 (Texas)
- Wasabi US West 1 (Oregon)
- Wasabi CA Central 1 (Toronto)
- Wasabi EU West 1 (London)
- Wasabi EU West 2 (Paris)
- Wasabi EU Central 1 (Amsterdam)
- Wasabi EU Central 2 (Frankfurt)
- Wasabi AP Northeast 1 (Tokyo)
- Wasabi AP Northeast 2 (Osaka)
- Wasabi AP Southeast 1 (Singapore)
- Wasabi AP Southeast 2 (Sydney, Australia)

Storage Integration Requirements

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can be integrated with [deduplication appliances](#) including Dell EMC Data Domain, NEC HYDRAsstor, and HP StoreOnce (Catalyst) appliances by using an **Incremental-with-full-backups** repository. Deduplication appliances are servers designed to reduce data size and can be used as backup targets. They operate best with sequential large block I/O from backup software. Therefore, when backing up to a deduplication appliance, it is important to make sure that the architecture of your Backup Repository is optimized for these devices and your backups have a large block I/O. Only by doing this will you be able to maximize your backup speed. NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides advanced integration with the following storage solutions:

- [Dell-EMC Data Domain](#)
- [NEC HYDRAsstor](#)
- [HPE StoreOnce with Catalyst Support](#)
- [HPE 3PAR Storage](#)
- [HPE Nimble Storage](#)
- [HPE Primera Storage](#)
- [HPE Alletra Storage](#)

Dell-EMC Data Domain

Supported versions:

- Dell-EMC Data Domain 6.1 - 7.10

NEC HYDRAsstor

Supported systems:

- NEC HYDRAsstor v5.5.1 - 5.6.0
- NEC Storage HS Universal Express I/O Module Version v1.8.0 - 1.8.4

HPE StoreOnce with Catalyst Support

Supported versions:

- HPE StoreOnce 3.18.18
- HPE StoreOnce 4.2.3
- HPE StoreOnce 4.3.2
- HPE StoreOnce 4.3.6
- HPE StoreOnce 4.3.7

Integration requirements and limitations:

- NAKIVO Backup & Replication installed on Windows (x64) and Linux (x64) machines must have HPE StoreOnce Catalyst API Library.
- HPE StoreOnce Catalyst integration is not supported on devices with ARM7 and ARM64 (AArch64) processors.

Supported Maximums

StoreOnce Model	Maximum Sessions	Maximum Transporter Load	Maximum Recovery Points
VSA			
VSA Gen 4 (128+sessions)	128-256	6	7
HPE ProLiant Gen 10 (StoreOnce 4.2.3)			
3620	128	6	7
3640	192	6	14
5200	512	10	21
5250	512	10	21
5650	1024	16	30
HPE ProLiant Gen 9 (StoreOnce 3.18.18)			
3500	192	6	14
5100	320	10	14
5500	1000	16	30
6600	1024	16	30
HPE ProLiant Gen 8 (StoreOnce 3.18.18)			
4500	128	6	7
4700	192	6	14
4900	500	10	21
6500	512	10	21

HPE 3PAR Storage

An HPE 3PAR storage added to the NAKIVO Backup & Replication inventory allows you to back up VMware VMs from HPE 3PAR storage snapshots. For details, refer to <https://www.hpe.com/us/en/storage/3par.html>.

Supported versions:

- HPE 3PAR OS 3.1.2 and above

HPE Nimble Storage

An HPE Nimble storage device added to the NAKIVO Backup & Replication inventory allows you to back up VMware VMs from HPE Nimble storage snapshots. For details, refer to

<https://www.hpe.com/us/en/storage/nimble.html>.

Supported versions:

- HPE Nimble OS 5.0.2 and above

HPE Primera Storage

An HPE Primera storage device added to the NAKIVO Backup & Replication inventory allows you to back up VMware VMs from HPE Primera storage snapshots. For details, refer to

<https://www.hpe.com/us/en/storage/hpe-primera.html>.

Supported versions:

- HPE Primera OS 4.5 and above

HPE Alletra Storage

An HPE Alletra storage device added to the NAKIVO Backup & Replication inventory allows you to back up VMware VMs from HPE Alletra storage snapshots. For details, refer to <https://www.hpe.com/us/en/hpe-alletra.html>.

Supported versions:

- HPE Alletra OS 9.4

Supported devices:

- HPE Alletra 5000 series
- HPE Alletra 6000 series
- HPE Alletra 9000 series

Deployment Requirements

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can be deployed as a virtual appliance (VA) or installed directly onto a supported machine or network-attached storage (NAS). Below is the list of deployment requirements and performance-related recommendations.

- [Hardware](#)
 - [VM or Physical Machine](#)
 - [Network Attached Storage](#)
 - [Scalability and UI Performance](#)
- [Operating Systems](#)
- [Networking Requirements](#)
 - [Required TCP Ports](#)
 - [Network Conditions](#)
- [Web Browsers](#)

Hardware

VM or Physical Machine

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can be installed on a machine with the following minimum hardware characteristics:

Director and Onboard Transporter:

- **CPU:** x86-64, 2 cores
- **RAM:** 4 GB + 250 MB for each concurrent task
 - For SaaS Backup Repository-related activities:
 - additional 2 GB
 - additional 100 MB for each concurrent Java Transporter task
- **Free space:** 10 GB

Transporter only:

- **CPU:** x86-64, 2 cores
- **RAM:** 2 GB + 250 MB for each concurrent task
 - For SaaS Backup Repository-related activities:
 - additional 2 GB
 - additional 100 MB for each concurrent Java Transporter task
- **Free space:** 5 GB

Network Attached Storage

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can be installed on supported NAS with the following minimum hardware characteristics:

Director and Onboard Transporter:

- **CPU:** x86-64, 2 cores
- **RAM:** 1 GB + 250 MB for each concurrent task
 - For SaaS Backup Repository-related activities:
 - minimum total RAM: 4 GB
 - additional 100 MB for each concurrent Java Transporter task
- **Free space:** 10 GB

Transporter only:

- **CPU:** x86-64, 2 cores
- **RAM:** 512 MB
 - For SaaS Backup Repository-related activities:
 - minimum total RAM: 4 GB
 - additional 100 MB for each concurrent Java Transporter task
- **Free space:** 5 GB

Note

[Onboard Transporters](#) installed on NAS devices with ARM CPU do not support VMware infrastructures. Refer to [Transporter Does Not Support VMware vSphere](#) for a solution.

Supported NAS Devices

- **Synology:** For a full list of supported models, refer to [“Supported Synology NAS Devices” on page 162](#)
- **QNAP:** For a full list of supported models, refer to [“Supported QNAP NAS Devices” on page 155](#)
- **ASUSTOR:** For a full list of supported models, refer to [“Supported ASUSTOR NAS Devices” on page 150](#)
- **NETGEAR:** For a full list of supported. For a full list of supporter models, refer to [“Supported NETGEAR NAS Devices” on page 152.](#)
- **Western Digital:** For a full list of supported models, refer to [“Supported Western Digital NAS Devices” on page 166.](#)

Generic ARM-based NAS devices

The device for installing NAKIVO Backup & Replication should meet the following requirements:

- Single-board computer with ARMv7/ARMv8 CPU (e.g. Raspberry Pi 3 Model B+)
- 32/64-bit Linux-based OS supported by NAKIVO Backup & Replication
- Minimum 16 GB of onboard memory or microSD card for OS & software installation
- RAM: minimum 512 MB for Transporter-only installation; minimum 1 GB for full installation

- Separate microSD/HDD/SSD card for Repository storage
- Open ports for Director and Transporter (see Required TCP Ports)
- Enabled SSH protocol
- Active network connection

Raspberry Pi

The following Raspberry Pi models are supported:

- Full solution:
 - Raspberry Pi 4 Model B
 - Raspberry Pi 3 Model B+
- Transporter-only:
 - Raspberry Pi 3 Model A+

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can be installed on the supported Raspberry Pi machines with the following minimum hardware characteristics:

Director and Onboard Transporter:

- **RAM:** 1 GB + 250 MB for each concurrent task
- **Free space:** 16 GB

Transporter only:

- **RAM:** 512 MB + 250 MB for each concurrent task
- **Free space:** 16 GB

Scalability and UI Performance

For optimal user interface performance, it's important to allocate an appropriate amount of resources to your NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance. The following are the guidelines for allocating RAM to your instance based on the number of jobs created by this instance:

1. Up to 29 jobs: 2 GB of allocated RAM
2. 30–49 jobs: 4 GB of allocated RAM
3. 50–99 jobs: 8 GB of allocated RAM
4. 100–199 jobs: 16 GB of allocated RAM
5. 200+ jobs: 20 GB of allocated RAM

Note

The above guidelines refer to both active and disabled jobs.

If your instance has less than the recommended amount of allocated RAM for the respective number of jobs, consider adding more resources to the machine hosting the instance.

The machines used to open product web UI should meet the following requirements:

- **Processor:** 1.5 GHz or higher
- **RAM:** 1 GB or more
- **Display resolution:** 1366x768 pixels or higher
- **Web browser:** Mozilla Firefox or Google Chrome
- Cookies, Javascript and images must be enabled in the web browser.

Operating Systems

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can be installed on the following operating systems:

Note

- SELinux module must be disabled to install NAKIVO Backup & Replication on Linux.
- Installation on Windows Core is currently not supported.

Windows

- Microsoft Windows Server 2022 (21H2) (x64)
- Microsoft Windows Server 20H2 (x64)
- Microsoft Windows Server 2019 Standard (x64)
- Microsoft Windows Server 2016 Standard (x64)
- Microsoft Windows Server 2012 R2 Standard (x64)
- Microsoft Windows Server 2012 Standard (x64)
- Microsoft Windows 11 (x64)
- Microsoft Windows 10 Enterprise (x64)
- Microsoft Windows 10 Home (x64)
- Microsoft Windows 10 Professional (x64)

Linux

- Debian 12.1 (64-bit)
- Debian 11.7 (64-bit)
- Debian 11.6 (64-bit)
- Debian 11.5 (64-bit)
- Debian 11.4 (64-bit)
- Debian 11.3 (64-bit)
- Debian 11.2 (64-bit)
- Debian 11.1 (64-bit)
- Debian 11.0 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.13 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.12 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.11 (64-bit)

- Debian 10.10 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.9 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.8 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.7 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.6 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.5 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.4 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.3 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.2 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.1 (64-bit)
- Ubuntu 22.04 Server LTS (x64)
- Ubuntu 20.04 Server (x64)
- Ubuntu 18.04 Server (x64)
- Ubuntu 16.04 Server (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP4 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP3 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP2 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP1 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 12 SP5 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 12 SP4 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 12 SP3 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 12 SP2 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 12 SP1 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9.2 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9.1 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9.0 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.6 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.5 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.4 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.3 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.2 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.1 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.0 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.9 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.8 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.7 (x64)

- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.6 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.5 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.4 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.2 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.1 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.0 (x64)
- CentOS Stream 9 (x64)
- CentOS Stream 8 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 8.4 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 8.3 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 8.2 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 8.1 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 8.0 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.9 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.8 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.7 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.6 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.5 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.4 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.3 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.2 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.1 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.0 (x64)
- AlmaLinux 8.7 - 9.1 (x64)

NAS

- ASUSTOR ADM v3.5 - v4.2
- Netgear ReadyNAS OS v6.10.3
- Netgear ReadyNAS OS v6.9
- Synology DSM v6.0 - v7.2.1
- QNAP QTS v4.3 - v5.1.2
- QNAP QuTS Hero h4.5.3 - h5.1
- QNAP QuTScloud v4.5.1 - v5.0.1
- WD MyCloud v5
- TrueNAS CORE v12 - v13
- FreeNAS 11.3

Supported Operating System Localizations

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can be installed on a supported OS with the following OS localization:

- English
- Italian
- German
- French
- Spanish

Networking Requirements

Required TCP Ports

NAKIVO Backup & Replication requires the following TCP ports to be open for a successful operation:

TCP Port (Default)	Where	Description
NAKIVO Backup & Replication		
4443	Director	Used to access the Director web UI. Must be opened on the Director machine.
9446	Transporter	Used by Director and Transporters to communicate with the Transporter. Must be opened on the Transporter machine.
9448 - 10000	Transporter	Used by Transporters for cross-Transporter data transfer. Must be opened on the Transporter machine.
VMware		
443	vCenter Server, ESXi host	Used by Director and Transporters to access VMware infrastructure. Must be opened on vCenter Servers and ESXi hosts.
902	ESXi host	Used by Transporters to access VMware infrastructure. Must be opened on ESXi hosts.
3260	Transporter, ESXi host	Used by Proxy Transporters to access VMware infrastructure during a Flash boot. Must be opened on the Transporter machine and the ESXi host used as the target for a Flash boot.

Hyper-V		
137 - 139	Hyper-V hosts	Used by Director to upload files and install configuration service. Must be opened on Hyper-V servers.
445	Hyper-V hosts	Used by Director to upload files and install configuration service.
5986 (opens automatically)	Hyper-V hosts	Used by Transporter to add a host to inventory and establish a connection with it.
9445 (opens automatically)	Hyper-V hosts	Used by Director to upload files and install configuration service. Must be opened on Hyper-V host if NAKIVO Backup & Replication is installed on a host and this host is added to inventory simultaneously.
9446 (opens automatically)	Hyper-V hosts	Used by Director and Transporters to communicate with the Transporter. Must be opened on Used by Transporters for cross-Transporter data transfer. Must be opened on the Transporter machine. the Transporter machine.
9448 -10000 (opens automatically)	Hyper-V hosts	Used by Transporters for cross-Transporter data transfer. Must be opened on the Transporter machine.
Physical machine (Windows)		
445	Windows machine	Used by Director to upload files and install configuration service via SMB.
9446 (opens automatically)	Windows machine	Used to create the Transporter installed by default.
Physical machine (Linux)		
22	Linux machine	Used by Director to access a Linux physical machine via SSH.
9446 (opens automatically)	Linux machine	Used to create the Transporter installed by default.

Network Conditions

NAKIVO Backup & Replication has been tested to work in the following minimal network conditions:

- **Latency (RTT):** Up to 250 ms
- **Packet loss:** Up to 1 %
- **Bandwidth:** 1 Mb/s or higher
- **ICMP ping traffic:** It should be allowed on all hosts on which NAKIVO Backup & Replication components are installed as well as on all source and target hosts.

Web Browsers

NAKIVO Backup & Replication user interface can be accessed through the following web browsers:

- Google Chrome: Version 80 or higher
- Mozilla Firefox: Version 74 or higher

Supported ASUSTOR NAS Devices

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports the following ASUSTOR NAS devices :

Director and Onboard Transporter

- AS3102T
- AS3102T v2
- AS3104T
- AS3202T
- AS3204T
- AS3204T v2
- AS4002T
- AS4004T
- AS5202T
- AS5304T
- AS5002T
- AS5004T
- AS5008T
- AS5010T
- AS6102T
- AS6104T
- AS6302T
- AS5102T
- AS5104T
- AS5108T
- AS5110T
- AS6202T
- AS6204T
- AS6208T
- AS6210T
- AS6404T
- AS6204RS / AS6204RD
- AS-609RS / AS-609RD
- AS7004T
- AS7008T
- AS7010T
- AS6212RD
- AS7009RD / AS7009RDX
- AS7012RD / AS7012RDX
- AS-602T
- AS-604RS / AS-604RD
- AS-604T

- AS-606T
- AS-608T
- AS6508T
- AS6510T
- AS7110T
- AS6602T
- AS6604T
- AS7116RDX
- AS7112RDX
- AS1102T
- AS1104T
- AS3302T
- AS3304T
- AS6504RD
- AS6504RS
- AS6512RD
- AS5402T
- AS5404T
- FS6706T
- FS6712X
- AS1102T Lite
- AS1104T Gen 2
- AS3304T Gen 2

Transporter Only

- AS1002T
- AS1002T v2
- AS1004T
- AS1004T v2

For minimum hardware requirements, refer to [“Network Attached Storage” on page 142](#).

Supported NETGEAR NAS Devices

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports the following NETGEAR NAS devices:

Director and Onboard Transporter

- RN51600
- RN51661D
- RN51661E
- RN51662D
- RN51662E
- RN51663D
- RN51663E
- RN51664E
- ReadyNAS 524X
- ReadyNAS 526X
- ReadyNAS 528X
- ReadyNAS 626X
- ReadyNAS 628X
- RN716X
- RN628X
- RN626X
- RN528X
- RN526X
- RN524X
- RN31600
- RN31661D
- RN31661E
- RN31662D
- RN31662E
- RN31663D
- RN31663E
- RN31664E
- ReadyNAS 422
- ReadyNAS 424
- ReadyNAS 426
- ReadyNAS 428
- RN516
- RN426
- RN424
- RN422
- RN31400
- RN31421D

- RN31441D
- RN31441E
- RN31442D
- RN31442E
- RN31443D
- RN31443E
- RN316
- RN31200
- RN31211D
- RN31212D
- RN31221D
- RN31221E
- RN31222D
- RN31222E
- RN31223D
- RN314
- RN312
- RN322121E
- RN322122E
- RN322123E
- RN322124E
- RN32261E
- RN32262E
- RN32263E
- RN4220S
- RN4220X
- RN422X122
- RN422X123
- RN422X124
- RN422X62E
- RN422X63E
- RN422X64E
- RR2304
- RN21241D
- RN21241E
- RN21243D
- RN21243E
- RN3130
- RN31342E
- RN3138
- RN3220
- RR2312
- RR3312

- RN4220
- RR4312X
- RR4312S
- RR4360X
- RR4360S
- RN202
- RN204
- RN212
- RN214
- RN2120

Transporter Only

- RN102
- RN10200
- RN10211D
- RN10221D
- RN10222D
- RN10223D
- RN104
- RN10400
- RN10421D
- RN10441D
- RN10442D
- RN10443D

For minimum hardware requirements, refer to [“Network Attached Storage” on page 142](#)

Supported QNAP NAS Devices

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports the following QNAP NAS Devices:

Director and Onboard Transporter

- HS-251+
- HS-453DX
- TS-251
- TS-251+
- TS-251A
- TS-251B
- TS-253Be
- TS-328
- TS-332X
- TS-351
- TS-431P
- TS-431P2
- TS-431X
- TS-431X2
- TS-431XeU
- TS-432XU
- TS-432XU-RP
- TS-451
- TS-451+
- TS-451A
- IS-400 Pro
- IS-453S
- TBS-453A
- TBS-453DX
- TS-128A
- TS-131P
- TS-231P
- TS-231P2
- TS-253 Pro
- TS-253A
- TS-253B
- TS-228A
- TS-451U
- TS-453 mini
- TS-453 Pro
- TS-453A
- TS-453B

- TS-453Be
- TS-453Bmini
- TS-453BT3
- TS-453BU
- TS-453BU-RP
- TS-453U
- TS-453U-RP
- TS-463U
- TS-463U-RP
- TS-463XU
- TS-463XU-RP
- TS-473
- TS-563
- TS-653 Pro
- TS-653A
- TS-653B
- TS-653B
- TS-673
- TS-677
- TS-832X
- TS-832XU
- TS-832XU-RP
- TS-853 Pro
- TS-853A
- TS-853BU
- TS-853BU-RP
- TS-853U
- TS-853U-RP
- TS-863U
- TS-863U-RP
- TS-863XU
- TS-863XU-RP
- TS-873
- TS-873U
- TS-873U-RP
- TS-877
- TS-877XU
- TS-877XU-RP
- TS-883XU
- TS-883XU-RP
- TS-932X
- TS-963X
- TS-977XU

- TS-977XU-RP
- TS-983XU
- TS-983XU-RP
- TS-1232XU
- TS-1232XU-RP
- TS-1253BU
- TS-1253BU-RP
- TS-1253U
- TS-1253U-RP
- TS-1263U-RP
- TS-1263U
- TS-1263XU
- TS-1263XU-RP
- TS-1273U
- TS-1273U-RP
- TS-1277
- TS-1277XU-RP
- TS-1283XU-RP
- TS-1635AX
- TS-1673U
- TS-1673U-RP
- TS-1677X
- TS-1677XU-RP
- TS-1683XU-RP
- TS-1685
- TS-2477XU-RP
- TS-2483XU-RP
- TVS-463
- TVS-471
- TVS-472XT
- TVS-473e
- TVS-473
- TVS-663
- TVS-671
- TVS-672XT
- TVS-673
- TVS-673e
- TVS-682
- TVS-682T
- TVS-863
- TVS-863+
- TVS-871
- TVS-871T

- TVS-871U-RP
- TVS-872XT
- TVS-872XU
- TVS-872XU-RP
- TVS-873e
- TVS-873
- TVS-882
- TVS-882T
- TVS-882ST2
- TVS-882BR
- TVS-882BRT3
- TVS-882ST3
- TVS-951X
- TVS-972XU
- TVS-972XU-RP
- TVS-1271U-RP
- TVS-1272XU-RP
- TVS-1282
- TVS-1282T
- TVS-1282T3
- TVS-1582TU
- TVS-1672XU-RP
- TVS-2472XU-RP
- SS-EC1279U-SAS-RP
- SS-EC1879U-SAS-RP
- SS-EC2479U-SAS-RP
- TDS-16489U
- TES-3085U
- TES-1885U
- TS-EC880U
- TS-EC880U R2
- TS-EC1280U
- TS-EC1280U R2
- TS-EC1680U
- TS-EC1680U R2
- TS-EC2480U
- TS-EC2480U R2
- TVS-EC880
- TVS-EC1080
- TVS-EC1080+
- TVS-EC1280U-SAS-RP
- TVS-EC1580MU-SAS-RP
- TVS-EC1680U-SAS-RP

- TVS-EC1680U-SAS-RP R2
- TVS-EC2480U-SAS-RP
- TVS-EC2480U-SAS-RP R2
- TVS-EC2480U-SAS-RP R2
- TVS-EC1580MU-SAS-RP R2
- TVS-EC1280U-SAS-RP R2
- TDS-16489U-SE1-R2
- TDS-16489U-SE2-R2
- TDS-16489U-SF2-R2
- TDS-16489U-SF3-R2
- TS-2888X-W2195-512G
- TS-2888X-W2195-256G
- TS-2888X-W2195-128G
- TS-2888X-W2175-512G
- TS-2888X-W2175-256G
- TS-2888X-W2175-128G
- TS-2888X-W2145-512G
- TS-2888X-W2145-256G
- TS-2888X-W2145-128G
- TS-2888X-W2133-64G
- TS-2888X-W2123-32G
- ES2486dc
- TS-1886XU-RP
- TS-230
- TS-251C
- TS-251D
- TS-253D
- TS-451DeU
- TS-453D
- TS-653B
- TS-653D
- TS-h1277XU-RP
- TS-h1283XU-RP
- TS-h977XU-RP
- TVS-472XT-PT
- TVS-672N
- TVS-872N
- TVS-EC2480U-SAS-RP-R2
- TS-431P3
- TS-231P3
- TS-431X3
- TS-h686-D1602
- TS-h886-D1622

- TS-873AU
- TS-873AU-RP
- TS-1273AU-RP
- TS-1673AU-RP
- TS-932PX
- GM-1001
- TS-432PXU
- TS-432PXU-RP
- TS-832PXU
- TS-832PXU-RP
- TS-1232PXU-RP
- TS-451D2
- TS-h2490FU-7232P-64G
- TS-h2490FU-7302P-128G
- TS-h1886XU-RP
- TS-h1683XU-RP
- TS-h2483XU-RP
- TVS-h1288X
- TVS-h1688X
- TS-h973AX-8G
- TS-h973AX-32G
- TS-832PX
- TS-h3088XU-RP-W1270-64G
- TS-h3088XU-RP-W1250-32G
- TS-453DU-4G
- TS-873A
- TS-EC879U-RP
- TS-831X-4G
- TS-831X-8G
- TS-831X-16G
- TS-EC879U-RP
- TS-h987XU-RP
- TS-h3077AFU
- TS-h1277AXU-RP
- TS-h1677AXU-RP
- TVS-h674T
- TVS-h874T
- TBS-574TX
- TS-AI642
- TS-855X
- TS-879U-RP
- TS-262
- TS-462

- TS-h1887XU-RP
- TVS-h874
- TS-1655
- TS-855eU
- TS-473A
- TS-673A

For minimum hardware requirements, refer to [“Network Attached Storage”](#) on page 142.

Supported Synology NAS Devices

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports the following Synology NAS devices:

Director and Onboard Transporter

- FS3017
- FS2017
- FS1018
- RS18017xs+
- RS18016xs+
- RS10613xs+
- RS4017xs+
- RS3618xs
- RS3617xs+
- RS3617RPxs
- RS3617xs
- RS3614xs+
- RS3614RPxs
- RS3614xs
- RS3413xs+
- RS3412RPxs
- RS3412xs
- RS3411RPxs
- RS3411xs
- RS2818RP+
- RS2418RP+
- RS2418+
- RS2416RP+
- RS2416+
- RS2414RP+
- RS2414+
- RS2212RP+
- RS2212+
- RS2211RP+
- RS2211+
- RS1619xs+
- RS1219+
- RS818RP+
- RS818+
- RS816
- RS815RP+
- RS815+

- RS815
- RS814RP+
- RS814+
- RS814
- RS812RP+
- RS812+
- RS810RP+
- RS810+
- RC18015xs+
- DS3617xs
- DS3615xs
- DS3612xs
- DS3611xs
- DS3018xs
- DS2415+
- DS2413+
- DS2411+
- DS2015xs
- DS1819+
- DS1817+
- DS1817
- DS1815+
- DS1813+
- DS1812+
- DS1618+
- DS1517+
- DS1517
- DS1515+
- DS1515
- DS1513+
- DS1512+
- DS1511+
- DS918+
- DS916+
- DS718+
- DS716+II
- DS716+
- DS715
- DS713+
- DS712+
- DS710+
- DS418
- DS418play

- DS418j
- DS416
- DS416play
- DS415+
- DS414
- DS412+
- DS411+II
- DS411+
- DS218+
- DS218
- DS218play
- DS216+II
- DS216+
- DS216play
- DS215+
- DS214+
- DS118
- DS116
- DS1019+
- DS2419+
- DS420+
- DS420j
- DS620slim
- DS720+
- DS920+
- FS3400
- FS3600
- FS6400
- RS819
- RS820+
- RS820RP+
- SA3200D
- SA3400
- SA3600
- DS1520+
- DS1621+
- DS1621xs+
- DS1821+
- RS1221+
- RS1221RP+
- RS2421+
- RS2421RP+
- RS4021xs+

- RS2423+
- RS2423RP+
- DS124
- DS224+
- DS223j
- DS723+
- DS273+
- DS223
- DS1823xs+
- DS1821Plus
- DS423+
- DS423
- SA3400D
- SA3610
- SA3410

Transporter Only

- RS217
- RS214
- DS416slim
- DS416j
- DS414slim
- DS414j
- DS218j
- DS216
- DS216j
- DS215j
- DS214
- DS213j
- DS115
- DS114
- DS220j
- DS419slim

Important

For minimum hardware requirements, refer to [“Network Attached Storage” on page 142.](#)

Supported Western Digital NAS Devices

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports the following Western Digital NAS devices for Director and Onboard installation:

- MyCloud DL2100
- MyCloud DL4100
- MyCloud PR2100
- MyCloud PR4100

For minimum hardware requirements, refer to [“Network Attached Storage” on page 142](#).

Feature Requirements

Some NAKIVO Backup & Replication features require certain conditions in order to function properly. To learn about the limitations of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, refer to the Feature Limitations section of the latest [Release Notes](#). The requirements for product features are listed below.

- [Auto-Update](#)
- [Hot Add](#)
- [File Recovery](#)
- [File Share Backup](#)
- [Object Recovery and Log Truncation for Microsoft Exchange Server](#)
- [Object Recovery and Log Truncation for Microsoft SQL Server](#)
- [Object Recovery for Microsoft Active Directory](#)
- [Site Recovery](#)
- [Real-Time Replication \(Beta\) for VMware](#)
- [Cross-Platform Recovery](#)
- [App-Aware Mode](#)
- [Encrypted Backup Repository](#)
- [Direct Connect](#)
- [Native Tape Support](#)
- [Backup Immutability](#)
- [VM Limitation for Multi-Tenancy](#)
- [Monitoring](#)
- [Permanent VM Agent](#)
- [External Database](#)
- [Generic S3-Compatible Object Storage](#)
- [Merge Jobs](#)
- [MSP Console](#)
- [Backup Malware Scan](#)
- [Universal Transporter](#)

Auto-Update

Auto-update is available for instances of NAKIVO Backup & Replication installed on the following operating systems:

- Linux
- Windows

Note

Auto-update is not supported for NAS systems.

Auto-update is available for the following types of Transporters:

- Auto-injected Transporters on Linux (includes physical Transporters)
- Manually installed Transporters on Linux
- Auto-injected Transporters on Windows (includes Hyper-V and physical Transporters)
- Manually installed Transporters on Windows
- Auto-injected Transporters in AWS (Linux)
- Auto-injected Transporter in VMware (Linux)

Note

Manually installed Transporters on Linux and Windows must be v10.8 or newer to support auto-update.

Before initiating an auto-update, make sure that the following conditions are met:

- If updating a manually installed Transporter on Linux or Windows, make sure that you have configured a **Master Password** for the Transporter in the [Managing Credentials](#) menu.
- At least 1 GB of free space is available on the machine on which the full solution is installed.
- If you have a perpetual license, your Maintenance & Support period is active. You can verify this on the product [Licensing](#) page.

Note

To maintain maximum security on your Linux OS, always keep it up-to-date; however, if necessary, you may disable auto-updates by editing the `/etc/apt/apt.conf.d/20auto-upgrades` file.

For more details, refer to <https://linuxconfig.org/disable-automatic-updates-on-ubuntu-22-04-jammy-jellyfish-linux>.

Hot Add

In order for the Hot Add feature to work for VMware VM backup, replication, and recovery, the following requirements must be met:

- The Transporter that will be reading or writing data from/to the VM disks should run on a VM.
- The Transporter VM should:
 - Be available in the product [Inventory](#),
 - Run on a host that has access to the datastore(s) with the VM disks, Run in the same datacenter as the VM that is to be processed.

A single SCSI controller on the VM hosting NAKIVO Backup & Replication can support up to 15 disks including the system disk of the VM with NAKIVO Backup & Replication and mounted disks of the Backup Repository. To process VMs with a total number of disks that is larger than that limit, it is necessary to install one or more additional SCSI controllers.

File Recovery

Recovered files can be downloaded or sent via email. They can also be recovered to a server or file share. Before using the feature, make sure the following packages and services are installed/running either on the (proxy) transporter or target server depending on the selected recovery method:

Microsoft Windows

- Net Security package should be installed
- Microsoft iSCSI Initiator service should be installed and running
- *net.exe* utility should be installed
- SMB 2/CIFS File Sharing Support feature should be turned on
- PowerShell should be version 2.0 or above
- PowerShell ISE should be available

Ubuntu Linux

- *openssh-server* package should be installed
- *sshd* service should be running
- *parted* utility should be installed
- *fdisk* utility should be installed
- *open-iscsi* package should be installed
- *iscsiadm* utility should be installed
- *iscsid* utility should be installed
- *iscsid* service should be running (for v16.04 and v18.04)
- *iscsi_tcp* module should be installed
- *SELinux* service should be disabled

SUSE Linux Enterprise Server (SLES)

- *openssh-server* package should be installed
- *sshd* service should be running
- *parted* utility should be installed
- *fdisk* utility should be installed
- *open-iscsi* package should be installed
- *iscsiadm* utility should be installed
- *iscsid* utility should be installed
- *iscsid* service should be running (for v12)

- *iscsi_tcp* module should be installed
- *SELinux* service should be disabled

Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL)

- *openssh-server* package should be installed
- *sshd* service should be running
- *parted* utility should be installed
- *fdisk* utility should be installed
- *iscsi-initiator* package should be installed
- *iscsiadm* utility should be installed
- *iscsid* utility should be installed
- *iscsid* service should be running
- *iscsi_tcp* module should be installed
- *SELinux* service should be disabled

Note

File recovery is not supported for 4K sector size drives and datastores. Refer to [How to Check Drive and Datastore Sector Size](#) for more information.

Below are the requirements which must be met for each recovery method.

Downloading Files to Browser or Sending Files via Email

The following file systems are supported:

- If the Transporter assigned to the backup repository is installed on Windows:
 - NTFS
 - FAT32
 - ReFS
- If the Transporter assigned to the backup repository is installed on Linux:
 - NTFS
 - FAT32
 - EXT2
 - EXT3
 - EXT4
 - XFS
 - SwapLinux
- For the ReiserFS file system, it is necessary to install the *linux-image-extra-virtual* package for Ubuntu.:

```
apt-get -y install linux-image-extra-virtual
```

- Linux VMs where Transporter is deployed should have the *lvm2* package installed to allow mounting LVM volumes.
- The *ntfs-3g* package should be installed along with Transporter on Linux to allow recognizing NTFS partitions.

Recovering Files to Server

To recover files to a server, make sure you meet the following requirements:

Supported OS

- **Windows**
 - Windows Server 2022 (21H2) (x64)
 - Windows Server 20H2 (20H2) (x64)
 - Microsoft Windows Server 2022 (x64)
 - Microsoft Windows Server 2019 Standard (x64)
 - Microsoft Windows Server 2016 Standard (x64)
 - Microsoft Windows Server 2012 R2 Standard (x64)
 - Microsoft Windows Server 2012 Standard (x64)
 - Microsoft Windows 11 (21H2/22H2) (x64)
 - Microsoft Windows 11 (x64)
 - Windows 10 Enterprise (20H2 / 21H1 / 21H2) (x64)
 - Microsoft Windows 10 Home (x64)
 - Microsoft Windows 10 Professional (x64)
- **Linux**
 - Debian 12.1 (64-bit)
 - Debian 11.7 (64-bit)
 - Debian 11.6 (64-bit)
 - Debian 11.5 (64-bit)
 - Debian 11.4 (64-bit)
 - Debian 11.3 (64-bit)
 - Debian 11.2 (64-bit)
 - Debian 11.1 (64-bit)
 - Debian 11.0 (64-bit)
 - Debian 10.13 (64-bit)
 - Debian 10.12 (64-bit)
 - Debian 10.11 (64-bit)
 - Debian 10.10 (64-bit)
 - Debian 10.9 (64-bit)

- Debian 10.8 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.7 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.6 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.5 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.4 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.3 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.2 (64-bit)
- Debian 10.1 (64-bit)
- Ubuntu 22.04 Server LTS (x64)
- Ubuntu 20.04 Server (x64)
- Ubuntu 18.04 Server (x64)
- Ubuntu 16.04 Server (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP4 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP3 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP2 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP1 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 12 SP5 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 12 SP4 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 12 SP3 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 12 SP2 (x64)
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 12 SP1 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9.2 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9.1 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9.0 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.8 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.7 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.6 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.5 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.4 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.3 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.2 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.1 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.0 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.9 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.8 (x64)
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- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.2 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.1 (x64)
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.0 (x64)
- CentOS Stream 9 (x64)
- CentOS Stream 8 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 8.5 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 8.4 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 8.3 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 8.2 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 8.1 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 8.0 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.9 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.8 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.7 (x64)
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- CentOS Linux 7.5 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.4 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.3 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.2 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.1 (x64)
- CentOS Linux 7.0 (x64)
- AlmaLinux 8.7 - 9.1 (x64)

TCP Ports

Connection to the following TCP ports should be allowed by the firewall of the target system:

- *22* – Used by SSH for secure logins, file transfers (scp, sftp) and port forwarding.
- *9445* – Used by NAKIVO Backup & Replication to communicate with the VM.
- *10000* – Used by NAKIVO Backup & Replication for iSCSI communication.

Note

ICMP Ping traffic should be allowed by the firewall of the target system.

Permissions

The following permissions for Microsoft Windows VMs should be granted:

- Users should be members of a local Administrators group.
- Users should have access to default administrative shares.
- Users should have permissions to access the corresponding folder\file.
- Users should have executive permissions for running some utilities, for example, `net . exe` utility.
- User Account Control (UAC) remote restrictions should be disabled for some Microsoft Windows versions.
- Users should have permissions to "Log on as a batch job".

The following permissions and settings should be set up for Linux VMs:

- Users should belong to the `sudo` group to complete recovering files to server successfully.
- Users should have executive permissions for running some utilities, for example, `/sbin/parted`, `/sbin/fdisk`, `/sbin /iscsiadm`, `/sbin/iscsid`.
- PasswordAuthentication should be set to "yes".
- Provide special permissions to NAKIVO recovery service. For more details, refer to [Required Permissions for Linux Recovery Server](#).

Recovering Files to File Share

The following file share types are supported:

- NFS
- CIFS

The target share must have one of the following protocols installed:

- NFS 3.x
- SMB 2.x
- SMB 3.x

To recover file/folder attributes or encrypted files, the machine on which the Transporter is installed, recovery share, and backed up machine must have the same OS capabilities and file system type. To avoid potential issues while conducting file recovery, ensure the following:

- If the target is an NFS file share, check that `nfs-utils` is installed.
- If the target is a CIFS share, add a localhost domain to the user credentials (e.g. `localhost\Administrator`).

File Share Backup

The following requirements must be met to use the feature:

- File shares must be located on a NAS, Windows Server, Linux Server, or Nutanix File Server that supports the NFS or CIFS/SMB protocol.
- Read permission is required to back up the file shares.
- Read/write permission is required to restore to a file share.

- To use NFS file shares with Windows, NFS client feature must be enabled.
- File shares with the following protocols are supported:
 - NFS 3.x
 - SMB 2.x
 - SMB 3.x
- The following operating systems do **not** support any NFS Server versions:
 - Windows 7
 - Windows 8.1
 - Windows 10

Object Recovery and Log Truncation for Microsoft Exchange

To successfully perform object recovery and log truncation for Microsoft Exchange, make sure you meet the following requirements:

Supported Microsoft Exchange versions

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports the following versions of Microsoft Exchange for object recovery and log truncation:

- Microsoft Exchange 2019
- Microsoft Exchange 2016
- Microsoft Exchange 2013

Permissions

The following requirements should be met for log truncation:

- Selected users should have permissions to "Log on as a batch job".
- Active Directory Module For Windows PowerShell must be installed.
- The VM must be accessible over network.
- The following user permissions should be provided:
 - If NAKIVO Backup & Replication uses the administrator user account, it should belong to the following groups:
 - Administrators
 - Domain Users
 - Organization Management
 - If NAKIVO Backup & Replication uses accounts other than the `administrator` user account:
 - The user should belong to the following groups:
 - Administrators
 - Domain Users
 - Organizational Management

- The user should have the Full control permission granted for the folder in which the Exchange database is located.

Services and Settings

NAKIVO Backup & Replication requires PowerShell v2 or later to be available on the Microsoft Exchange machine.

- VMware VM must be running on VMware ESXi 5.0 and later.
- VMware Tools or Hyper-V Integration Services must be running on VMware or Hyper-V VMs correspondingly.

Object Recovery and Log Truncation for Microsoft SQL Server

To successfully perform object recovery and log truncation for a Microsoft SQL Server, you must meet general requirements as well as requirements for object recovery and log truncation.

General Requirements

To successfully perform object recovery and log truncation for a Microsoft SQL Server, make sure you meet the following general requirements:

Supported Versions of Microsoft SQL Server

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports the following versions of Microsoft SQL Server for object recovery and log truncation:

- Microsoft SQL Server 2022
- Microsoft SQL Server 2019
- Microsoft SQL Server 2017
- Microsoft SQL Server 2016
- Microsoft SQL Server 2014
- Microsoft SQL Server 2012

Supported Editions

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports the following editions of Microsoft SQL Server:

- Enterprise
- Standard
- Web
- Developer
- Express edition

Permissions

- A user logging in to Microsoft SQL Server must have a `sysadmin` role.
- The user running Microsoft SQL Service should have permissions to "Log on as a batch job".

Services and Settings

- NAKIVO Backup & Replication requires PowerShell v2 or later.
- VMware Tools or Hyper-V Integration Services must be running on VMware or Hyper-V VMs correspondingly.
- `sqlcmd` utility must be installed on the machine running Microsoft SQL server.
- Ports 137-139 must be opened for `cifs`.
- The SMB 2 protocol should be enabled.

Requirements for Microsoft SQL Server Object Recovery

- The user running Microsoft SQL service must have executive permissions to the `Data` folder and all other folders in which the databases are located.
- If "Rename recovered item if such item exists" option is selected during the recovery, NAKIVO Backup & Replication skips keys, constraints, indexes, and statistical properties when recovering a table to an original location.
- If "Overwrite the original item if such item exists" option is chosen, all the above properties are preserved. Tables that contain a foreign key cannot be recovered with this option.
- Full administrative permissions are required.
- Default administrative shares must be enabled.
- The "File server" role must be enabled.
- Ports 445 and 9445 must be opened on the instance.

Requirements for Microsoft SQL Server Log Truncation

- VMware VM must be running on VMware ESXi 5.0 and later.
- System databases are skipped during the log truncation.
- Databases with the "Simple" recovery model are skipped during the log truncation.
- A database must be in the "online" state.
- The SMB 2 protocol should be enabled.

Object Recovery for Microsoft Active Directory

Supported Versions

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports the following versions of Microsoft Active Directory for objects recovery:

- Windows Server 2022 (21H2)
- Windows Server 20H2 (20H2)
- Windows Server 2019
- Windows Server 2016

- Windows Server 2012 R2
- Windows Server 2012

Requirements for Object Recovery for Microsoft Active Directory

- The ISCI Initiator service must be running on the recovery server.
- The vc_redist.x86.exe (v.2015) file must be installed on the recovery server.
- Active Directory Web Services must be running.
- Port 5000 must not be blocked by other services and must be opened in the firewall of AD.
- Active Directory Module For Windows PowerShell must be installed.

Site Recovery

To successfully perform a site recovery, make sure you meet the following requirements:

Run Script Action

The list of supported operating systems where the Run Script action may be run can be found in the Recovering Files to Server subsection above.

TCP ports

Connection to the following TCP ports should be allowed by the firewall of the target system:

- 22 – Used by SSH for secure logins, file transfers (scp, sftp) and port forwarding.
- 9445 – Used by NAKIVO Backup & Replication to communicate with the VM.

Note

ICMP ping traffic should be allowed by the firewall of the target system.

Required permissions for Microsoft Windows VMs:

- Users should be members of a local Administrators group.
- Users should have access to default administrative shares.
- Users should have permissions to access the corresponding folder/file.
- User Account Control (UAC) remote restrictions should be disabled for some Microsoft Windows versions.
- Users should have permissions to "Log on as a batch job".

Services and Settings

- For Windows source VMs, the SMB 2 / CIFS File Sharing Support feature should be turned on.
- For Linux VMs, users should belong to the `sudo` group.
- VMware Tools or Hyper-V Integration Services must be running on VMware or Hyper-V VMs, respectively.

Real-Time Replication (Beta) for VMware

Real-time replication is supported for the following ESXi versions:

- Source hosts: ESXi 7.0
- Target hosts: see [“Supported Platforms” on page 135](#)

NAKIVO Backup & Replication requires the following listening TCP ports to be open for a successful operation:

33088 – Used by the **I/O Filter** (source daemon installed on ESXi host) for receiving requests (or commands) from the **Director**.

33089 – Used by the **Journal Service** (installed on the target **Transporter**) for receiving requests (or commands) from the **Director** and the **I/O Filter**. (Outgoing ports on the **I/O Filter**).

33090 – Used by the **Journal Service** (installed on the target **Transporter**) for receiving changed data from the **I/O Filter**. (Outgoing ports on the **I/O Filter**).

33091– Used by the **Journal Service** (installed on the target **Transporter**) for receiving heartbeat requests from the **I/O Filter**. (Outgoing ports on the **I/O Filter**).

The following requirements must be met to use the feature:

- Source hosts must have the **Host Image Profile Acceptance Level** setting set to **Community level**. Therefore, only clusters using baselines are supported (no clusters using a single image are supported). To configure this, select the host and navigate to **Configure > System > Security Profile**.
- Source hosts must have secure boot disabled.
- For each target ESXi host or cluster, a virtual appliance must be deployed with a **Transporter** discovered on at least one host and the Journal Service installed on the **Transporter**.
- The target Transporter must use Hot Add mode to access the replica and utilizes 4 SCSI controllers (in case it has less than 4 SCSI controllers, the product shall add more SCSI controllers).

Note

- If a replica and a Transporter/Journal Service VM are located on different hosts in the cluster and single datastore mounted to both cluster hosts, the real-time replication job will run as this is a Hot Add requirement (**Transporter** should have access to replica disks).
- If a replica and a Transporter/Journal Service VM are located on different hosts in the cluster and different (not local) datastores mounted to both cluster hosts, the real-time replication job will run as this is a Hot Add requirement (**Transporter** should have access to replica disks).
- If a replica and a Transporter/Journal Service VM are located on different hosts and different datastores (for example, local datastores) visible per particular host, the real-time replication job will fail (**Transporter** VM should have access to replica disks. Otherwise, the job fails).

- The time on the source ESXi host and the target **Transporter** appliance must be synchronized.
- The target datastore must have 5 GB as a minimum of free space.
- The source ESXi host must have 16 GB RAM as a minimum.
- For one real-time replication job/real-time replication failover job, the **Transporter's** maximum capacity is limited to 11 source VMs in case there is one disk per VM or up to 50 disks per source VM. For more information, see [this article](#).
- The supported object maximums for real-time replication are:

Type	Limit
VMs per host	100
Disks per VM	50
Disks per host	500
Source VM size	30 TB
Source VMs per job	100
Source VMs per product/tenant	500

Type	Limit
Source VM disks per product/tenant	1000
Jobs per product/tenant	100
Journal size per disk	20 TB

Cross-Platform Recovery

The following scenarios are supported if a VM is [exported from backup](#) and imported into a different hypervisor:

	Target Platforms		
Source Platforms	VMware vSphere 8	Microsoft Hyper-V 2016/2019/20H1/2022	Nutanix AHV 5.10/5.15
VMware vSphere 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Windows Server 2016 • Windows Server 2019 • Windows Server 20H1 • Windows Server 2022 • Ubuntu Server 18.04 • RHEL 7.4 • CentOS 7.0 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Windows Server 2016 • Windows Server 2019 • Windows Server 20H1 • Ubuntu Server 18.04 • RHEL 7.4 • CentOS 7.0 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Windows Server 2016 • Windows Server 2019 • Windows Server 20H1 • Windows Server 2022 • Ubuntu Server 18.04 • RHEL 7.4 • CentOS 7.0

<p>Microsoft Hyper-V 2016/2019/20H1/2022</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Windows Server 2016 • Windows Server 2019 • Windows Server 20H1 • Windows Server 2022 • Ubuntu Server 18.04 • RHEL 7.4 • CentOS 7.0 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Windows Server 2016 • Windows Server 2019 • Windows Server 20H1 • Windows Server 2022 • Ubuntu Server 18.04 • RHEL 7.4 • CentOS 7.0 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Windows Server 2016 • Windows Server 2019 • Windows Server 20H1 • Windows Server 2022 • Ubuntu Server 18.04 • RHEL 7.4 • CentOS 7.0
<p>Physical Machines</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Windows Server 2012 • Windows Server 2012R2 • Windows Server 2016 • Windows Server 2019 • Windows Server 20H1 • Windows Server 2022 • Ubuntu Server 22.04 • RHEL 9.2 • CentOS 8.5 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Windows Server 2016 • Windows Server 2019 • Windows Server 20H1 • Windows Server 2022 • Ubuntu Server 18.04 • RHEL 7.4 • CentOS 7.0 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Windows Server 2016 • Windows Server 2019 • Windows Server 20H1 • Windows Server 2022 • Ubuntu Server 18.04 • RHEL 7.4 • CentOS 7.0

* To run a VM with RHEL 7 on Microsoft Hyper-V 2016/2019, the following option must be configured in grub boot parameters:

```
ata_piix.prefer_ms_hyperv=0
```

As an alternative, the source machine can be pre-configured with the command below:

```
mkinitrd -f -v --with=hid-hyperv --with=hv_utils --with=hv_vmbus --with=hv_storvsc --with=hv_netvsc /boot/initramfs-$(uname -r).img $(uname -r)
```

App-aware Mode

To enable application awareness for source objects, make sure the following requirements are met:

VMware

- VMware Tools should be installed, running, and up to date on all source VMs.

Encrypted Backup Repository

To enable encryption, the following requirements should be met:

- The Transporter assigned to the encrypted backup repository must be installed on Ubuntu, SLES or RHEL. Currently, **Transporters** installed on other Linux versions, Windows, and NAS do not support this feature.
- For certain SLES and RHEL versions, only full device/partition encryption is available. [Learn more](#).

Direct Connect

The following platforms are supported:

- VMware vSphere (including Free ESXi)
- Physical machines (Windows, Linux)
- NAS systems

Requirements

To use Direct Connect, the **Transporter** must be installed on one of the following operating systems:

- Windows
- Linux
- NAS

Direct Connect supports the following Nodes:

- Onboard **Transporter**
- Installed service
- VMware vSphere appliance

Note

Direct Connect is not supported for Onboard Transporters located on NAS devices.

The following deployment scenarios are supported:

- **Director** and **Transporter(s)** installed at the MSP's site and more than one Direct Connect **Transporter** installed at each tenant site.
- Primary repository at the tenant's site (managed by one of the tenant's **Transporters**) and a secondary repository at the MSP's site.

Additionally, the following requirements must be met:

- A static external IP address is required at the remote environment.
- A single TCP port must be exposed to the Internet at the remote environment.
- Port forwarding must be configured at the remote environment to forward requests from this external port to the deployed **Transporter**.

Supported Features

Direct connect supports the following product features:

- Inventory discovery/refresh
- Repository creation/management
- VM backup
- VM replication
- Full VM recovery
- VM verification
- Flash boot (from client repository to client infrastructure/from MSP repository to MSP infrastructure)
- Backup copy
- File recovery to browser
- Auto update
- Backup Export
- Site Recovery

Native Tape Support

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports tape environments with the following configurations:

- Robotic tape libraries and standalone devices of LTO3 and later generations.
- AWS Storage Gateway service with a Tape Gateway that functions as a Virtual Tape Library (VTL).
- Only VTLs connected to Linux are currently supported.
- The gateway VM deployed on-premises needs to have the following minimum resources:
 - **CPU:** x86-64, 4+ cores
 - **RAM:** 16+ GB
 - **Free Space:** 80 GB
- According to the [requirements for Amazon EC2 instances](#), when deploying the gateway on Amazon EC2, the instance size should be at least `2xlarge` for the compute-optimized instance family.
- The instance type should be c4 or c5 instance types. The 2xlarge instance size or higher can be chosen to meet the required RAM requirements.
- All physical tape cartridges must have barcodes.
- Installation is supported on all Windows OS and Linux OS, as listed on the [Supported Platforms](#) page.

- Installation on NAS OS is not supported.
- The "mtx" and "lsscsi" utilities need to be installed on the Linux transporter server in order to detect the tape library changer.

Backup Immutability

To make backups immutable in Backup Repositories located in **Amazon S3**, **generic S3-compatible storage**, or **Wasabi**, the following options must be enabled for the buckets where the repository is located:

- Object Lock
- Versioning

To make backups immutable in Backup Repositories located in **Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage**, File Lock (also known as Object Lock) must be enabled.

To make backups immutable in Backup Repositories located in **Azure Blob Storage**, the following options must be selected for the Azure storage account or container:

- Enable version-level immutability support
- Enable versioning for blobs

Notes

- Disable Object Lock retention mode and retention period for the Amazon S3 or Wasabi bucket where the repository is located, as retention settings are set in NAKIVO Backup & Replication during job creation.
- Backing up to Wasabi with Object Lock enabled may take longer compared to when Object Lock is disabled.
- Backup Immutability is not supported for encrypted Backup Repositories.
- Backup Immutability is not supported for MinIO.

To enable immutability for **Local Folder** type of **Backup Repository**, the following conditions must be met:

- Target file system must support extended attributes modified by **chattr** and **setfattr** commands.
- The **Backup Repository** type must be **Local Folder**.
- The **Backup Repository** must have **Store backups in separate files** selected.

Note

Only Linux OS and NAS OS specified in [system requirements](#) are supported.

VM Limitation for Multi-Tenancy

The feature is only available if a license with Socket limit mode is installed.

The following hypervisors are supported:

- VMware vSphere
- VMware Cloud Director
- Microsoft Hyper-V
- Nutanix AHV

Monitoring

For the feature to function correctly, the following conditions must be met:

- For NAKIVO Backup & Replication to display disk usage, VMware Tools must be running in a VM.
- VM must be powered on for the monitoring to be available.

The feature supports the following platforms:

- Paid versions of VMware vCenter Server
- Paid versions of VMware ESXi host

The following types of items are supported:

- VMware vSphere host
- VMware vSphere datastore
- VMware vSphere VM

The full list of supported versions of vCenter and ESXi can be found [here](#).

If monitoring over 1000 workloads, make sure your machine meets the following requirements:

- **CPU:** x86-64, 4+ cores
- **RAM:** 8 GB
- **Disk Free Space:** 5 GB

Permanent VM Agent

VM agents are available for the following platforms:

- VMware vSphere
- Microsoft Hyper-V
- Amazon EC2
- Nutanix AHV

VM agents support the following features:

- OS quiescing
- File recovery to source

VM agents can be used in the Windows and Linux operating systems listed in [this section of Deployment Requirements](#).

External Database

The following external databases are supported:

- PostgreSQL v10-15

The following system requirements apply to the machine housing the external database:

- **CPU:** x86-64, 4+ cores
- **RAM:** 4-8+ GB
- **Free Space:** 50 GB
- **OS:** Windows and Linux [operating systems](#).

Notes

- Using SSD is highly recommended.
- The external database can be created on a physical machine or VM or stored in a container.
- Database migration is supported for both the single-tenant and multi-tenant modes of the solution. However, only the Master Admin can perform database migration in multi-tenant mode.
- All tenants share the same database server after the migration, but each tenant has a separate database.
- All tenant databases must be the same type as the database of the Master Admin.
- Some NAS devices may already contain the PostgreSQL as inbox package.

Generic S3-Compatible Object Storage

The following vendors for generic S3-compatible object storage are currently supported:

- MinIO
- Ceph
- Cloudian
- C2 Object Storage
- SeaGate LyveCloud

Notes

- This list only contains vendors that were specifically tested and will be updated as NAKIVO continues to test more vendors.
- Immutability is supported only if object lock and S3 versioning are enabled on the vendor side and are supported by vendor APIs.
- Some S3-compatible vendors not listed above may be supported if they use the applicable APIs. The list of APIs used by NAKIVO Backup & Replication for generic S3-compatible object storage functionality can be found [here](#).

Merge Jobs

The feature supports the following types of jobs:

- Backup
- Backup copy
- Replication

Job merging can be performed in the following cases:

- Both source and target jobs are of the same type and platform.
- The source job is in an idle state.

Job merging cannot be performed in the following cases:

- One of the selected jobs is a backup copy job with the destination set to tape.
- The target job uses the **Policies** view.
- The Transporter selection settings of the target job cannot be applied to the source job objects.
- Both source and target jobs contain or reference the same workload.

MSP Console

To use the **MSP Console** feature, the managed service provider (MSP) needs to configure the following TCP ports:

- **MSP Director port:** This is the TCP port used by the Director for the MSP's instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication. By default, this is TCP port 4443. The MSP must provide a remote tenant with their Director port number [during configuration](#). The remote tenant needs to enter this port number when [adding the MSP](#).
- **Listening port:** Additionally, the MSP must have a port open for listening to the remote tenant. By default, TCP port 6702 is used. The MSP may change the listening port used by changing the `system.msp.console.listening.port` parameter in [Expert settings](#).

Backup Malware Scan

The following recovery jobs with image-based backups are supported:

- VMware vSphere VM recovery
- Microsoft Hyper-V VM recovery
- Nutanix AHV VM recovery
- VMware Cloud Director recovery
- Physical Machine recovery
- Flash boot recovery
- Universal object recovery

The scan server must adhere to the following requirements:

- A supported version of antivirus software must be installed on the scan server.
- iSCSI must be available on the scan server.
- SMB must be enabled on the scan servers using Windows OS.
- SSH must be enabled on the scan servers using Linux OS.
- TCP port 9445 must not be blocked.
- SELinux service must be disabled on the scan servers using Linux OS.
- The NTFS-3G package must be enabled on the scan servers using Linux OS.
- Special [permissions](#) must be configured for NAKIVO Backup & Replication recovery service.

The following antivirus software is supported:

- **Windows OS:**

- Microsoft Windows Defender
 - Antimalware Client Version: 4.10.14393 or higher
 - Engine Version: 1.1.12805 or higher
 - Must support the command line: *Scan -ScanType %type% -File %path% -DisableRemediation -BootSectorScan*
 - See more details [here](#)
- ESET NOD32 Antivirus:
 - Version 14.2.24 or higher
 - Must support the command line: *%path% /clean-mode=None /no-symlink*
 - See more details [here](#)
- Kaspersky Internet Security:
 - Version 2015 (15.0) or higher
 - Must support the command line: *scan %path% -i0*
 - See more details [here](#)
- Sophos Intercept X:
 - Version 2.0.20 or higher
 - Must support the command line: *scan --noui --expand_archives %path%*
 - See more details [here](#)

- **Linux OS:**

- Clam AV:
 - Version clamav-0.99.0 or higher
 - Must support the command line: *clamscan --infected --recursive %path%*
 - See more details [here](#)
- Sophos Protection:

- Version 1.1.8 or higher
- Must support the command line: `avscanner %path% --scan-archives`
- See more details [here](#)

Notes

- Sophos Protection can be used only for Linux server recovery.
- Sophos AV software is limited to the specific [Linux operating systems](#).
- Antivirus software on Windows OS cannot scan Linux OS backups.
- Scanning process may not detect malware if the antivirus software has the run-time (real-time) protection enabled.

Universal Transporter

The **Universal Transporter** feature supports the following platforms:

- Microsoft Hyper-V VMs
- Oracle databases
- Physical servers
- Tape

Installing NAKIVO Backup & Replication

Refer to the sections below to learn how to install NAKIVO Backup & Replication:

- [“Deploying VMware Virtual Appliance” on page 192](#)
- [“Deploying Nutanix AHV Virtual Appliance” on page 199](#)
- [“Deploying Amazon Machine Image in Amazon EC2” on page 207](#)
- [“Installing on Windows” on page 210](#)
- [“Installing on Linux” on page 221](#)
- [“Installing on Synology NAS” on page 230](#)
- [“Installing on QNAP NAS” on page 237](#)
- [“Installing on Western Digital NAS” on page 247](#)
- [“Installing on ASUSTOR NAS” on page 242](#)
- [“Installing on NETGEAR ReadyNAS” on page 249](#)
- [“Installing on Generic ARM-Based Device” on page 254](#)
- [“Installing on FreeNAS/TrueNAS” on page 252](#)
- [“Installing on Raspberry Pi” on page 255](#)

Deploying VMware Virtual Appliance

- [Deploying Virtual Appliance with vSphere Web Client](#)
- [Virtual Appliance OS, Credentials, and Security](#)
- [Web Interface Login](#)

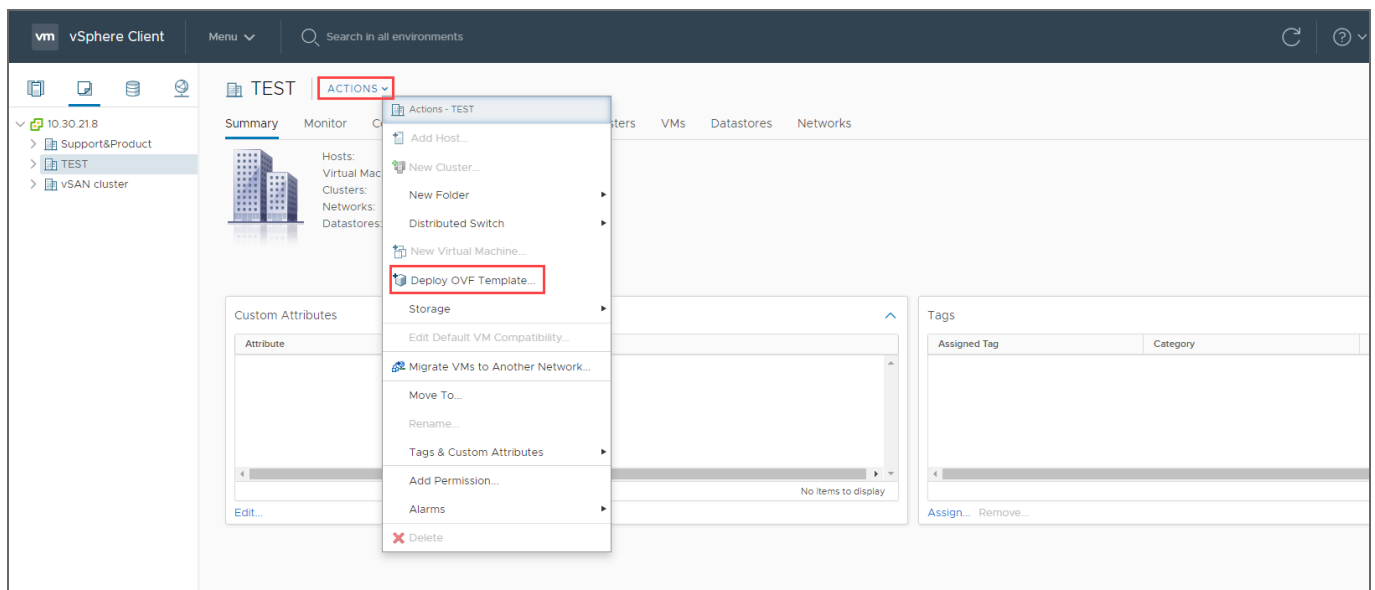
NAKIVO Backup & Replication offers the following VA deployment options:

- Full Solution
- Full Solution without **Backup Repository**
- **Transporter**-only
- **Transporter** with **Backup Repository**
- Multi-tenant **Director**

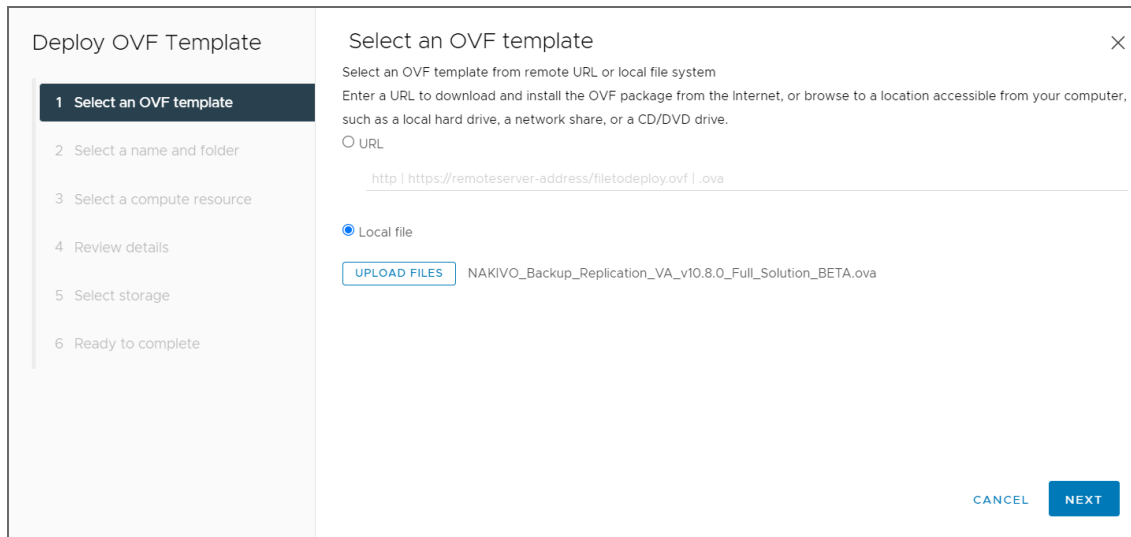
The Virtual Appliance (VA) has two disks: the first (30 GB) contains a Linux OS with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, and the second (500 GB) is used as a **Backup Repository**. If you deploy the Virtual Appliance disks using the **Thin Provision** option, then the disks will not reserve space on your datastore and will only consume space when actual data (such as your backups) is written to disks.

Deploying Virtual Appliance with vSphere Web Client

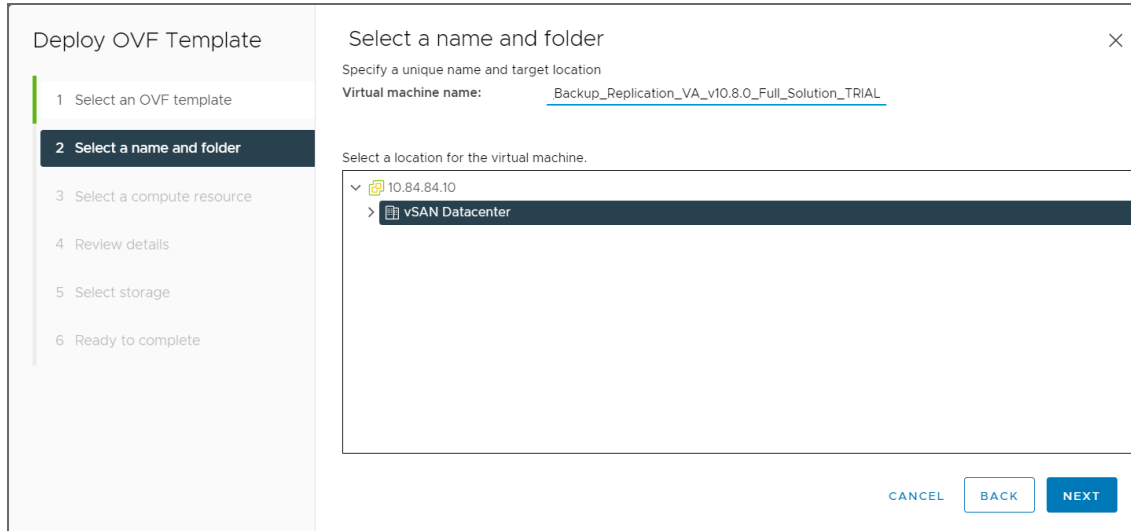
1. [Download NAKIVO Backup & Replication VA.](#)
2. Log in to your vSphere vCenter with the vSphere Web Client.
3. Select **Deploy OVF Template** from the **Actions** menu. Note that the Client Integration Plug-in must be installed to enable OVF functionality.



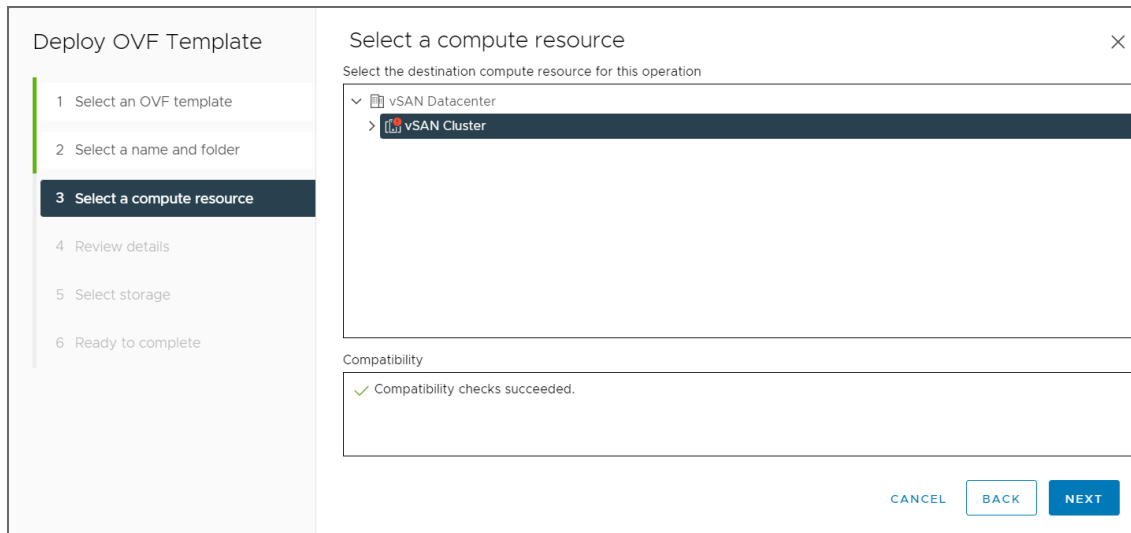
4. On the **Select an OVF template** page of the **Deploy OVF Template** wizard, select **Local file** and upload the VA file (.ova) you've downloaded. Click **Next**.



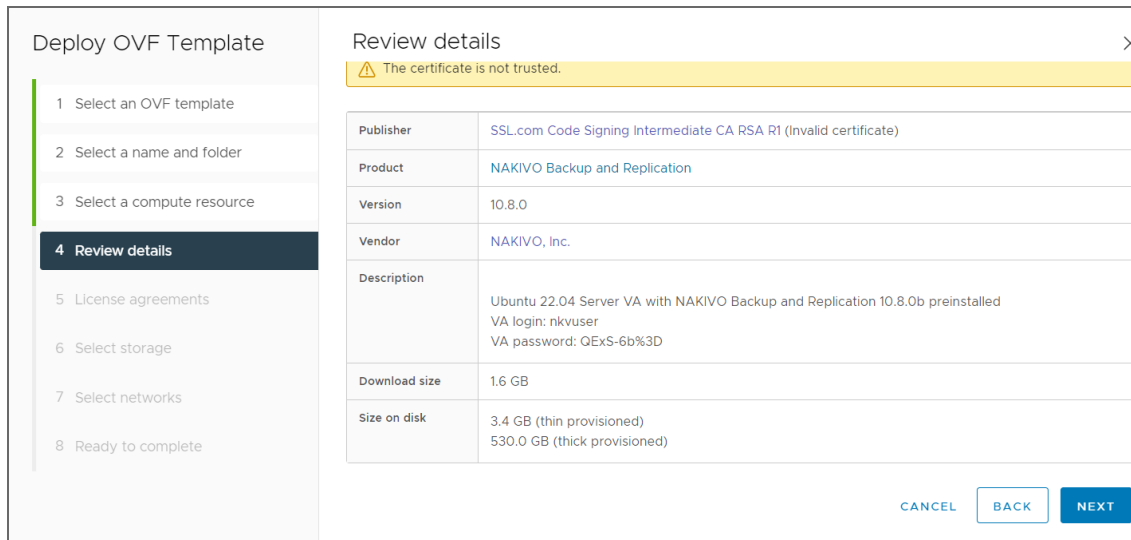
5. On the **Select a name and folder** page, specify a unique name and target location for the Virtual Appliance. Click **Next**.



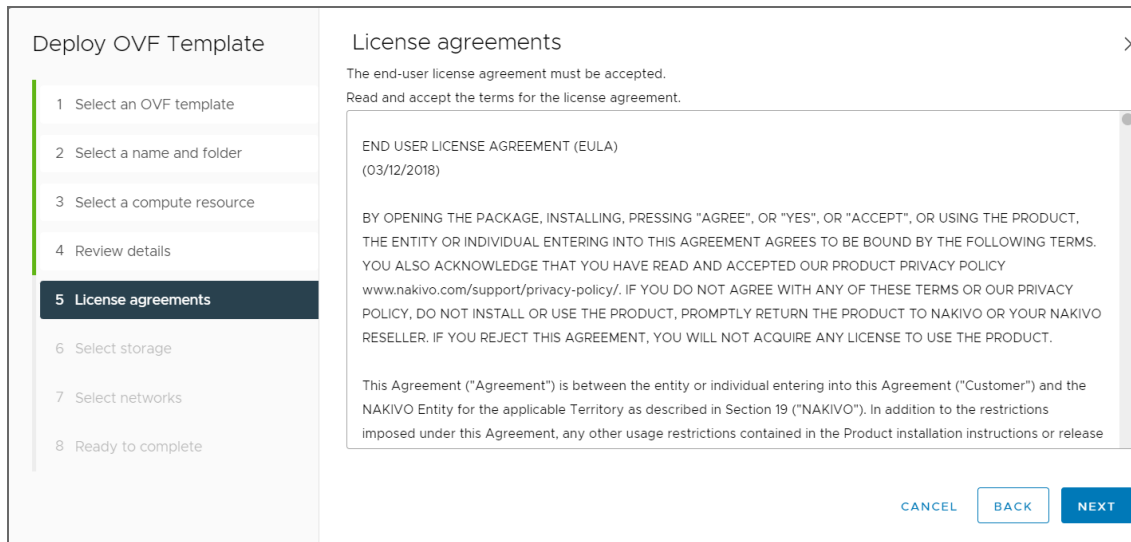
6. On the **Select a computer resource** page, select the resource pool within which you would like to deploy the Virtual Appliance and click **Next**.



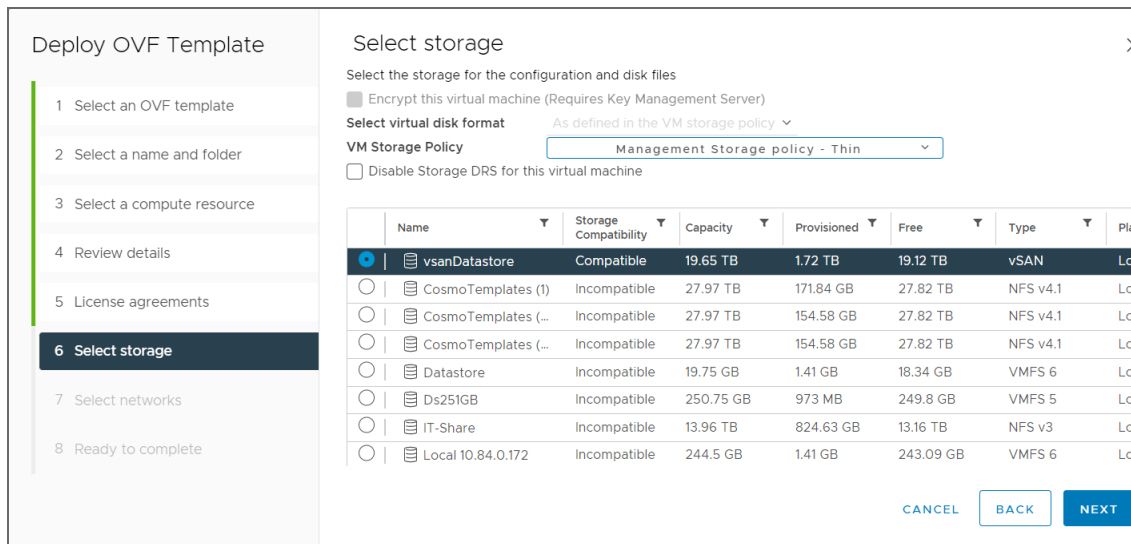
7. On the **Review details** page, review the template details and click **Next**.



8. On the **License agreements** page, read the end-user license agreement (EULA). If you agree to its terms, select **I accept all license agreements** and then click **Next**.



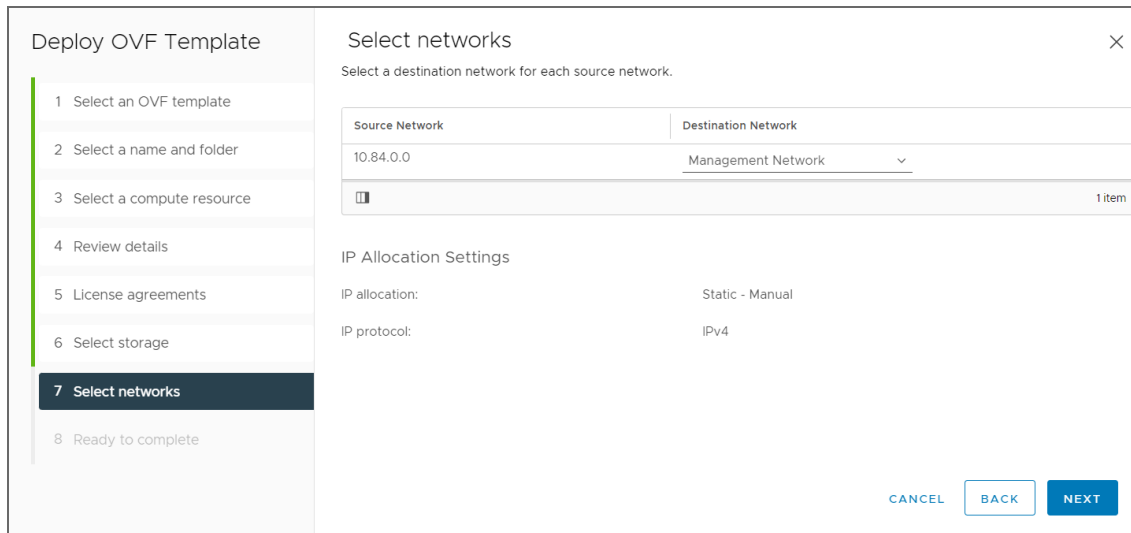
9. On the **Select storage** page, select a datastore in which you would like to keep the Virtual Appliance disk, virtual disk format (*Thin Provisioning* is recommended), VM storage policy and click **Next**.



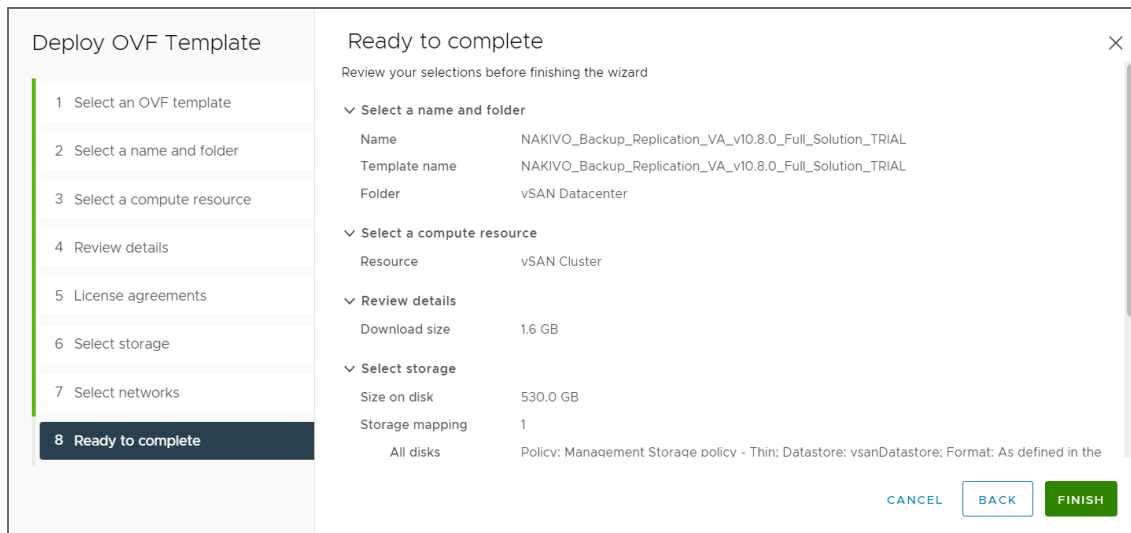
Important

If you use thick provisioning instead of thin provisioning, keep in mind that NAKIVO Backup & Replication can take up to 0,5 TB of data. Check to see if it is 0,5 TB by default for all cases.

10. On the **Select networks** page, select a network to which the Virtual Appliance will be connected. Opting for a network with DHCP and Internet access is recommended. Click **Next**.



- On the **Ready to complete** page, review the summary of the setups you have configured and click **Finish** to complete deployment.



After the Virtual Appliance is deployed, you may need to [configure](#) it.

Important

If you plan to expose the Virtual Appliance to the Internet, change the default credentials and set up a login and password for the Web interface.

Virtual Appliance OS, Credentials, and Security

The appliance runs Ubuntu 22.04, 64-bit. Use the following credentials to log in to the appliance:

- Username:** nkuser
- Password:** QExS-6b%3D

For the versions of NAKIVO Backup & Replication older than 7.2, the password is `root`.

Important

- If you plan to expose the Virtual Appliance to the Internet, change the default VA credentials and set up a login and password for the Web interface.
- It is recommended to run an update on all packages in your Virtual Appliance at least once a month.

To enable [Backup Immutability](#) for **Amazon S3, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage**, or **Local Folder** types of [Backup Repository](#) deployed as part of virtual appliance, NAKIVO Backup & Replication does the following:

- Creates a new user for all administrative needs and adds it to the *sudo* group
- Disables root user
- Changes default SSH port to 2221
- Configure the following kernel parameters via **sysctl.conf**:
 - Limits network-transmitted configuration for IPv4/IPv6
 - Prevents the common 'syn flood attack'
 - Turns on source IP address verification
 - Prevents a cracker from using a spoofing attack against the IP address of the server
 - Logs several types of suspicious packets, such as spoofed packets, source-routed packets, and redirects
 - Configures swap. Sets **vm.swappiness** to 15
 - Sets **kernel.unprivileged_bpf_disabled** to 1
 - Sets **kernel.core_pattern** to **/tmp/%e.%p.core**
 - Sets **kernel.core_uses_pid** to 1
 - Sets **kernel.dmesg_restrict** to 1
 - Sets **kernel.kptr_restrict** to 2
 - Sets **kernel.sysrq** to 0
- Secures */tmp* and */var/tmp*
- Secures Shared Memory
- Installs and configures **fail2ban**

Notes

- After **fail2ban** is installed on the hardened VA, the user IP may be banned for 10 minutes if mistakes have been made during the login procedure.
- Any additional packages installed manually on the system may cause a security breach.

Web Interface Login

Open the following URL to access the product's web interface of the VA: `https://Appliance_VM_IP:4443`.

Refer to the [Getting Started](#) section to better understand how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Deploying Nutanix AHV Virtual Appliance

- [Deploying Nutanix AHV Virtual Appliance](#)
- [Virtual Appliance OS, Credentials, and Security](#)
- [Web Interface Login](#)

Deploying Nutanix AHV Virtual Appliance

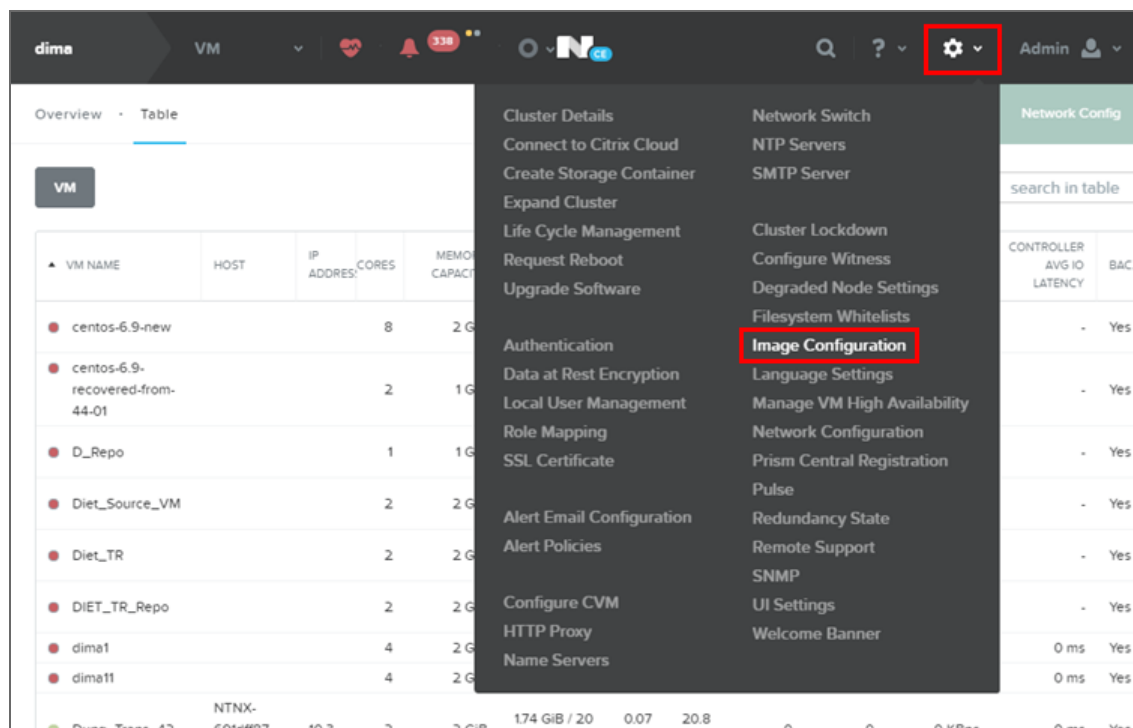
The NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance must be deployed in a Nutanix AHV cluster in order to enable backup and recovery functions.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication offers the following solutions:

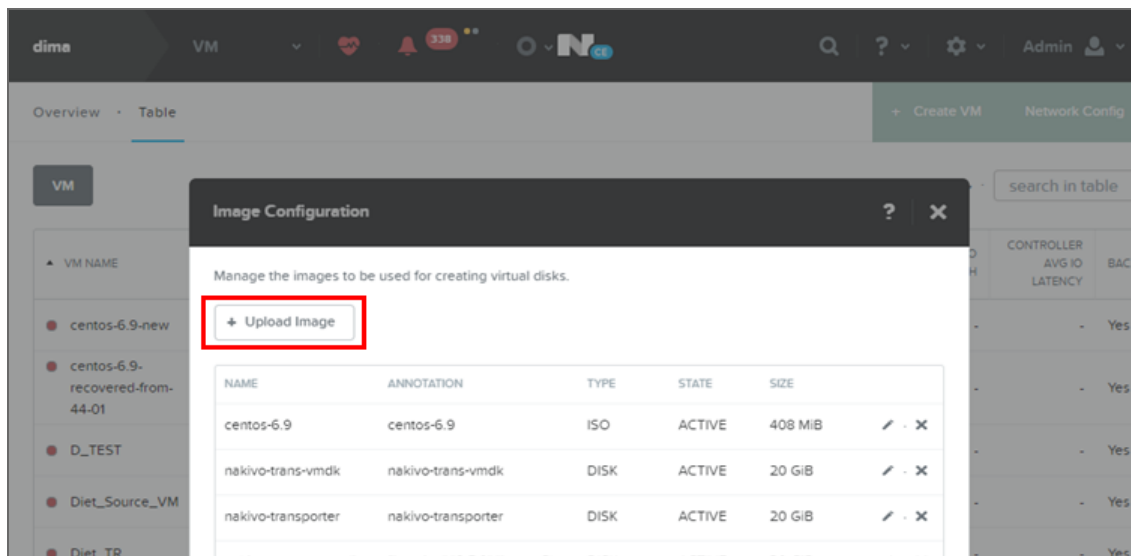
- Full Solution (Single Tenant) - requires a 100 GB thin provisioned disk
- **Transporter**-only - requires a 20 GB thin provisioned disk

To deploy a virtual appliance via the Nutanix Prism application, follow the steps below:

1. Download the .VMDK file with a full or transporter-only image from the Nakivo website and store it locally.
2. Log in to the Prism console.
3. From the **Configurations** menu, select **Image Configuration**.



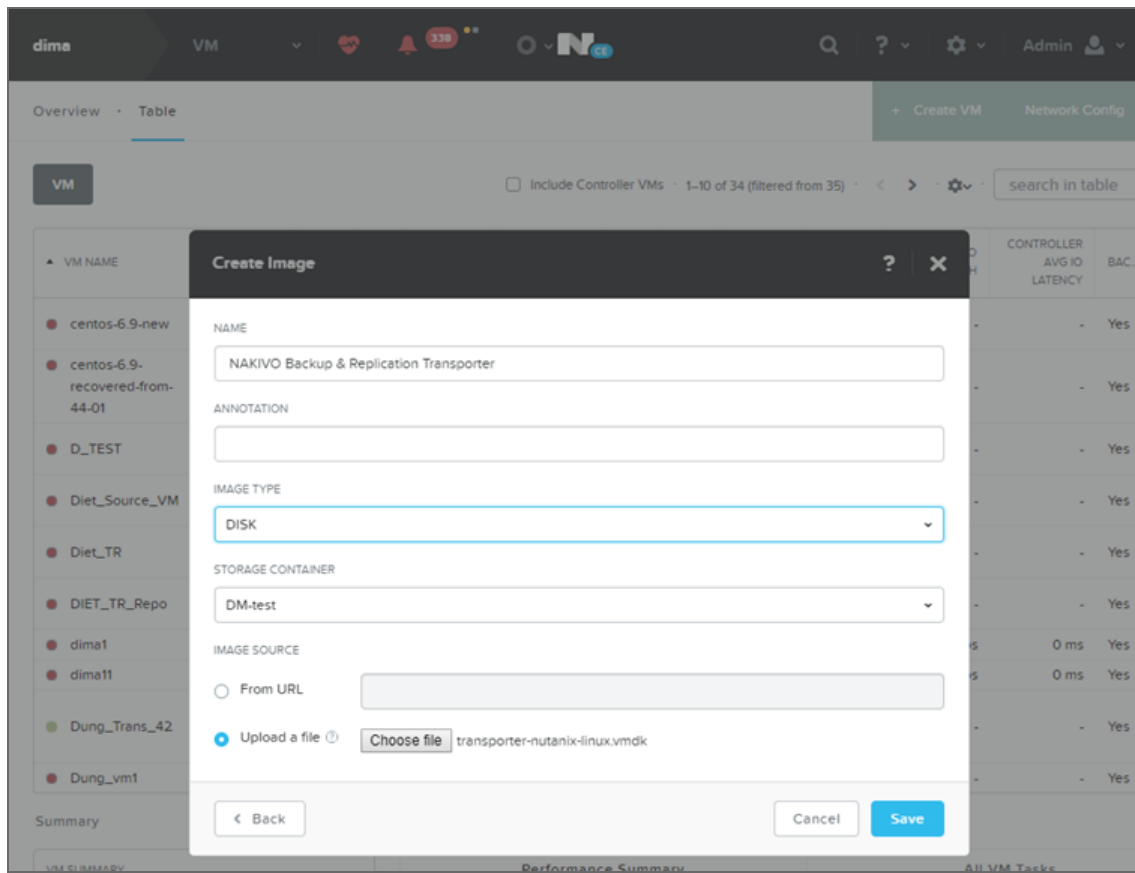
4. In the **Image Configuration** dialog, click **Upload Image**.



5. In the **Create Image** dialog, fill in the following options:

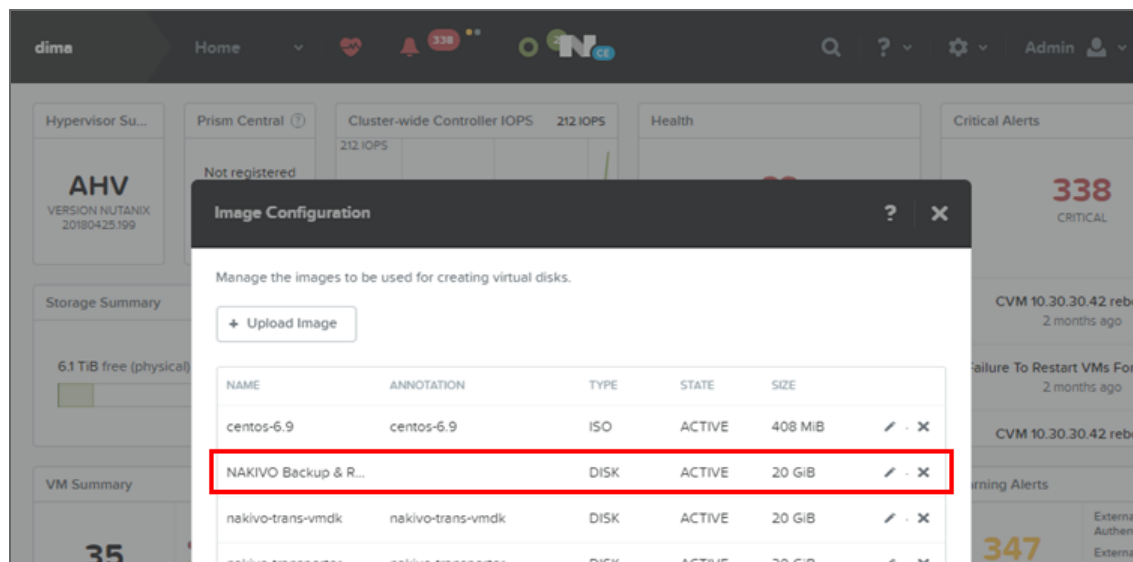
- **Name:** Enter a name for the new image.
- **Image Type:** From the drop-down list, select **DISK**.
- **Storage Container:** Select the storage container you wish to use from the drop-down list. The list includes all storage containers created for this cluster. If there are no storage containers currently available, a **Create Storage Container** link is displayed.
- **Image Source:** Click the **Upload a file** radio button to upload a file from your workstation. Click

the **Choose File** button and then select the file to upload from the file search window.



6. When all fields are correct, click the **Save** button.

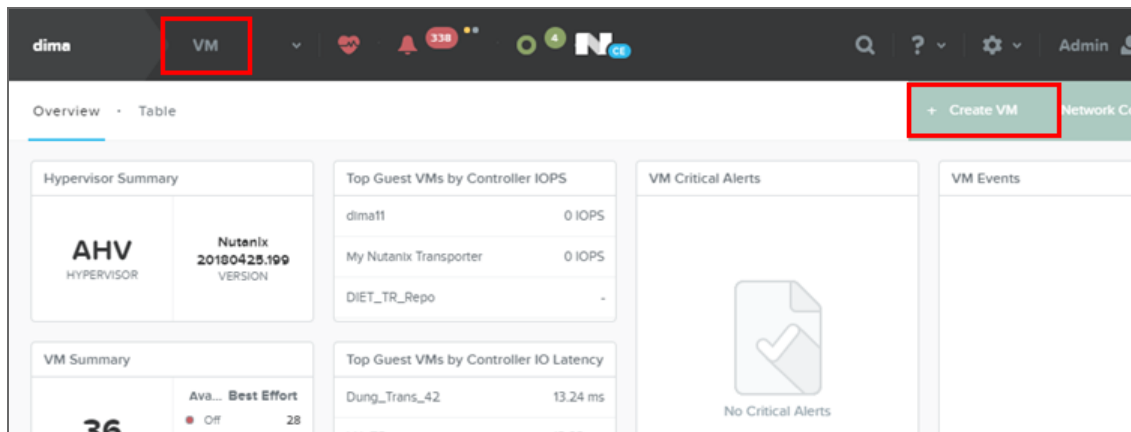
After the file uploading completes, the **Create Image** window closes and the **Image Configuration** window reappears with the new image present in the list.



Note

Make sure the status of the disk is **Active** before proceeding to the next step.

7. Close the **Image Configuration** window, go to the **VM** view and click **Create VM**.



8. In the **Create VM** dialog, fill in the following options:

- **Name:** Enter a name for the VM.
- **vCPU(s):** Enter the number of virtual CPUs to allocate to this VM (minimum 1).
- **Number of Cores per vCPU:** Enter the number of cores assigned to each virtual CPU (minimum 2).
- **Memory:** Enter the amount of memory (in GBs) to allocate to this VM (minimum 4 GB + 250 MB for each concurrent job for full solution/minimum 2 GB + 250 MB for each concurrent job **Transporter**-only solution).
- In the **Disk** section, click **Add New Disk**, and specify the following settings in the **Add Disk** dialog:
 - a. **Type:** Select **Disk**.
 - b. **Operation:** Select **Clone from Image Service**.
 - c. **Bus Type:** Select **SCSI**.

- d. **Image:** Select your uploaded image from the list.

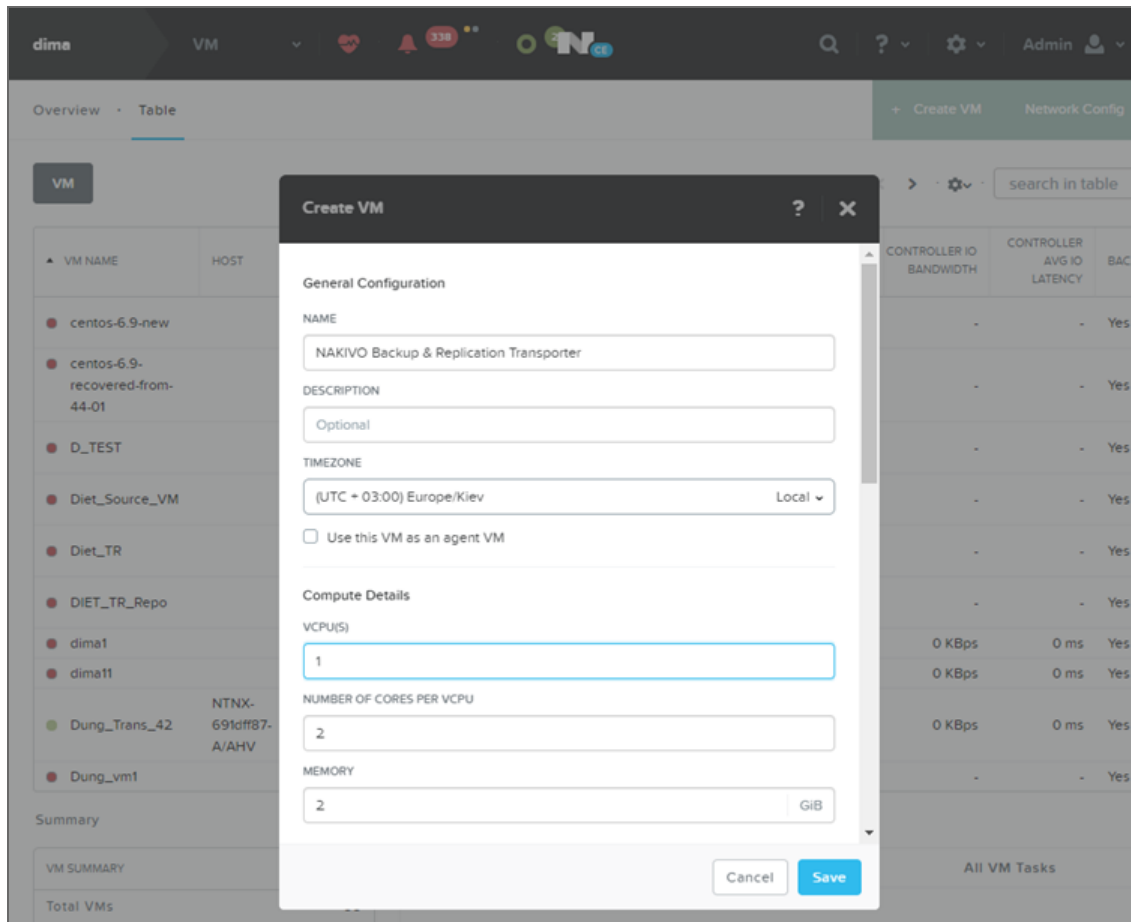
The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Add Disk" with the following configuration:

- TYPE:** DISK
- OPERATION:** Clone from Image Service
- BUS TYPE:** SCSI
- IMAGE:** NAKIVO Backup & Replication Transporter
- SIZE (GIB):** 20

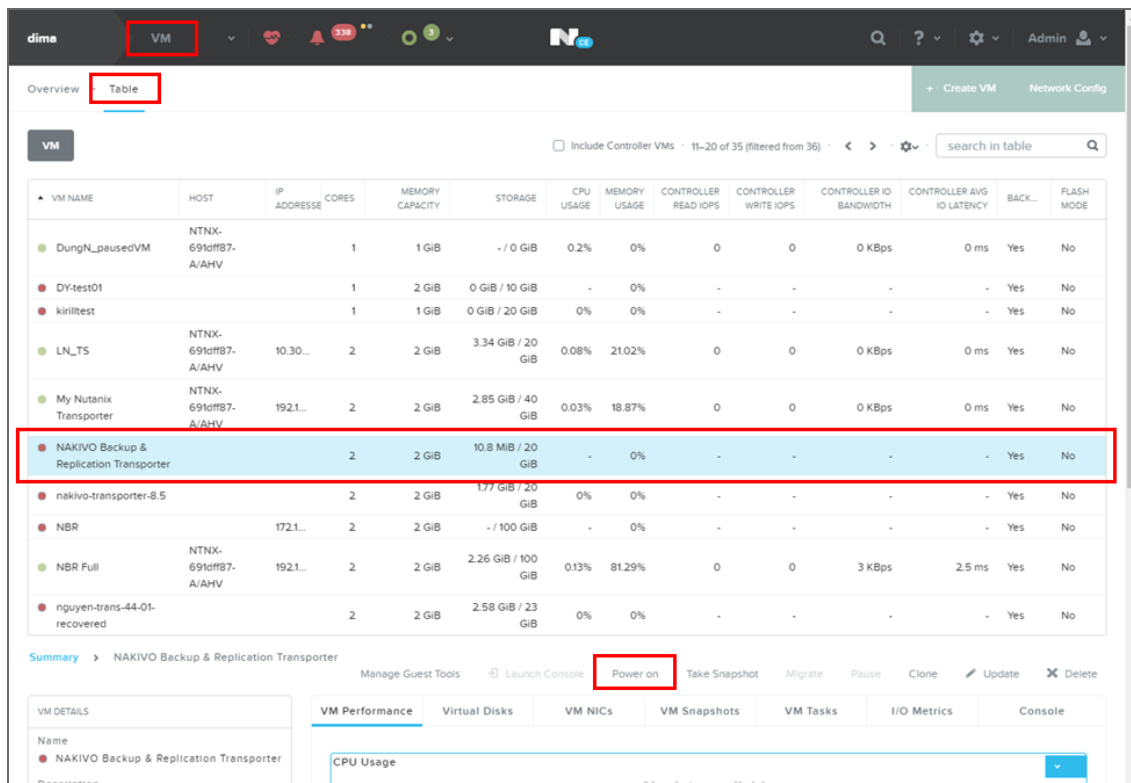
A note below the size field states: "Please note that changing the size of an image is not allowed." The dialog includes "Cancel" and "Add" buttons at the bottom right.

- In the **Network Adapters (NIC)** section, click **Add New NIC** and select an available VLAN from the list.

9. Click **Save**.



10. Wait until the process of VM creation is complete and locate your newly-created VM on the list.
11. Select your VM and click **Power On**.



12. After the Virtual Appliance is deployed and powered on, you may need to [configure](#) it.

Virtual Appliance OS, Credentials, and Security

The appliance runs Ubuntu 22.04, 64-bit. Use the following credentials to log in to the appliance:

- **Username:** nkvuser
- **Password:** QExS-6b%3D

For the versions of NAKIVO Backup & Replication older than 7.2, the password is `root`.

Important

- If you plan to expose the Virtual Appliance to the Internet, change the default VA credentials and set up a login and password for the Web interface.
- It is recommended to run an update on all packages in your Virtual Appliance at least once a month.

To enable [Backup Immutability](#) for **Amazon S3**, **Wasabi**, **Azure Blob Storage**, **Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage**, or **Local Folder** types of [Backup Repository](#) deployed as part of virtual appliance, NAKIVO Backup & Replication does the following:

- Creates a new user for all administrative needs and adds it to the `sudo` group
- Disables root user
- Changes default SSH port to 2221
- Configure the following kernel parameters via **sysctl.conf**:

- Limits network-transmitted configuration for IPv4/IPv6
- Prevents the common 'syn flood attack'
- Turns on source IP address verification
- Prevents a cracker from using a spoofing attack against the IP address of the server
- Logs several types of suspicious packets, such as spoofed packets, source-routed packets, and redirects
- Configures swap. Sets **vm.swappiness** to 15
- Sets **kernel.unprivileged_bpf_disabled** to 1
- Sets **kernel.core_pattern** to **/tmp/%e.%p.core**
- Sets **kernel.core_uses_pid** to 1
- Sets **kernel.dmesg_restrict** to 1
- Sets **kernel.kptr_restrict** to 2
- Sets **kernel.sysrq** to 0
- Secures */tmp* and */var/tmp*
- Secures Shared Memory
- Installs and configures **fail2ban**

Notes

- After **fail2ban** is installed on the hardened VA, the user IP may be banned for 10 minutes if mistakes have been made during the login procedure.
- Any additional packages installed manually on the system may cause a security breach.

Web Interface Login

Open the following URL to access the product's web interface of the VA: `https://Appliance_VM_IP:4443`.

Refer to [“Getting Started” on page 288](#) to better understand how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Deploying Amazon Machine Image in Amazon EC2

You can deploy NAKIVO Backup & Replication as a pre-configured Amazon Machine Image (AMI) in Amazon EC2. After you complete the [download form](#), you get a link to the AWS marketplace page where you can download the AMI.

Configuring AMI Parameters

Configure the following AMI parameters:

1. **Instance Type:** More powerful instances can process tasks faster and run more tasks simultaneously. The minimum requirement for NAKIVO Backup & Replication is the t2.micro instance type; the t2 medium instance type is recommended.
2. **Instance Details:** Assign a public IP to the instance if you wish to access the instance over the Internet.
 - **Security Group:** Use the "All Traffic" rule or create a set of rules listed below:

Type	Port Range	Source	Description
SSH	2221	0.0.0.0/0	Enables remote SSH access to the instance
Custom TCP	80	0.0.0.0/0	Enables access to the web interface
Custom TCP	443	0.0.0.0/0	Required for local Transporter import
Custom TCP	902	0.0.0.0/0	Required for local Transporter import
Custom TCP	4443	0.0.0.0/0	Enables access to the web interface
Custom TCP	9446	0.0.0.0/0	Enables access to a remote Transporter
Custom TCP	9448-10000	0.0.0.0/0	Enables access to a remote Transporter
All ICMP	0-65535	0.0.0.0/0	Enables access to a remote Transporter

Note

Older AMIs may still use SSH Port 22 instead of 2221.

4. **Key pair:** Select an existing key pair or create a new key pair for your instance. If you select an existing key pair, make sure you have access to the private key file.

Note

The AMI deliverable uses Ubuntu 22.04 OS and a standalone EC2 instance with a **Director** and **Transporter**. Instead of the default system user **ubuntu**, the AMI uses the username **nkvuser**.

Refer to [“Getting Started” on page 288](#) to better understand how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Security

The security of your backups can be significantly improved with [“Backup Immutability” on page 41](#). For this feature to be available, the backups must be stored in the **Amazon S3, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage, or Local Folder** types of **Backup Repository** deployed via AWS AMI on your EC2 instance.

To enable Backup Immutability for a **Local folder** type of [“Backup Repository” on page 116](#) deployed via an AMI, NAKIVO Backup & Replication does the following:

- Creates a new user for all administrative needs and adds it to the *sudo* group
- Disables root user
- Changes default SSH port to *2221*
- Configures the following kernel parameters via **sysctl.conf**:
 - Limits network-transmitted configuration for IPv4/IPv6
 - Prevents the common 'syn flood attack'
 - Turns on source IP address verification
 - Prevents a cracker from using a spoofing attack against the IP address of the server
 - Logs several types of suspicious packets, such as spoofed packets, source-routed packets, and redirects
 - Configures swap. Sets **vm.swappiness** to 15
 - Sets **kernel.unprivileged_bpf_disabled** to 1
 - Sets **kernel.core_pattern** to **/tmp/%e.%p.core**
 - Sets **kernel.core_uses_pid** to 1
 - Sets **kernel.dmesg_restrict** to 1
 - Sets **kernel.kptr_restrict** to 2
 - Sets **kernel.sysrq** to 0
- Secures */tmp* and */var/tmp*
- Secures Shared Memory
- Installs and configures **fail2ban**
- Uninstalls **multipath**
- Disables **snappd**
- Installs the following packets:
 - **nfs-common**
 - **ecryptfs-utils**
 - **cryptsetup**

Notes

- After **fail2ban** is installed on the hardened AMI, the user IP may be banned for 10 minutes if mistakes have been made during the login procedure.
- Any additional packages installed manually on the system may cause a security breach.
- It is possible to ping a hardened AMI.

Installing on Windows

NAKIVO Backup & Replication offers the following installation options for Windows machines:

- Full Solution
- **Transporter-Only** Solution
- Multi-Tenant Solution

After successful product installation, refer to the [Getting Started](#) section to learn how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

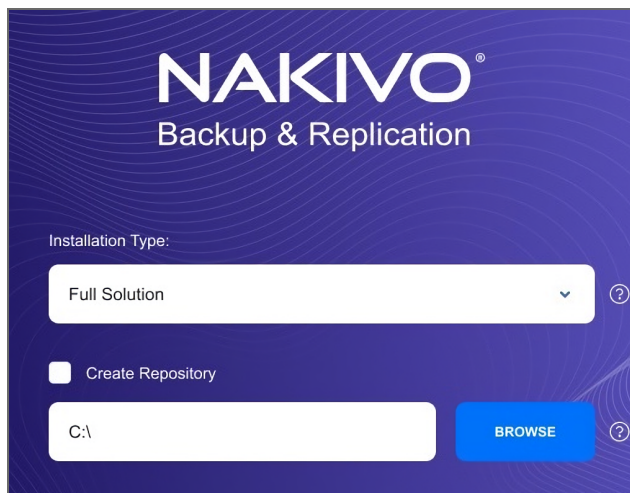
- [Installing Full Solution on Windows](#)
- [Installing Transporter-Only on Windows](#)
- [Installing Full Solution in Multi-Tenant Mode on Windows](#)
- [Silent Installation](#)

Installing Full Solution on Windows

To install NAKIVO Backup & Replication with default options, simply run the NAKIVO Backup & Replication installer for Windows and click **Install**. This will install all product components (**Director**, **Transporter**, and **Backup Repository**) and you will be able to use all product features after installation.

1. Set the installation options as follows:

- **Installation type:** Leave the **Full solution** option selected to install the key product components (Director and Transporter)
- **Create repository:** Leave the checkbox selected to create a **Backup Repository** on the machine on which NAKIVO Backup & Replication is installed.
- Optionally, click **Browse** and select a folder to change the default location of the **Backup Repository**.



2. Click **MORE OPTIONS** to set up more installation options:

- **Installation path:** The location where NAKIVO Backup & Replication will be installed. If you want to change the default path to NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Browse** and select a new location.
- **Director Web UI port:** The default port that will be used to connect to the Web UI of NAKIVO Backup & Replication. Make sure that the port you specify is open in your firewall.
- **Transporter port:** The default port that will be used by the **Director** to communicate with the Onboard **Transporter**. Make sure that the port you specify is open in your firewall.
- **Transporter certificate:** This allows you to use a CA Certificate. Enter the path to the folder containing the certificate file in the field.

Note

- When the checkbox is not selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically installs a self-signed certificate.
- It is possible to install a CA-signed certificate for the **Transporter** by conducting silent installation using the command-line arguments passed to the installer:

- Use the following command for Windows OS:

```
installer.exe --cert C:\certificate.pem --eula-accept
```

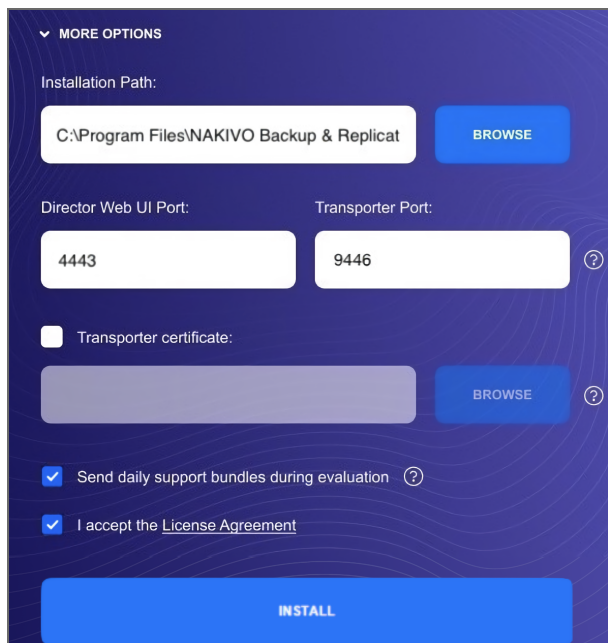
The short option for the Windows OS command is the following:

```
installer.exe -ct C:\certificate.pem -ea
```

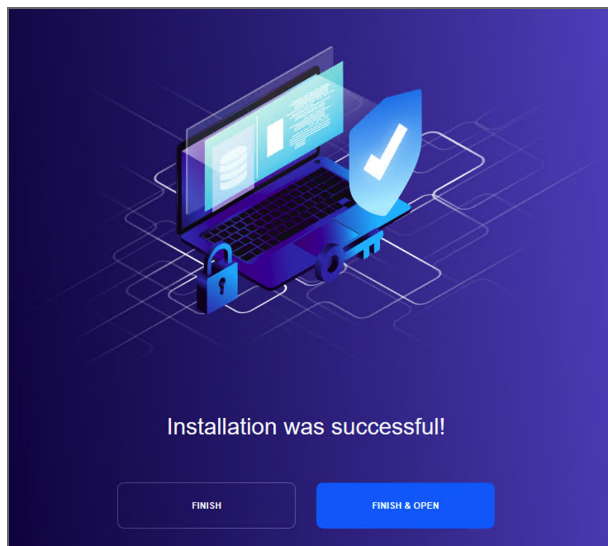
- Use the following command for Linux OS:

```
installer.sh --cert /tmp/certificate.pem --eula-accept
```

- **Send daily support bundles during evaluation:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically creates, encrypts, and uploads support bundles once a day to a NAKIVO support server during the evaluation period. The NAKIVO support team may use this information to improve the product experience and may be able to identify and resolve product issues faster.
3. **I accept the License Agreement:** Select this option to confirm that you have read and agreed to the License Agreement.
 4. Click **Install**.



5. Click **Finish** to complete the installation process or **Finish & Open** to complete installation and start using NAKIVO Backup & Replication.



6. To prevent unauthorized access to the product, create your user account. For more details, refer to [“Logging in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication” on page 289](#) .

Installing Transporter-Only on Windows

If you have already installed the full solution (both **Director** and **Transporter**) and wish to deploy an additional **Transporter**, run the NAKIVO Backup & Replication installer for Windows and follow the steps below:

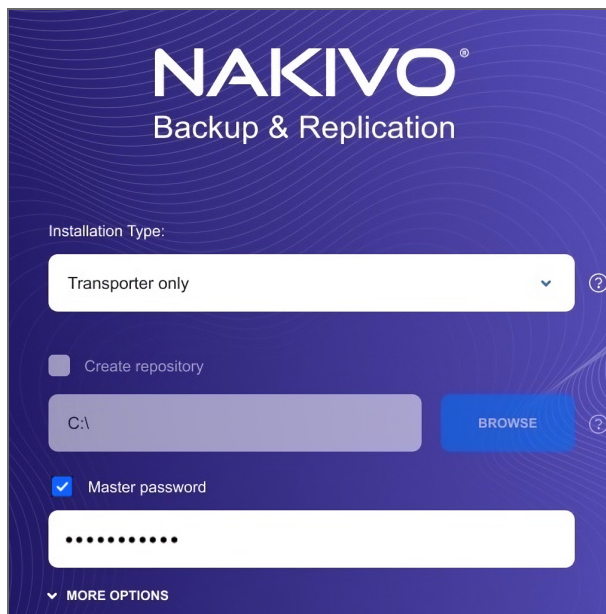
Transporter Installation Prerequisites

Prior to installing the **Transporter**, make sure the following prerequisites are met:

- Make sure the machine on which you plan to install the **Transporter** has a connection to the relevant items below:
 - The machine on which the **Director** is installed.
 - VMware/Hyper-V/Nutanix AHV servers on which you plan to back up or replicate VMs (provided that you plan to retrieve VM data using the Transporter you are about to install)
 - Machines on which you have installed other **Transporters** (provided that you plan to set up data transfer between an existing Transporter and the one you are about to install)
 - **Backup Repository** (provided that you plan to assign the **Transporter** you are about to install to a **Backup Repository**)
 - VMware/Hyper-V/Nutanix AHV servers which you plan to use as a destination for replicated VMs (provided that you plan to write data to the target servers and datastores using the Transporter you are about to install)
- For VMware/Hyper-V/Nutanix AHV servers discovered with DNS names, make sure those DNS names can be resolved on the machine on which to install the Transporter.

Transporter Installation Process

1. Run the NAKIVO Backup & Replication installer.
2. Choose **Transporter only** from the **Installation type** drop-down list.



The image shows a screenshot of the NAKIVO Backup & Replication installer window. The window has a dark blue background with the NAKIVO logo and 'Backup & Replication' text at the top. Below the logo, there is a section for 'Installation Type:' with a dropdown menu set to 'Transporter only'. There is a question mark icon to the right of the dropdown. Below this, there is a checkbox for 'Create repository' which is unchecked. Below that is a text input field containing 'C:\' and a blue 'BROWSE' button with a question mark icon to its right. Below the text field is a checked checkbox for 'Master password' and a password input field with masked characters. At the bottom left, there is a 'MORE OPTIONS' link with a downward arrow.

- Optionally, you can select the **Master password** checkbox and enter the password that will be used to generate a pre-shared key and secure the **Transporter**.

Note

- The master password must adhere to the following requirements:
 - Minimal length - 5 characters.
 - Maximum length - 50 characters.
- The master password can be set and re-set manually by running the command on the machine housing the **Transporter**. Follow these steps:
 - Enter the following command `bhsvc -b P@ssword123`
 - [Restart](#) the **Transporter** service.

- Click **MORE OPTIONS** and set up the following:

- Installation path:** The location where the **Transporter** will be installed. If you want to change the default path to the **Transporter** installation folder, click **Browse** and select a new location.
- Transporter port:** The default port that will be used by the **Director** to communicate with the Onboard **Transporter**. Make sure that the port you specify is open in your firewall.
- Transporter certificate:** This allows you to use a CA Certificate. Enter the path to the folder containing the certificate file in the field.

Note

- When the checkbox is not selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically installs a self-signed certificate.
- It is possible to set up a master password and CA-signed certificate for the **Transporter** by conducting silent installation using the command-line arguments passed to the installer:

- Use the following command for Windows OS:

```
installer.exe --cert C:\certificate.pem --  
master-pass P@ssword123 --eula-accept
```

The short option for the Windows OS command is the following:

```
installer.exe -ct C:\certificate.pem -b  
P@ssword123 -ea
```

- Use the following command for Linux OS:

```
installer.sh --cert /tmp/certificate.pem -b  
P@ssword123 --eula-accept
```

- **Send daily support bundles during evaluation:** If this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will automatically create, encrypt, and upload support bundles once a day to a NAKIVO support server during the evaluation period. NAKIVO Support team may use this information to improve the product experience and may be able to identify and resolve product issues faster.
5. **I accept the License Agreement:** Select this option to confirm that you have read and agreed to the License Agreement.
 6. Click **Install**.

▼ MORE OPTIONS

Installation path:
C:\Program Files\NAKIVO Backup & Replical **BROWSE**

Director web UI port: 4443 Transporter port: 9446 ?

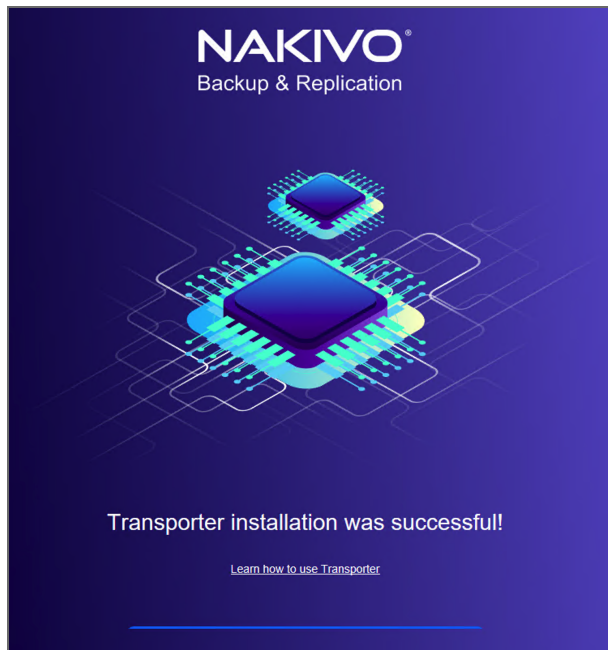
Transporter certificate: **BROWSE** ?

Send daily support bundles during evaluation ?

I accept the [License Agreement](#)

INSTALL

7. When the installation is complete the **Transporter installation was successful** notification appears.



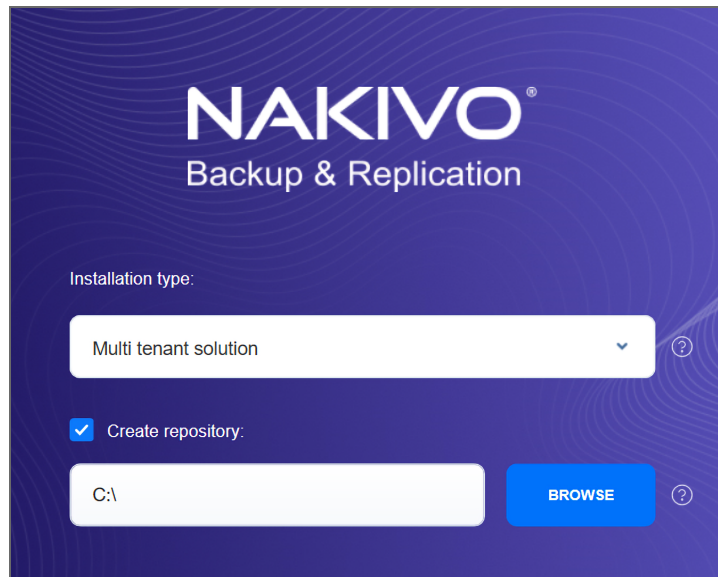
8. [Add the Transporter](#) to NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Installing Full Solution in Multi-Tenant Mode on Windows

To install the full solution in [multi-tenant mode](#) on a Windows OS, run the NAKIVO Backup & Replication installer for Windows and follow the steps below:

1. Set the installation options as follows:
 - **Installation type:** Select the **Multi tenant solution** option from the **Installation type** drop-down list.
 - **Create repository:** Leave the checkbox selected to create a **Backup Repository** on the machine on which NAKIVO Backup & Replication is installed.

- Optionally, click **Browse** and select a folder to change the default location of the **Backup Repository**.



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Installation type:

Multi tenant solution

Create repository:

C:\ **BROWSE**

2. Click **MORE OPTIONS** to set up more installation options:

- **Installation path:** The location where NAKIVO Backup & Replication will be installed. If you want to change the default path to the product, click **Browse** and select a new location.
- **Director Web UI port:** The default port that will be used to connect to the Web UI of NAKIVO Backup & Replication. Make sure that the port you specify is open in your firewall.
- **Transporter port:** The default port that will be used by the **Director** to communicate with the Onboard **Transporter**. Make sure that the port you specify is open in your firewall.

- **Transporter certificate:** This allows you to use a CA Certificate. Enter the path to the folder containing the certificate file in the field.

Note

- When the checkbox is not selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically installs a self-signed certificate.
- It is possible to install a CA-signed certificate for the **Transporter** by conducting silent installation using the command-line arguments passed to the installer:

- Use the following command for Windows OS:

```
installer.exe --cert C:\certificate.pem --eula-accept
```

The short option for the Windows OS command is the following:

```
installer.exe -ct C:\certificate.pem -ea
```

- Use the following command for Linux OS:

```
installer.sh --cert /tmp/certificate.pem --eula-accept
```

- **Send daily support bundles during evaluation:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically creates, encrypts, and uploads support bundles once a day to a NAKIVO support server during the evaluation period. The NAKIVO support team may use this information to improve the product experience and may be able to identify and resolve product issues faster.
3. **I accept the License Agreement:** Select this option to confirm that you have read and agreed to the License Agreement.
 4. Click **Install**.

▼ MORE OPTIONS

Installation Path:

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Director Web UI Port: Transporter Port: ?

Transporter certificate:

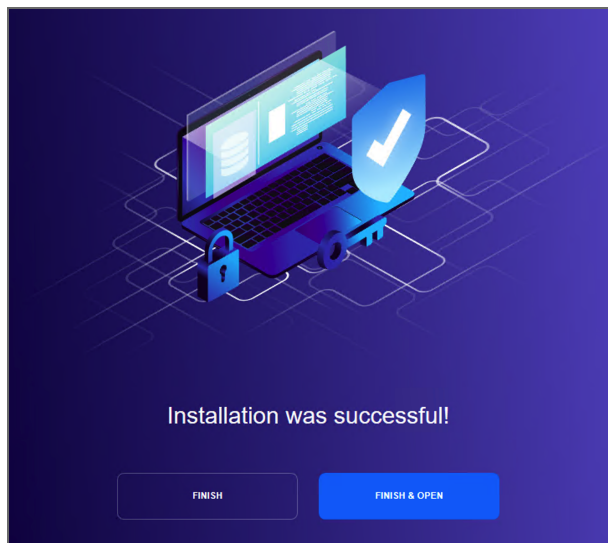
BROWSE ?

Send daily support bundles during evaluation ?

I accept the [License Agreement](#)

INSTALL

5. Click **Finish** to complete the installation process or **Finish & Open** to complete installation and start using NAKIVO Backup & Replication.



Note

The onboard backup repository for the Master Tenant is automatically created after the installation.

6. Create an account by completing the form. For details, refer to [“Logging in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication”](#) on page 289.

Credentials are not required to log in as Master Admin after installation. However, the default credentials are required to log into the product after the first tenant is created. To log in as Master Admin, specify “admin” as the username and leave the password field empty. You can [change credentials](#) in the product configuration.

Silent Installation on Windows

You can install NAKIVO Backup & Replication in silent mode via a command line by running the following command: **installer.exe -f --eula-accept**. This installs all product components (**Director**, **Transporter**, and **Backup Repository**), and you will be able to use all product features after installation.

The following arguments are available:

Argument	Description
-h	Display the list of available arguments without starting the installation.
--eula-accept, -ea	Indicates that you have read and agree to the End User License Agreement .
-f	Performs the silent installation of the full solution (Director and Transporter).
-t	Performs the silent installation of Transporter only.
-m	Performs the silent installation of the full solution in multi-tenant mode.
-u	Performs the silent update of the installed product components.
--release-notes, -n	Indicates the user has read the release notes for the new release during an update.
-sii	Performs the silent install or update ignoring the single installer instance check.
--ignore-pre-install-action-failures, -ipiaf	All pre-install action failures are ignored.
--cert	Allows to set up a custom Transporter certificate.
--master-pass (short version: -b)	Allows to set up a custom master password for the Transporter.

Installing on Linux

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 - [Transporter Installation](#)
- [Installing Full Solution in Multi-Tenant Mode on Linux](#)

Linux Installation Prerequisites

In order to install and use NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a Linux OS, make sure the following requirements are met:

- On Ubuntu and SLES, the following packages must be installed:
 - cifs-utils
 - open-iscsi
 - ntfs-3g
- On RedHat Enterprise Linux, the following packages must be installed:
 - cifs-utils
 - iscsi-initiator-utils
 - ntfs-3g
 - tar

Silent Installation on Linux

You can install NAKIVO Backup & Replication in silent mode via a command line. To install the full solution, simply run the following command: `installer.sh -f --eula-accept` This will install all product components ([Director](#), [Transporter](#), [Backup Repository](#)) and you will be able to use all product features after installation.

The following arguments are available:

Argument	Description
-h, -help, help	Display the list of available arguments without starting the installation.
--eula-accept, -ea	Indicates that you have read and agree to the End User License Agreement .
-f	Shall perform the silent installation of the full solution (Director and Transporter).

Argument	Description
-t	Shall perform the silent installation of Transporter only.
-m	Shall perform the silent installation of the full solution in multi-tenant mode .
-u	Shall perform the silent update of the installed product components.
-e	Shall install Transporter on Amazon EC2, or update Transporter installed on Amazon EC2. Refer to Updating on Amazon EC2 for details.
-a	Shall enable uploading support bundles to support team server (Call Home). Refer to System Settings for details.
-y	Shall accept limitations silently.
-i <install_path>	Shall install to the specified installation path.
-d <director_port>	Shall provide a custom Director port.
-p <transporter_port>	Shall provide a custom Transporter port.
-r <port1>-<port2>	Shall provide a custom transporter data ports range.
-C	Shall suppress creating the repository.
-c <repo_path>	Shall create the repository. The <repo_path> parameter is optional.
--rt <repo_type>	Shall create a repository of the specified type. The <repo_type> parameter may accept the following values: 1 – "Forever incremental with deduplication"; 2 – "Forever incremental without deduplication"; 3 – "Incremental with full backups (deduplication devices)".
--rc <compress_level>	Shall specify the repository compression level. The parameter may accept the following values: Disabled; Fast; Medium; Best. Refer to Creating Backup Repositories for details.
--pnp-cleanup	Shall clean up the database of the device manager for the Linux kernel.
--cert	Allows to set up a custom Transporter certificate.
--master-pass (short version: -b)	Allows to set up a custom master password for the Transporter .

Installing Full Solution on Linux

Follow the steps below to install all components of NAKIVO Backup & Replication (both **Director** and **Transporter**) on a Linux OS:

1. Upload the installer file to the machine on which you want to install NAKIVO Backup & Replication in the *binary transfer mode*. For example:
 - Upload the installer from a Windows-based machine.
 - Upload the product from a Linux-based machine: run the following command: `wget 'server_ip/shared/NAKIVO_Backup_&_Replication_TRIAL.sh'`
2. Log in to the Linux machine and allow the execution of the installer file.
For example: `chmod +x NAKIVO_Backup_&_Replication_TRIAL.sh`
3. Execute the installer file with root privileges.
For example: `sudo ./NAKIVO_Backup_&_Replication_TRIAL.sh`
4. Review the license agreement (press **Space** to go to the next page of the agreement). If you agree to the terms of the license agreement, press "Y" and then press **Enter**.
5. Type "S" to install the full solution and press **Enter**.
6. Optionally, you can install CA **Transporter** certificate. Enter the path to the folder containing the certificate file and press **Enter**.

Notes

- If no path to the CA certificate was provided, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically installs a self-signed certificate.
- It is possible to set up CA-signed certificate for the **Transporter** by conducting silent installation using the command-line arguments passed to the installer. Use the following command:

```
installer.sh --cert /tmp/certificate.pem --eula-accept
```

7. Specify the installation path for the product: Press **Enter** to accept the default installation path `"/opt/nakivo"` or enter a custom path and press **Enter**.
8. Specify the **Director** HTTPS port (which will be used to access the Web UI of NAKIVO Backup & Replication): Press **Enter** to accept the default port `4443` or enter a custom port number and press **Enter**. Make sure the port you specify is open in your firewall.
9. Specify whether to allow the product to automatically send support bundles to a NAKIVO server during the evaluation period (Call Home). If this option is enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will automatically create, encrypt, and upload support bundles once a day to a NAKIVO support server during the evaluation period. NAKIVO Support team may use this information to improve the product experience and will be able to identify and resolve product issues faster.

10. Specify the Transporter port (which will be used to connect to the **Transporter** that is installed by default with the **Director**): Press **Enter** to accept the default port "9446" or enter a custom port number (1 to 65535) and press **Enter**. Make sure the port you specify is open in your firewall.
11. Specify a range of port numbers (from 1 to 65535) that will be used to transfer data by the Onboard **Transporter** (default are 9448-10000). The range you specify should contain at least 100 ports. Make sure that the ports you specify are open in your firewall.
12. Specify a path to the default Backup Repository: Press **Enter** to accept the default path "/opt/nakivo/repository" or enter a custom path and press **Enter** to begin the installation process.

After the installation is complete, you can log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication by opening the following URL in your web browser: `https://machine_IP_or_DNS:director_https_port`

By default, login name and password are not required to access NAKIVO Backup & Replication. To prevent unauthorized access to the product, you can set up credentials in **Configuration**.

Installing Transporter on Linux

If you have already installed the full solution (both **Director** and **Transporter**) and want to deploy an additional **Transporter**, run the NAKIVO Backup & Replication installer for Windows and follow the steps below:

Transporter Installation Prerequisites

Prior to installing a **Transporter**, make sure the following prerequisites are met:

1. Make sure the machine on which you plan to install the **Transporter** has a connection to the relevant items below:
 - The machine on which the **Director** is installed
 - VMware/Hyper-V servers on which you plan to back up or replicate VMs (if you plan to retrieve VM data using the **Transporter** you are about to install)
 - Machines on which you have installed other **Transporters** (if you plan to set up data transfer between an existing **Transporter** and the one you are about to install)
 - Backup repository (if you plan to assign the **Transporter** you are about to install to a **Backup Repository**)
 - VMware/Hyper-V servers which you plan to use as a destination for replicated VMs (if you plan to write data to the target servers and datastores using the **Transporter** you are about to install)
2. If you have discovered VMware/Hyper-V servers using DNS names, make sure those DNS names can be resolved on the machine on which you plan to install the **Transporter**.

Transporter Installation

1. Upload the installer file to the machine on which you wish to install NAKIVO Backup & Replication in the *binary transfer mode*. For example:

- [Upload the installer from a Windows-based machine.](#)
 - Upload the product from a Linux-based machine: run the following command: `wget 'server_ip/shared/NAKIVO_Backup_&_Replication_TRIAL.sh'`
2. Allow the execution of the installer file. For example: `chmod +x NAKIVO_Backup_&_Replication_TRIAL.sh`
 3. Execute the installer file with root privileges. For example: `sudo ./NAKIVO_Backup_&_Replication_TRIAL.sh`
 4. Review the license agreement (press **Space** to go to the next page of the agreement). If you agree to the terms of the license agreement, press "Y" and then press **Enter**.
 5. Type "T" to install only the **Transporter** and press **Enter**.

Note

Alternatively, you can use the **-t** argument to install the **Transporter** silently:

```
sudo ./NAKIVO_Backup_&_Replication_TRIAL.sh -t
```

6. Optionally, enter the master password that will be used to generate a pre-shared key and secure the **Transporter** and then press **Enter**.

Notes

- The master password must adhere to the following requirements:
 - Minimal length - 5 characters.
 - Maximum length - 50 characters.
- The master password can be set and re-set manually by following these steps:
 1. Switch to root using the following command:

```
sudo -i
```
 2. [Stop](#) the **Transporter** service.
 3. Go to the **Transporter** folder with the following command:

```
cd /opt/nakivo/transporter
```
 4. Run the following command to set the master password:

```
./bhsvc -b P@ssword123
```
 5. [Restart](#) the **Transporter** service.

7. Specify the installation path for the product: Press **Enter** to accept the default installation path `"/opt/nakivo"` or enter a custom path and press **Enter**.
8. Optionally, you can install CA Transporter certificate. Enter the path to the folder containing the certificate file and press **Enter**.

Notes

- If no path to the CA certificate was provided, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically installs a self-signed certificate.
- It is possible to set up a master password and a CA-signed certificate for the **Transporter** by conducting silent installation using the command-line arguments passed to the installer. Use the following command:

```
installer.sh --cert /tmp/certificate.pem -b P@ssword123  
--eula-accept
```

9. Specify the **Transporter** port (used to connect to the **Transporter**): Press **Enter** to accept the default port *9446* or enter a custom port number and press **Enter** to begin the installation process. Make sure the port you specify is open in your firewall.

After the installation is complete, [add the Transporter](#) to NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Installing Full Solution in Multi-Tenant Mode on Linux

Follow the steps below to install the full solution in multi-tenant mode on a Linux OS:

1. Upload the installer file to the machine on which you want to install NAKIVO Backup & Replication in the *binary transfer mode*. For example:
 - [Upload the installer from a Windows-based machine](#).
 - Upload the product from a Linux-based machine: run the following command: `wget 'server_ip/shared/NAKIVO_Backup_&_Replication_TRIAL.sh'`
2. Log in to the Linux machine and allow the execution of the installer file.
For example: `chmod +x NAKIVO_Backup_&_Replication_TRIAL.sh`
3. Execute the installer file with root privileges.
For example: `sudo ./NAKIVO_Backup_&_Replication_TRIAL.sh`
4. Review the license agreement (press **Space** to go to the next page of the agreement). If you agree to the terms of the license agreement, press "Y" and then press **Enter**.
5. Type "M" to install the **Director** in Multi-tenant mode and press **Enter**.

Note

Alternatively, you can use the **-m** argument to install the solution in multi-tenant mode silently:

```
sudo ./NAKIVO_Backup_&_Replication_TRIAL.sh -m
```

6. Optionally, you can install CA **Transporter** certificate. Enter the path to the folder containing the certificate file and press **Enter**.

Notes

- If no path to the CA certificate was provided, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically installs a self-signed certificate.
- It is possible to set up CA-signed certificate for the **Transporter** by conducting silent installation using the command-line arguments passed to the installer. Use the following command:

```
installer.sh --cert /tmp/certificate.pem --eula-accept
```

7. Specify the installation path for the product: Press **Enter** to accept the default installation path “/opt/nakivo” or enter a custom path and press **Enter**.
8. Specify the Director HTTPS port (which will be used to access the Web UI of NAKIVO Backup & Replication): Press **Enter** to accept the default port 4443 or enter a custom port number and press **Enter**. Make sure the port you specify is open in your firewall.
9. Specify whether to allow the product to automatically send support bundles to a NAKIVO server during the evaluation period. If this option is enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will automatically create, encrypt, and upload support bundles once a day to a NAKIVO support server during the evaluation period. NAKIVO Support team may use this information to improve the product experience and will be able to identify and resolve product issues faster.
10. Specify the **Transporter** port (which will be used to connect to the **Transporter** that is installed by default with the **Director**): Press **Enter** to accept the default port “9446” or enter a custom port number (1 to 65535) and press **Enter**. Make sure the port you specify is open in your firewall.
11. Specify a range of port numbers (from 1 to 65535) that will be used to transfer data by the Onboard **Transporter** (default are 9448-10000). The range you specify should contain at least 100 ports. Make sure that the ports you specify are open in your firewall.
12. The onboard backup repository for the Master Tenant is automatically created after the installation.
13. Specify a path to the default backup repository: Press **Enter** to accept the default path /opt/nakivo/repository or enter a custom path and press **Enter** to begin the installation process.

Note

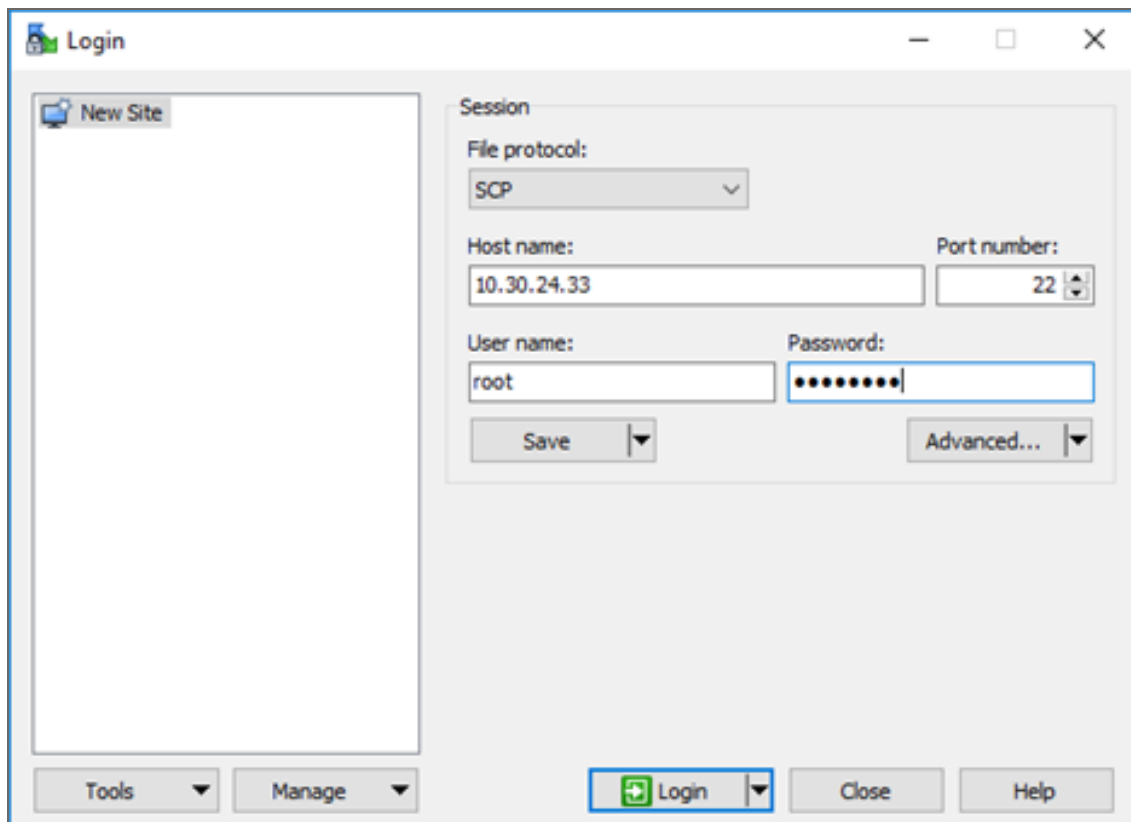
The onboard backup repository for the Master Tenant is automatically created after the installation.

After the installation is complete, you can log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication by going to the following URL in your web browser: `https://machine_IP_or_DNS:director_https_port`. Refer to [“Getting Started” on page 288](#) to know how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

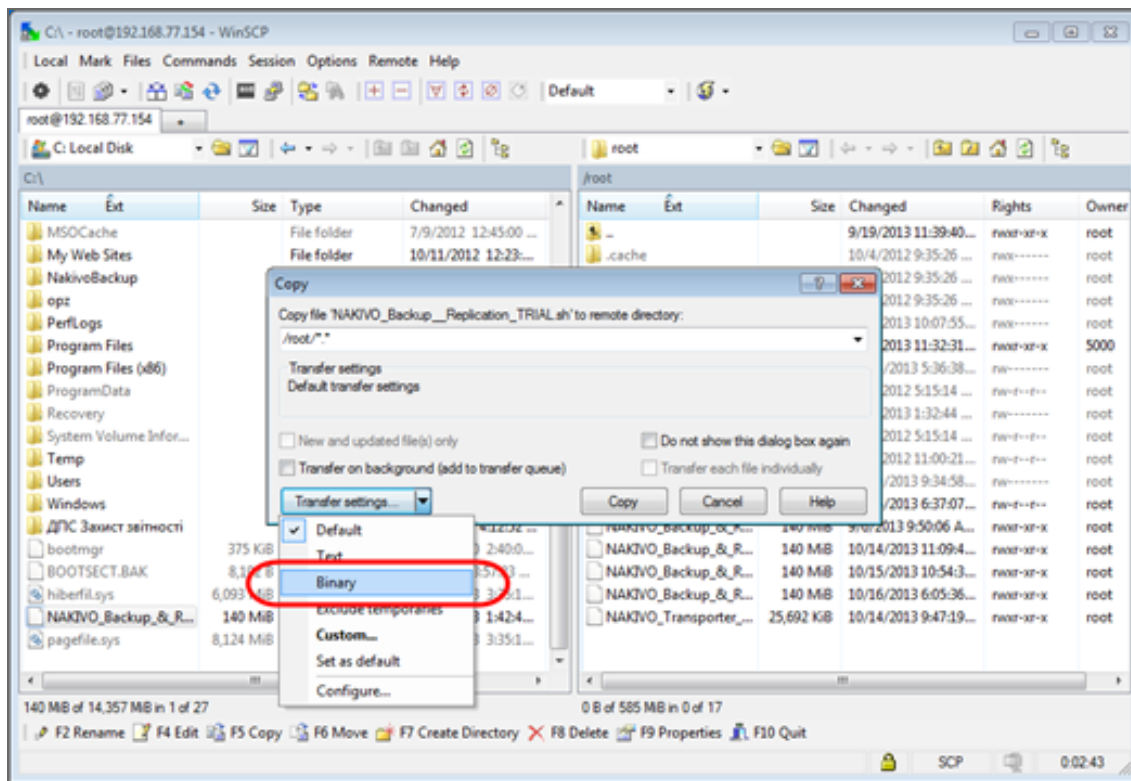
Uploading Installer from Windows Machine to Linux Machine

To upload the installer from a Windows-based machine, follow the steps below:

1. Download the free WinSCP client from <http://winscp.net>, install, and run it.
2. Choose **SCP** from the **File protocol** list.
3. Specify the IP address or the hostname of the Linux machine on which you would like to install the product in the **Host name** field.
4. Specify the username and password to the Linux machine in the appropriate boxes.
5. Leave other options as is and click **Login**.



6. Click **Yes** in the dialog box that opens.
7. In the left pane, find the folder that contains the Linux installer, in the right pane, go up to the root folder.
8. Drag and drop the installer from left to the right pane.
9. Choose **Binary** from the **Transfer settings** drop-down list in the **Copy** dialog box that opens.



10. Click **Copy**.

Installing on Synology NAS

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can be installed directly on a [supported Synology NAS](#) to create your own, high-performance backup appliance. With the appliance, all VM data protection components are unified in a single system that is fast to deploy and easy to manage, while also not consuming your environment's valuable resources. Moreover, you are getting an all-in-one backup hardware, backup software, backup storage, and data deduplication in a single box. This results in a zero VMware footprint, less power and cooling, less required maintenance, time, money, and – most of all – higher VM backup performance. You can install a Synology package with either all NAKIVO Backup & Replication components ([Director](#), [Transporter](#), [Backup Repository](#)) or a **Transporter** only. The product can be installed via Package Center or manually. For more details, refer to the corresponding topics below:

- [“Installing on Synology NAS via Package Center” on page 231](#)
- [“Installing on Synology NAS Manually” on page 233](#)

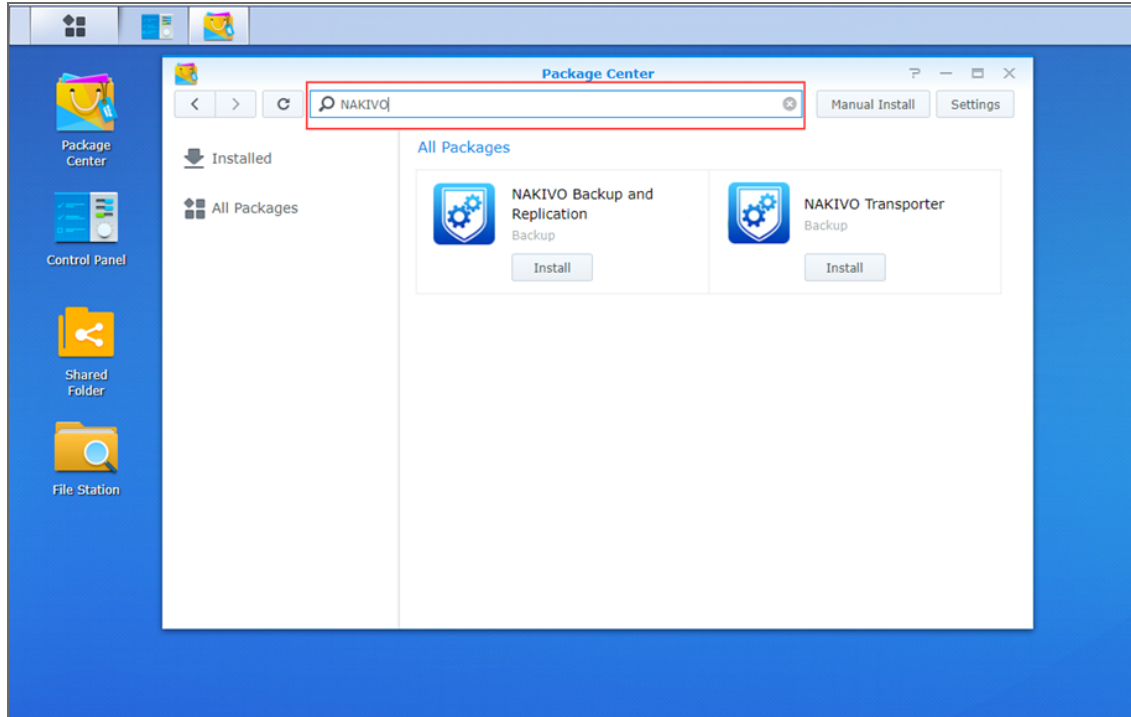
Note

A pre-shared key is not created during **Transporter**-only installation. When adding this Transporter to NAKIVO Backup & Replication, filling out the master password field is not required. The master password can be manually set and reset later. For details, refer to [“Installed Service” on page 485](#).

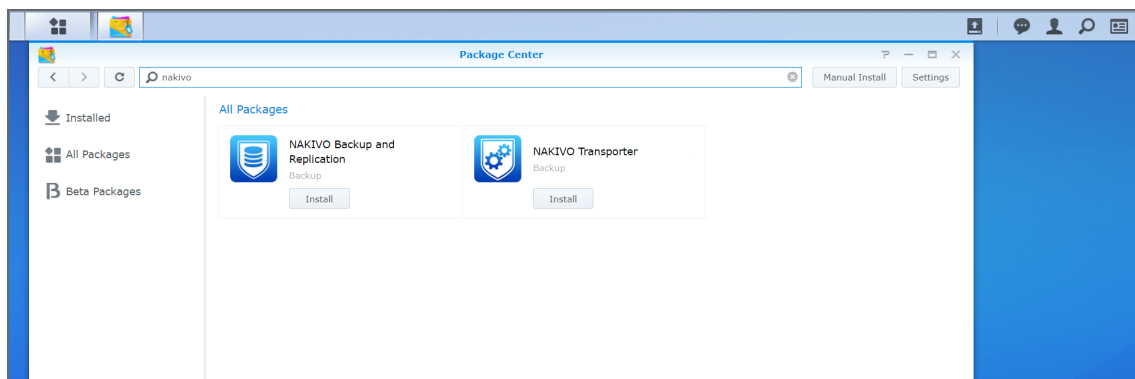
Installing on Synology NAS via Package Center

To automatically install a NAKIVO Backup & Replication application on a Synology NAS, do the following:

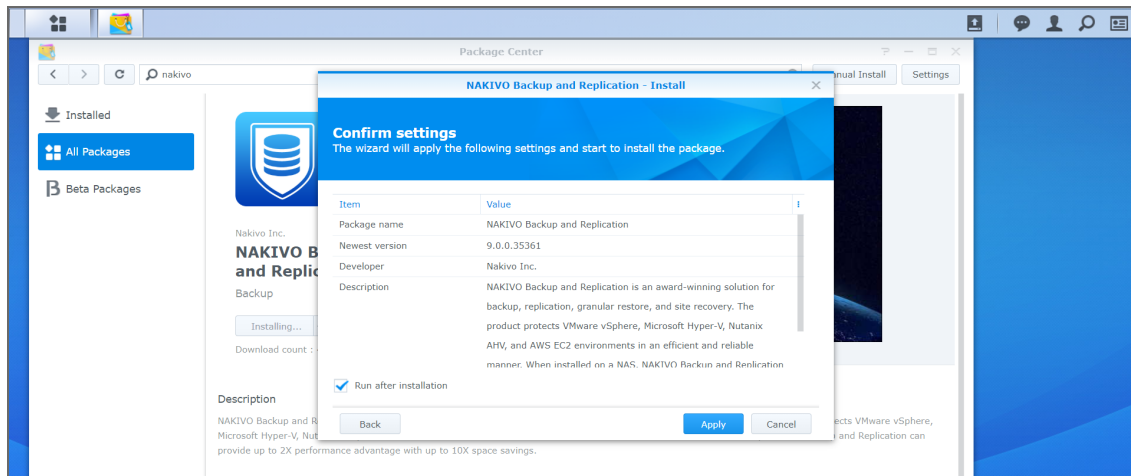
1. Log in to your Synology account and open **Package Center** in the management interface.
2. Use the search box to find NAKIVO Backup & Replication packages.



3. Click **Install** on one of the following:
 - **NAKIVO Backup and Replication** to install all product components.
 - **NAKIVO Transporter** to install a **Transporter** only.



4. Select the **I accept the terms of the license agreement** checkbox and click **Next**.
5. In the **Confirm settings** dialog box, click **Apply**.



Note

If you installed NAKIVO Backup & Replication on an ARM-based NAS, an additional **Transporter** needs to be added to your application outside of the ARM-based NAS to allow it to work with VMware vCenters and ESXi hosts. Please refer to the [“Adding VMware vCenters and ESXi hosts” on page 439](#) topic for details.

Refer to [“Getting Started” on page 288](#) to better understand how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Installing on Synology NAS Manually

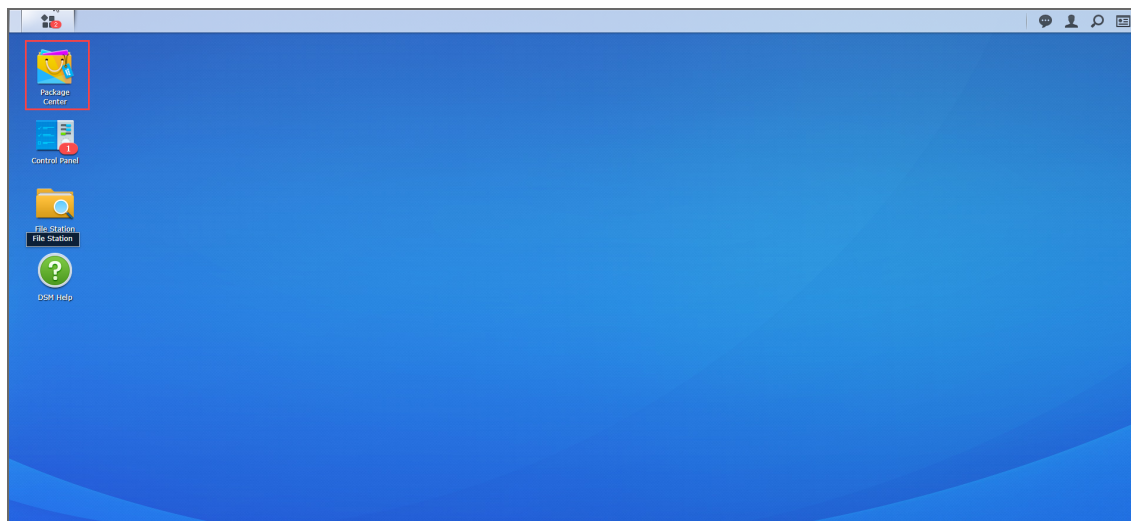
If for any reason installation of NAKIVO Backup & Replication via Package Center is not available for your Synology NAS, you can install it manually.

The following packages are available for manual installation:

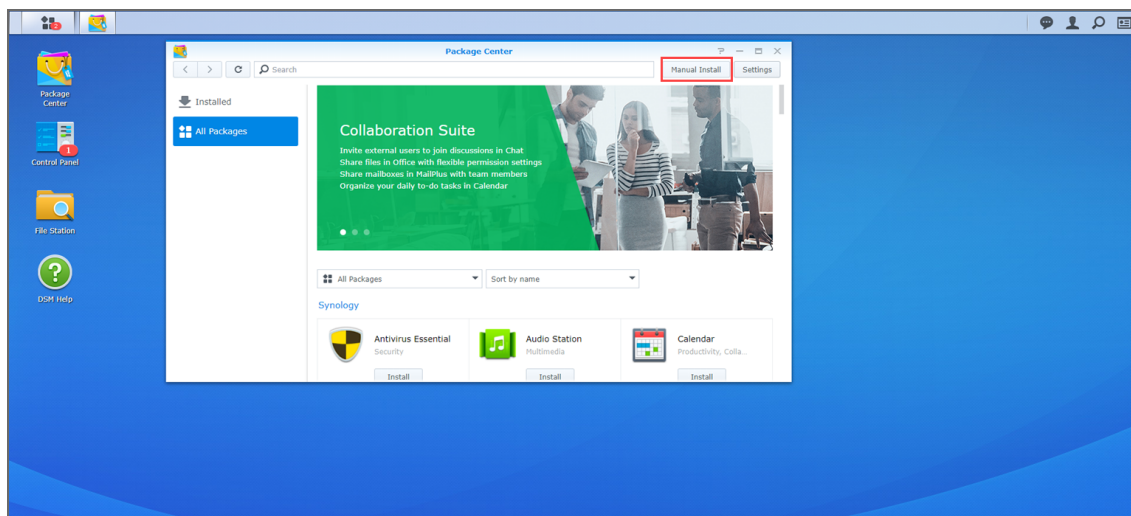
- Synology package
- Synology **Transporter** package
- Synology ARM package
- Synology ARM **Transporter** package

To manually install NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a Synology NAS, do the following:

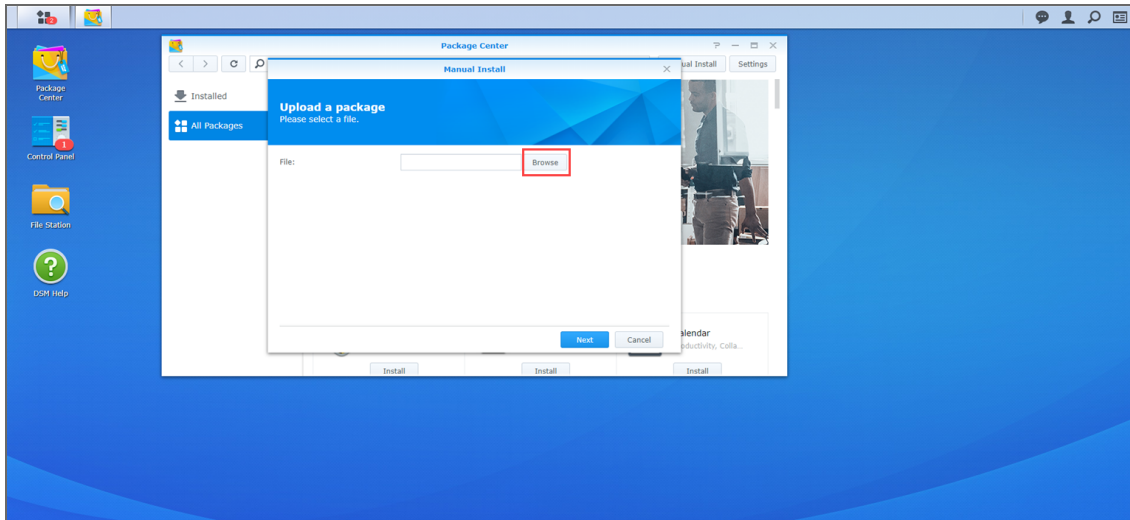
1. Download a [Synology NAS package](#).
2. Log in to your Synology account and open the **Package Center** in the management interface.



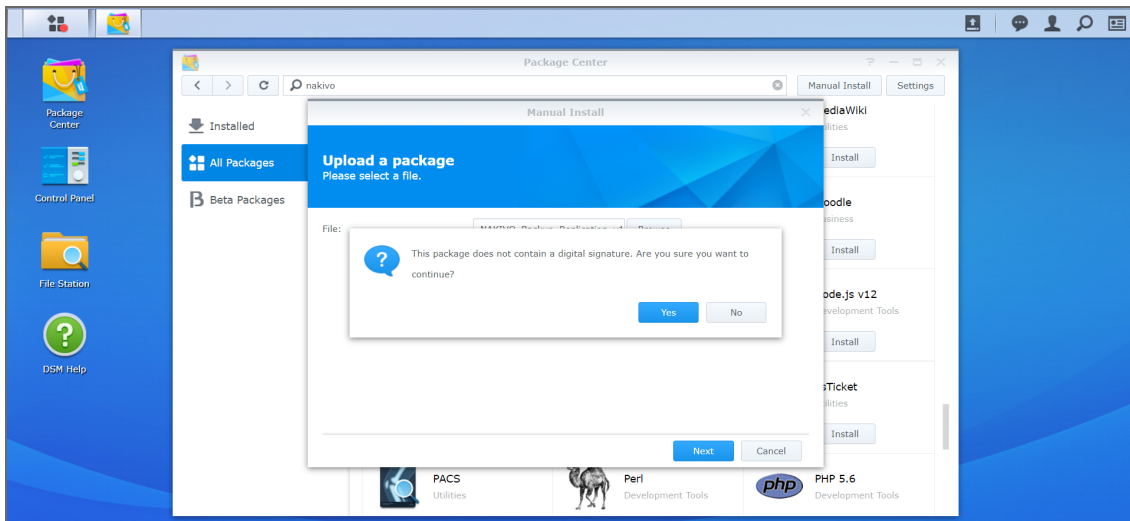
3. Click **Manual Install**.



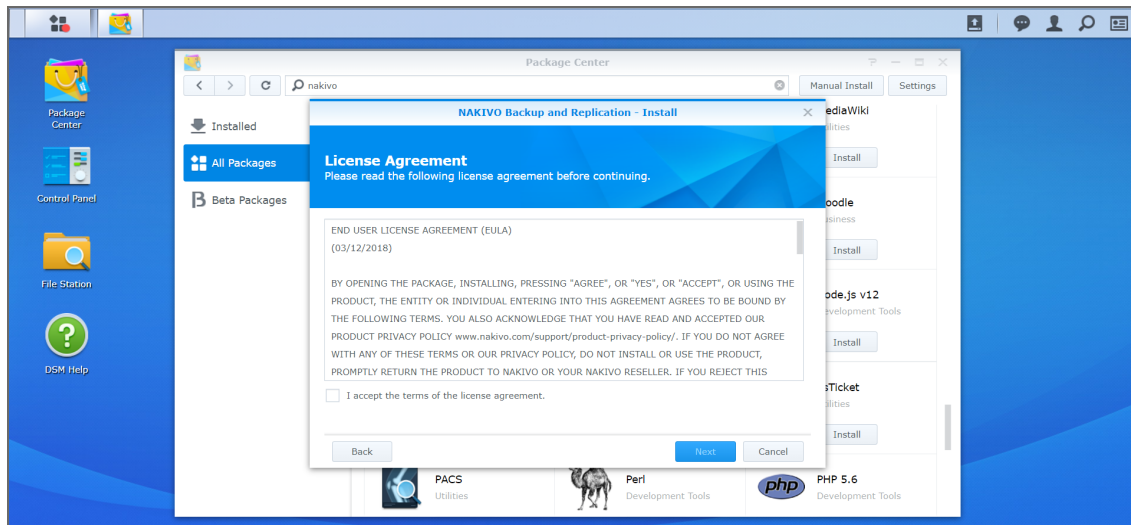
- Click **Browse**, navigate to the Synology NAS package that you have downloaded, select it, and click **Open**.



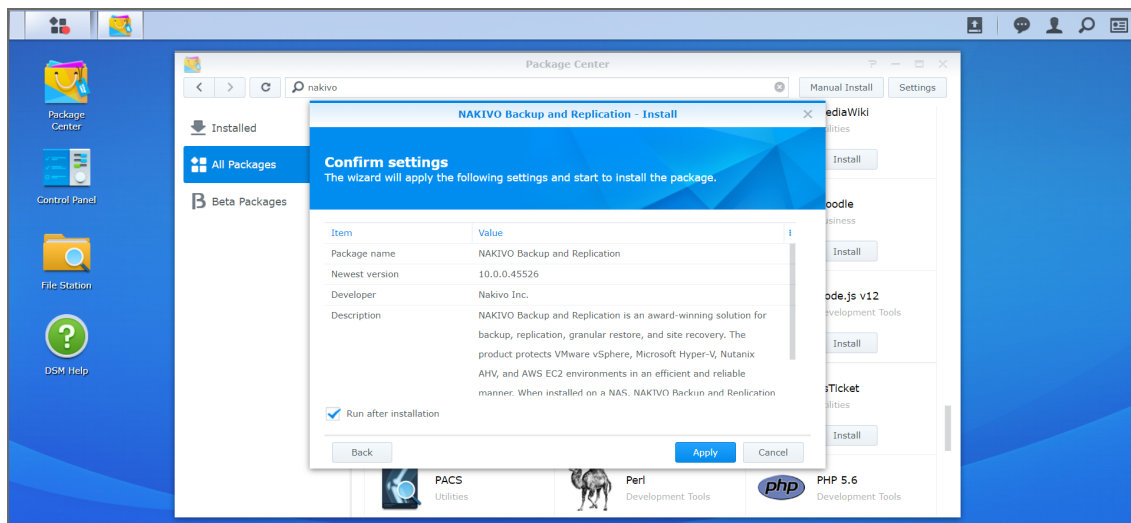
- Click **Yes** to proceed.



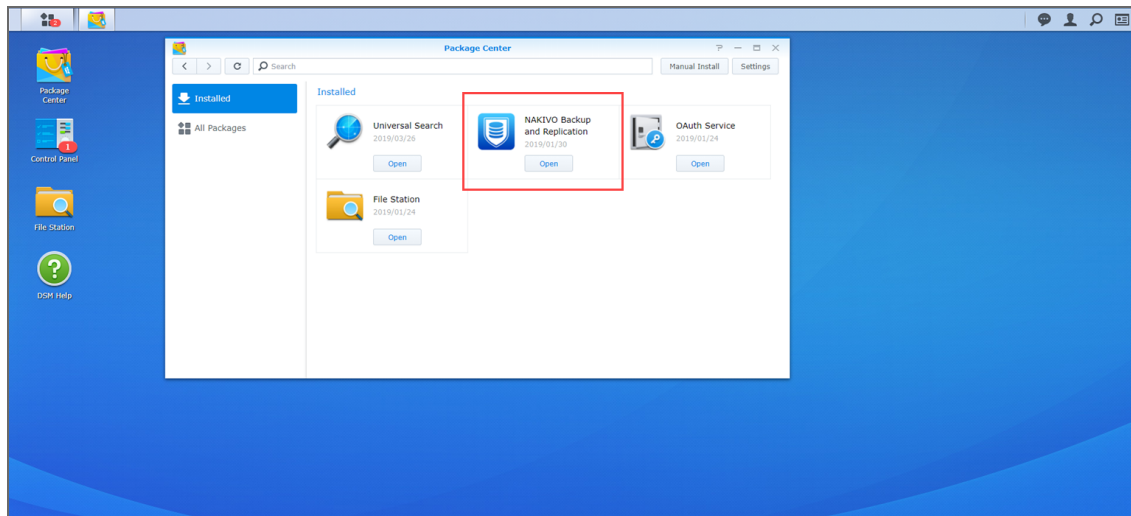
- After reading through the License Agreement, check **I accept the terms of the license agreement** and click **Next**.



7. Optionally check **Run after installation** to start NAKIVO Backup & Replication immediately after the install process is finished. Click **Apply**.



8. Now NAKIVO Backup & Replication is installed on your NAS. To open the NAKIVO Backup & Replication Web interface, go to the following address in your web browser: `https://NAS_IP_address:4443`, or click the NAKIVO Backup & Replication icon in the main menu of the NAS.



Note

If you installed NAKIVO Backup & Replication on an ARM-based NAS, an additional **Transporter** needs to be added to your application outside of the ARM-based NAS to allow it to work with VMware vCenters and ESXi hosts. Please refer to the [“Adding VMware vCenters and ESXi hosts” on page 439](#) topic for details.

Refer to [“Getting Started” on page 288](#) to better understand how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Installing on QNAP NAS

You can install a QNAP package with either all NAKIVO Backup & Replication components ([Director](#), [Transporter](#), [Backup Repository](#)) or a **Transporter** only.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can be installed directly on a [supported QNAP NAS](#) to create your own, high-performance backup appliance. With this appliance, all VM data protection components are unified in a single system that is quick to deploy and easy to manage, while also not consuming your environment's valuable resources. Moreover, you are getting an all-in-one backup hardware, backup software, backup storage, and data deduplication in a single box. This results in a zero VMware footprint, less power and cooling, less required maintenance, time, money, and – most of all – higher VM backup performance.

You can install NAKIVO Backup & Replication either via QNAP store or manually.

- [“Installing on QNAP NAS via QNAP Store” on page 238](#)
- [“Installing on QNAP NAS Manually” on page 240](#)

Note

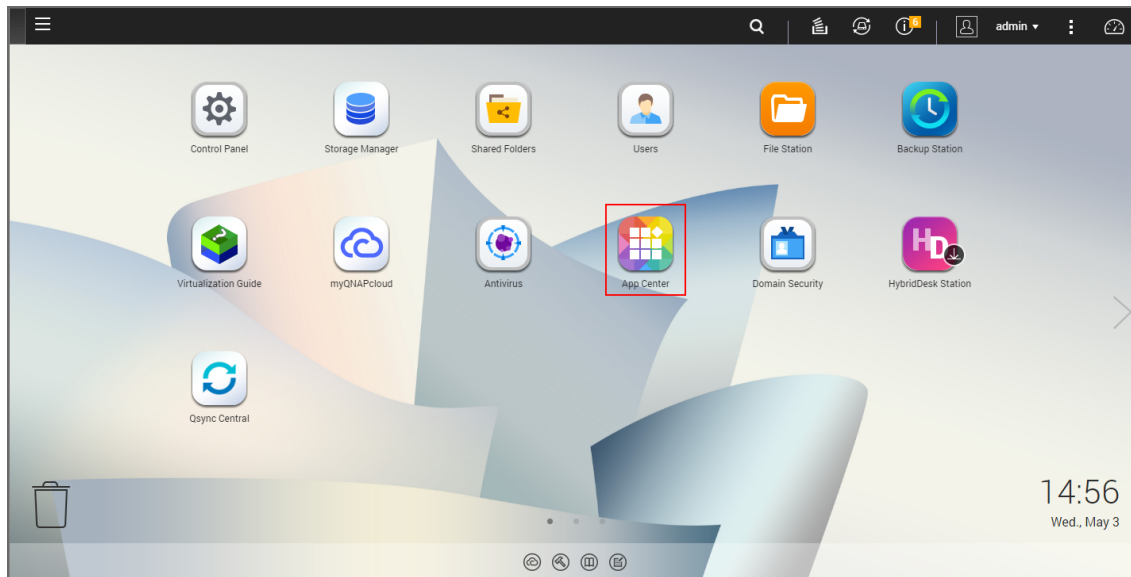
A pre-shared key is not created during **Transporter**-only installation. When adding this **Transporter** to NAKIVO Backup & Replication, filling out the master password field is not required. The master password can be manually set and reset later. For details, refer to [“Installed Service” on page 485](#).

Installing on QNAP NAS via QNAP Store

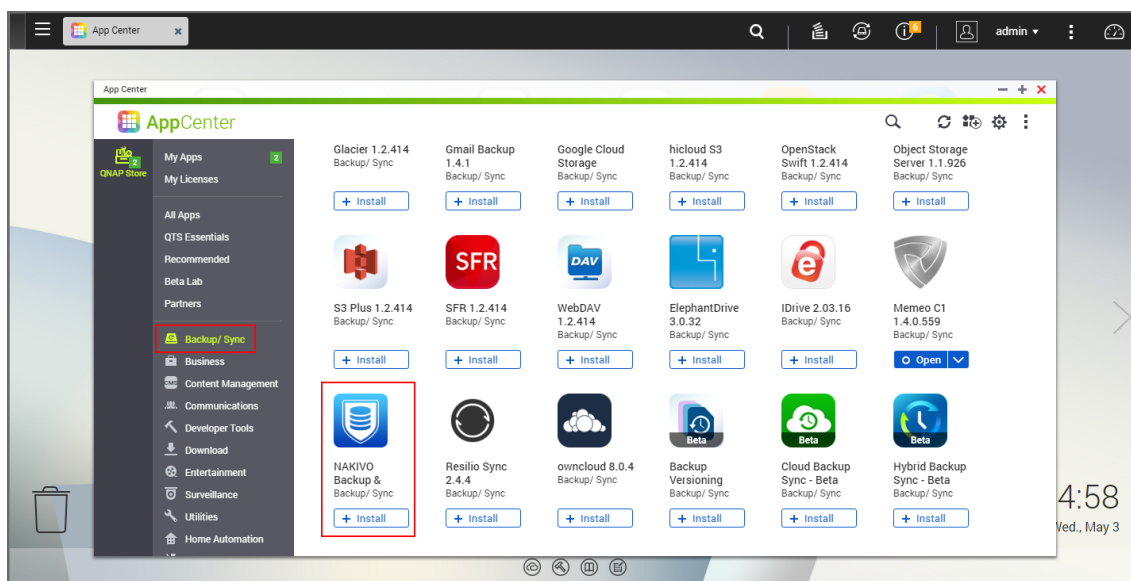
Check to see if your NAS model is [supported](#) before you begin installing NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a QNAP NAS.

To install NAKIVO Backup & Replication take the following steps:

1. Open the QNAP Desktop in your browser by entering the IP address of your QNAP NAS.



2. Go to **App Center**.
3. Select the **Backup/Sync** category and locate NAKIVO Backup & Replication. Alternatively, you can use the search bar at the top of the App Center window. Click on the magnifying glass icon and enter 'Nakivo'.



4. Click **Install**.
5. Wait till the installation is completed.

By default, NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface is available by the IP address of your QNAP NAS on the port 4443: https://<IP_address_of_QNAP_NAS>:4443.

Note

If you installed NAKIVO Backup & Replication on an ARM-based NAS, an additional **Transporter** needs to be added to your application outside of the ARM-based NAS to allow it to work with VMware vCenters and ESXi hosts. Please refer to the [“Adding VMware vCenters and ESXi hosts” on page 439](#) topic for details.

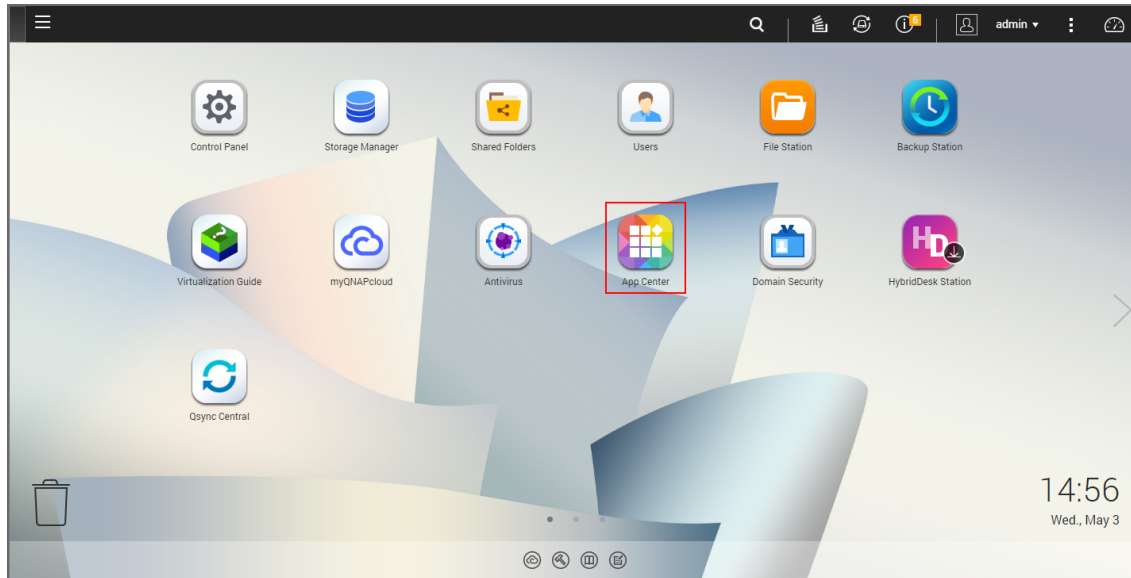
Refer to [“Getting Started” on page 288](#) to know how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Installing on QNAP NAS Manually

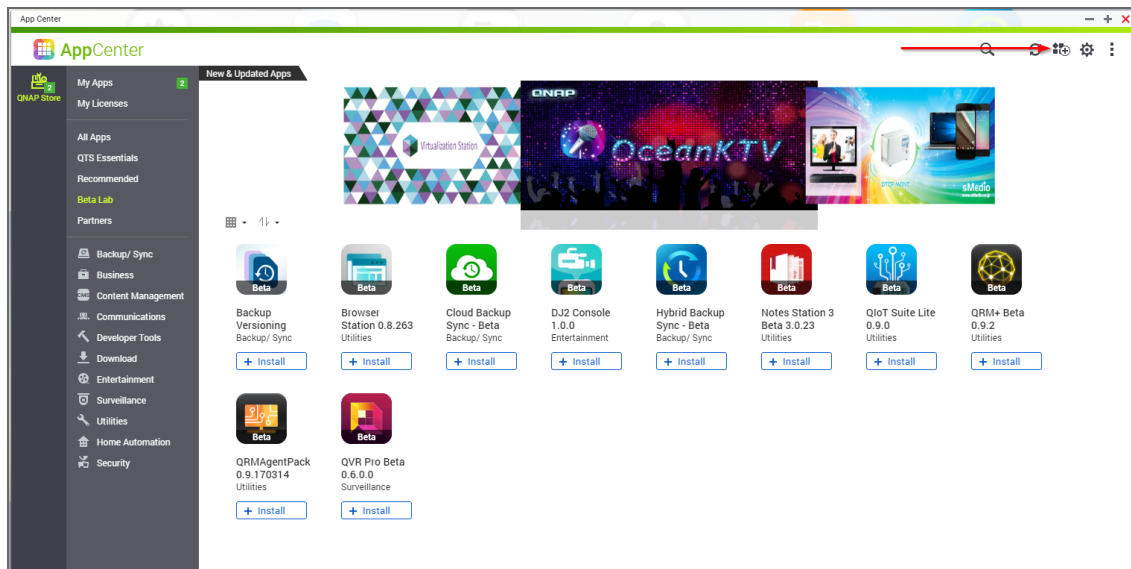
Before you begin installing NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a NAS, make sure your NAS model is [supported](#) and you have downloaded the installer (.qpk file) for QNAP NAS.

To install NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a NAS:

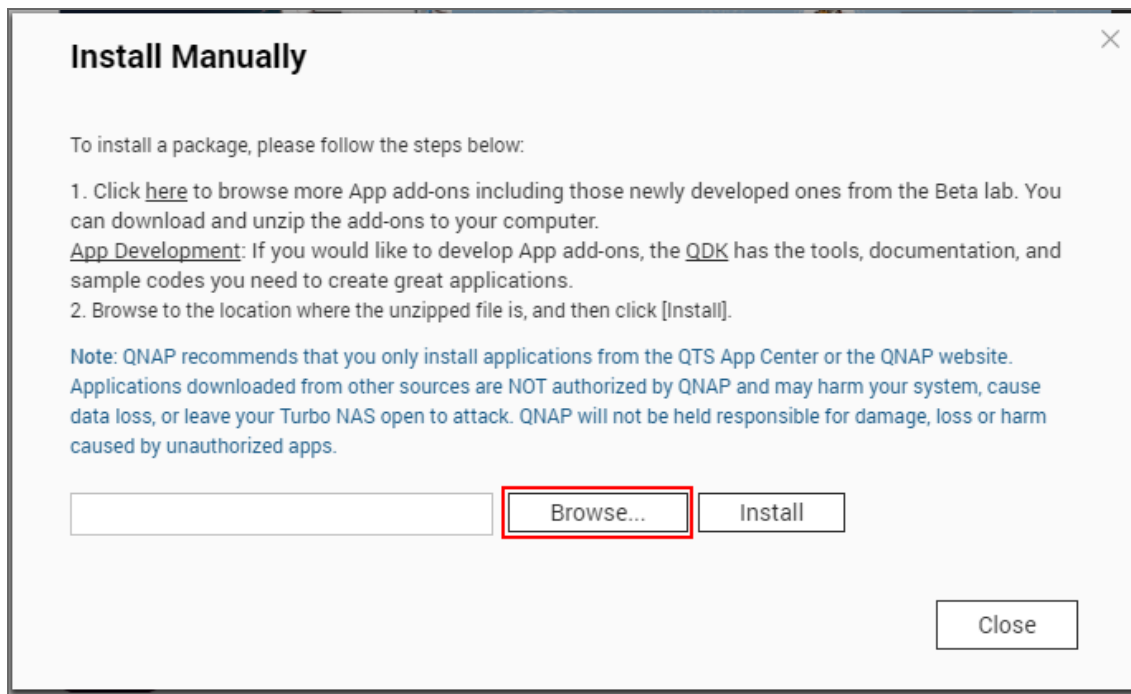
1. Open the QNAP Desktop in your browser by entering the IP address of your QNAP NAS.



2. Go to **App Center**.
3. Click the **Install Manually** icon.



4. Click **Browse** in the window that appears and locate the installer (.qpk file) on your computer.



5. Click **Install**.

6. Wait until the installation is complete.

By default, NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface is available at the IP address of your QNAP NAS on the port 4443: https://<IP_address_of_QNAP_NAS>:4443.

Note

If you installed NAKIVO Backup & Replication on an ARM-based NAS, an additional **Transporter** needs to be added to your application outside of the ARM-based NAS to allow it to work with VMware vCenters and ESXi hosts. Please refer to the [Adding VMware vCenters and ESXi Hosts](#) topic for details.

Refer to [“Getting Started” on page 288](#) to better understand how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Installing on ASUSTOR NAS

You can install an ASUSTOR package with either all NAKIVO Backup & Replication components ([Director](#), [Transporter](#), [Backup Repository](#)) or a Transporter only.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can be installed directly on a [supported ASUSTOR NAS](#) to create your own, high-performance backup appliance. With the appliance, all VM data protection components are unified in a single system that is fast to deploy and easy to manage, while also not consuming your environment's valuable resources. Moreover, you are getting an all-in-one backup hardware, backup software, backup storage, and data deduplication in a single box.

- [“Installing on ASUSTOR NAS via App Central” on page 243](#)
- [“Installing on ASUSTOR NAS Manually” on page 245](#)

Note

A pre-shared key is not created during Transporter-only installation. When adding this Transporter to NAKIVO Backup & Replication, filling out the master password field is not required. The master password can be manually set and reset later. For details, refer to [“Installed Service” on page 485](#).

Installing on ASUSTOR NAS via App Central

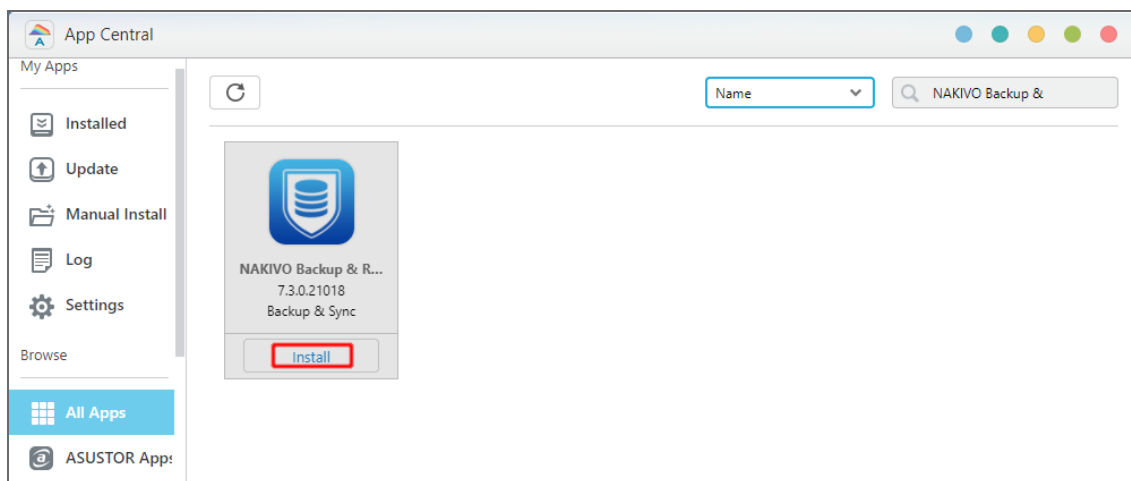
Before you begin installing NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a NAS make sure your NAS model is [supported](#).

To install NAKIVO Backup & Replication on ASUSTOR NAS via App Central:

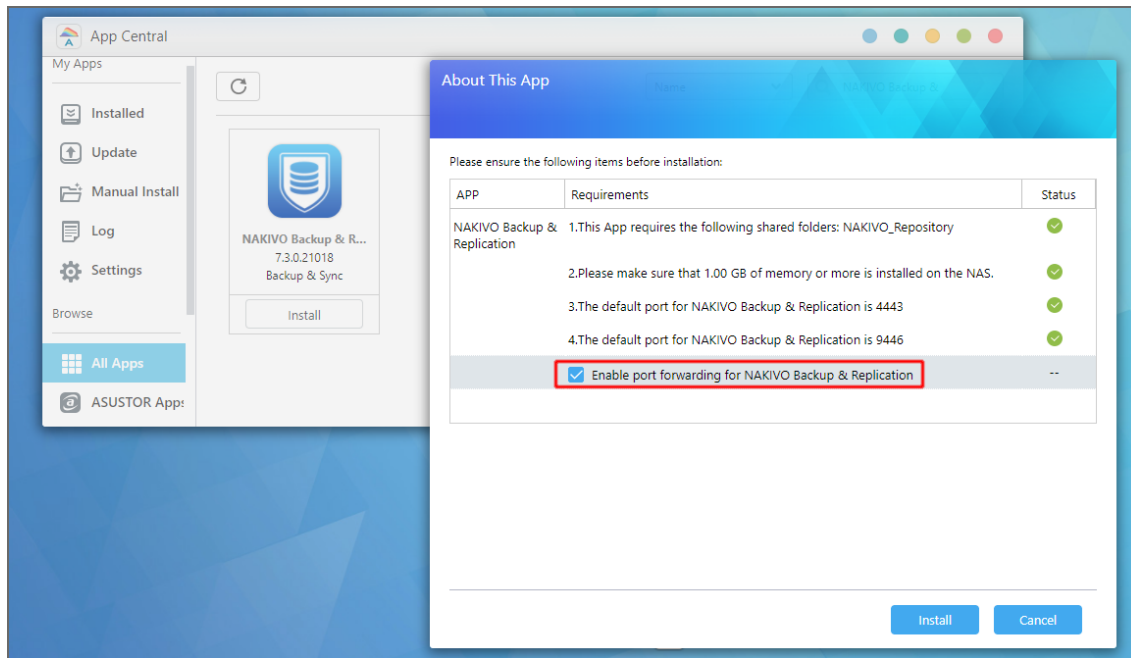
1. Open the ASUSTOR Desktop in your browser by entering the IP address of your ASUSTOR NAS.



2. Go to **App Central**.
3. Go to **Browse > All Apps**.
4. Find **NAKIVO Backup & Replication** in the store. Alternatively, enter **Nakivo** in the search box.
5. Click **Install**.



6. In the **About This App** dialog box that opens, select **Enable port forwarding for NAKIVO Backup & Replication** and then click **Install**.



7. Wait until the installation is complete.

By default, the NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface is available at the IP address of your ASUSTOR NAS on the port 4443: `https://<IP_address_of_ASUSTOR_NAS>:4443`.

Note

If you have installed NAKIVO Backup & Replication on an ARM-based NAS, an additional Transporter needs to be added to the application outside of the ARM-based NAS to allow working with VMware vCenters and ESXi hosts. Please refer to the [“Adding VMware vCenters and ESXi hosts” on page 439](#) topic for details.

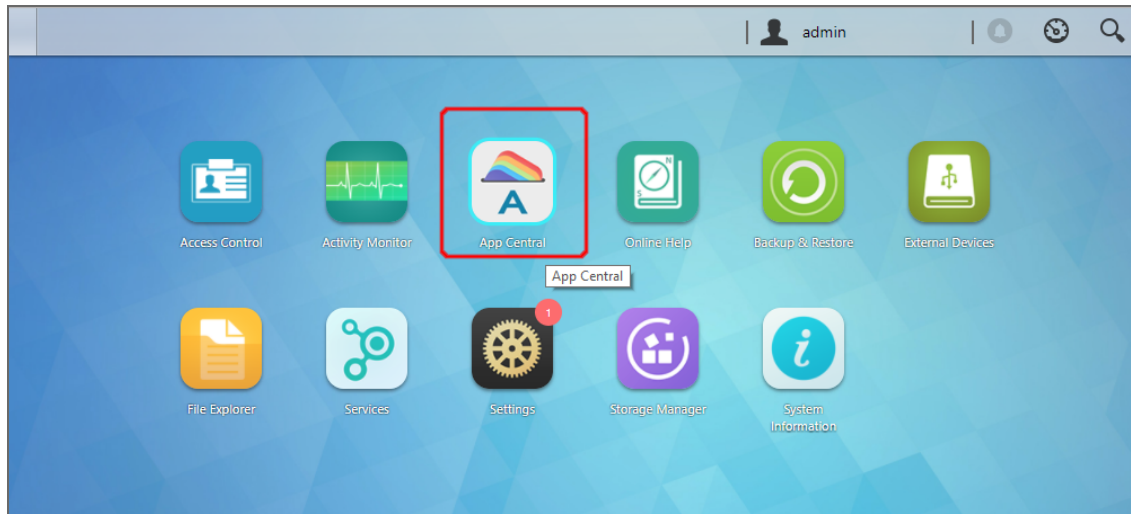
Refer to [“Getting Started” on page 288](#) to understand better how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Installing on ASUSTOR NAS Manually

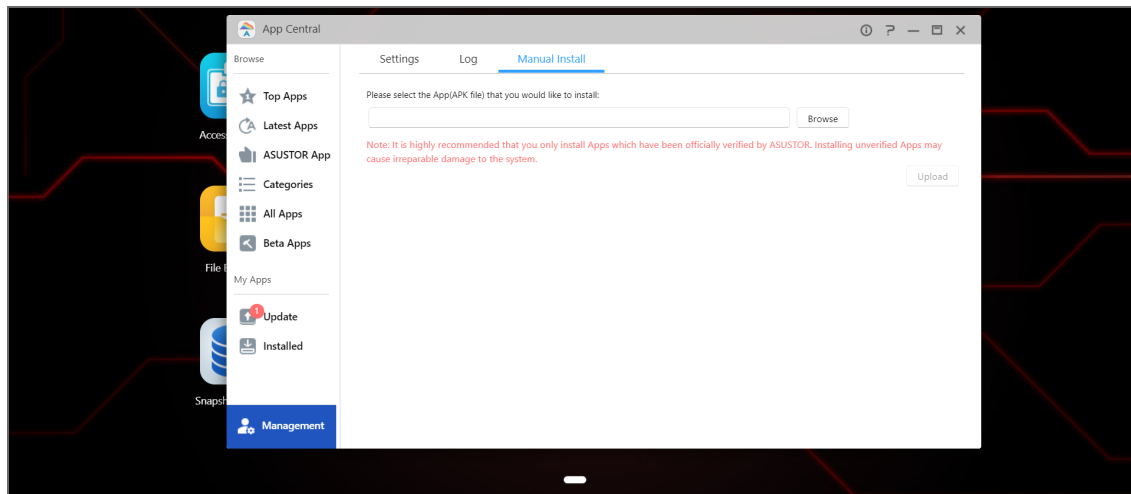
Before you begin installing NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a NAS, make sure your NAS model is [supported](#) and you have downloaded an installer (.apk file) for ASUSTOR NAS.

To manually install NAKIVO Backup & Replication on ASUSTOR NAS:

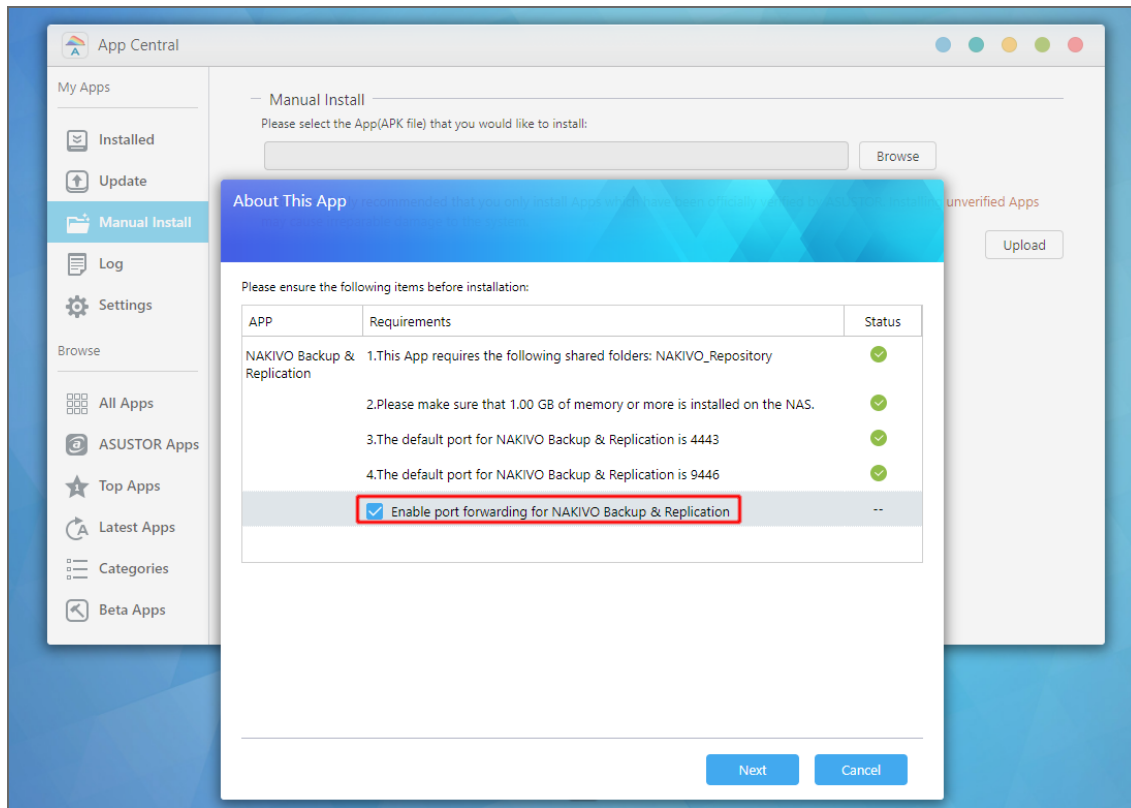
1. Open the ASUSTOR Desktop in your browser by entering the IP address of your ASUSTOR NAS.
2. Go to **App Central**.



3. Click **Management > Manual Install**.



4. Click **Browse**. In the dialog box that opens, locate the installer (.apk file) on your computer.
5. Click **Upload**.
6. In the **About This App** dialog box that opens, check **Enable port forwarding for NAKIVO Backup & Replication**.



7. Click **Next**.
 8. In the warning dialog box that opens, select **I understand the risks associated with installing unverified apps**.
 9. Click **Install**.
 10. Wait until the installation is complete.
- By default, the NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface is available at the IP address of your ASUSTOR NAS on the port 4443: `https://<IP_address_of_ASUSTOR_NAS>:4443`.

Note

If you have installed NAKIVO Backup & Replication on an ARM-based NAS, an additional Transporter needs to be added to the application outside of the ARM-based NAS to allow working with VMware vCenters and ESXi hosts. Please refer to the [“Adding VMware vCenters and ESXi hosts” on page 439](#) topic for details.

Refer to [“Getting Started” on page 288](#) to understand better how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Installing on Western Digital NAS

You can install a Western Digital MyCloud package with either all NAKIVO Backup & Replication components (**Director**, **Transporter**, **Backup Repository**) or a **Transporter** only. The following packages are available:

- Western Digital MyCloud DL2100 package
- Western Digital MyCloud DL2100 **Transporter** package
- Western Digital MyCloud DL4100 package
- Western Digital MyCloud DL4100 **Transporter** package
- Western Digital MyCloud PR2100 package
- Western Digital MyCloud PR 2100 **Transporter** package
- Western Digital MyCloud PR 4100 package
- Western Digital MyCloud PR 4100 **Transporter** package

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can be installed directly on a Western Digital MyCloud NAS to create your own, high-performance backup appliance. With this appliance, all VM data protection components are unified in a single system that is quick to deploy and easy to manage, while also not consuming your environment's valuable resources. Moreover, you are getting an all-in-one backup hardware, backup software, backup storage, and data deduplication in a single box. This results in a zero VMware footprint, less power and cooling, less required maintenance, time, money, and – most of all – higher VM backup performance. NAKIVO Backup & Replication is installed on a NAS hard drive (not on the NAS Flash memory), so if you remove the hard drive from the NAS you will also remove the product from it.

Note

A pre-shared key is not created during **Transporter**-only installation. When adding this **Transporter** to NAKIVO Backup & Replication, filling out the master password field is not required. The master password can be manually set and reset later. For details, refer to [“Installed Service” on page 485](#).

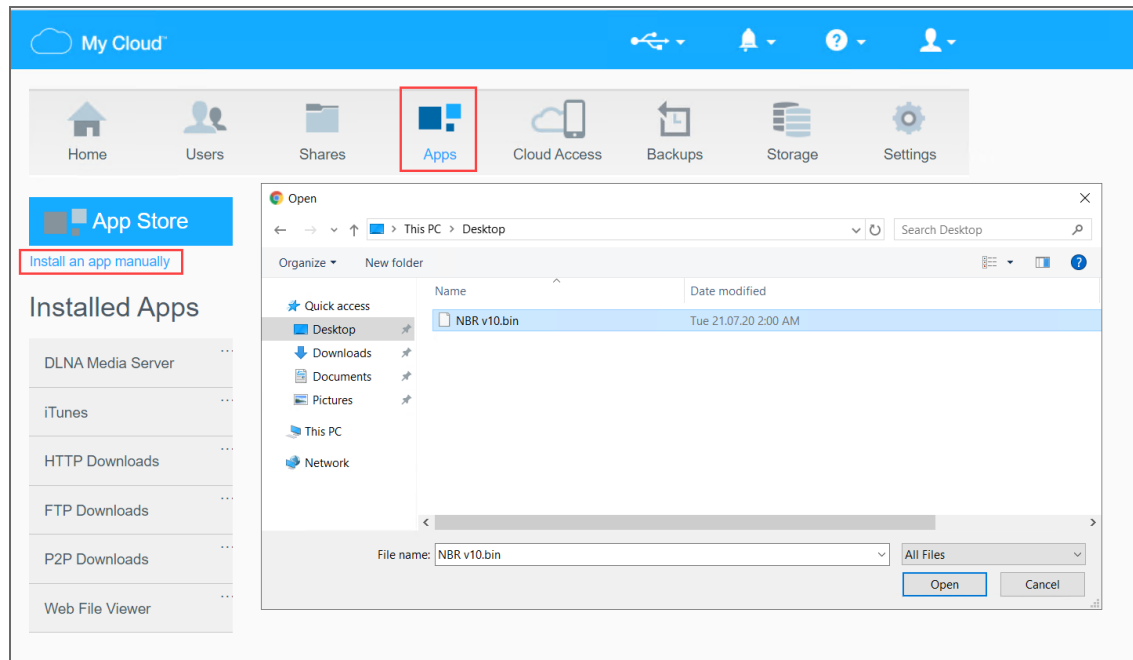
Prior to installing NAKIVO Backup & Replication onto a Western Digital MyCloud NAS device, make sure the following requirements have been met:

1. Your Western Digital MyCloud NAS model is **supported** by NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
2. You have access to the NAS **My Cloud** Dashboard.
3. You have NAKIVO Backup & Replication installer for Western Digital NAS available on your computer.

Follow the steps below to install NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a Western Digital MyCloud NAS device:

1. On the **My Cloud** dashboard, click **Apps**. The list of installed NAS applications opens on the left side of the page.

2. Above the list of NAS installed applications, click **Install an app manually**. The **File Upload** dialog opens.



3. In the **File Upload** dialog, navigate to your copy of NAKIVO Backup & Replication installer and click **Open**. The installation progress bar opens.
4. When the installation finishes successfully, a dialog box opens with a message informing you about it. Click **OK** to close the dialog box.

After the installation is complete, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will appear in the list of installed NAS applications. To access the product, do either of the following:

- Open the `https://<NAS_IP>:4443` address in your browser.
- In the list of installed NAS applications, click **NAKIVO Backup & Replication** and then click **Configure**.

Refer to [“Getting Started” on page 288](#) to better understand how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Installing on NETGEAR ReadyNAS

You can install the NETGEAR package that includes all NAKIVO Backup & Replication components ([Director](#), [Transporter](#), [Backup Repository](#)) or the NETGEAR Transporter package.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can be installed directly on a [supported](#) NETGEAR ReadyNAS to create your own high-performance backup appliance. With the appliance, all VM data protection components are unified in a single system that is fast to deploy and easy to manage, while also not consuming your environment's valuable resources. Moreover, you are getting an all-in-one backup hardware, backup software, backup storage, and data deduplication in a single box. For installation instructions, refer to the following topics:

- [“Installing on NETGEAR ReadyNAS via Available Apps” on page 250](#)
- [“Installing on NETGEAR ReadyNAS Manually” on page 251](#)

Note

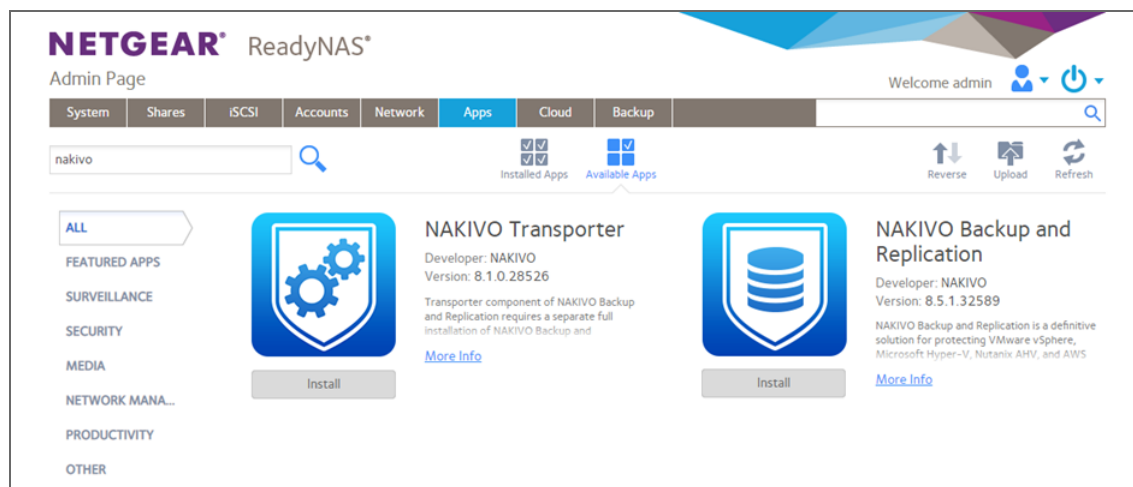
A pre-shared key is not created during **Transporter**-only installation. When adding this **Transporter** to NAKIVO Backup & Replication, filling out the master password field is not required. The master password can be manually set and reset later. For details, refer to [“Installed Service” on page 485](#).

Installing on NETGEAR ReadyNAS via Available Apps

Before you begin installing NAKIVO Backup & Replication or NAKIVO Transporter on a NETGEAR ReadyNAS device, please check if your NETGEAR ReadyNAS model is [supported](#).

To install NAKIVO Backup & Replication or NAKIVO **Transporter**, take the following steps:

1. Open the NETGEAR ReadyNAS **Admin Page** in your browser by entering the IP address of your NAS.
2. Go to **Apps** -> **Available Apps**.
3. Find **NAKIVO Backup & Replication** or **NAKIVO Transporter** in the list of available applications. Alternatively, you can enter NAKIVO to the filtering box in the upper left corner of the **Admin Page**.
4. Click the **Install** button below the corresponding item.



Note

Make sure that only one instance of the NAKIVO solution - either Full Product or **Transporter**-only - is installed on the device concurrently. Having both products installed at once may lead to incorrect operation.

5. Wait until the installation is completed.

By default, the **NAKIVO Backup & Replication** interface is available at the IP address of your NETGEAR ReadyNAS on the port 4443: `https://<IP_address_of_NETGEAR_ReadyNAS>:4443`.

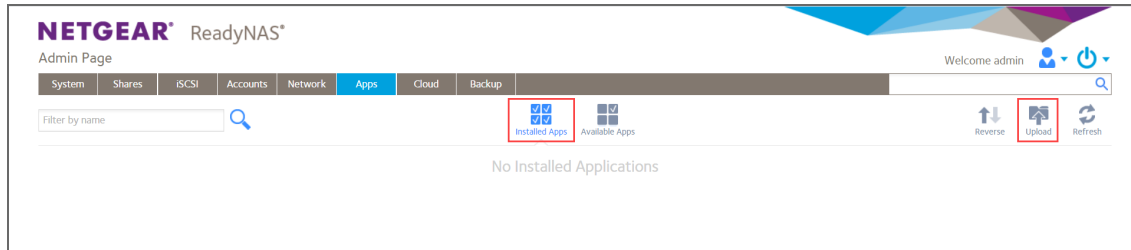
Refer to [“Getting Started” on page 288](#) to know how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Installing on NETGEAR ReadyNAS Manually

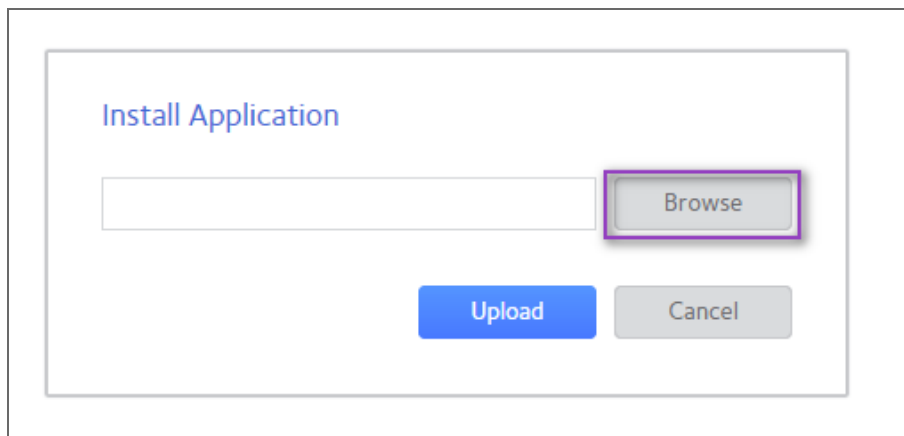
Before you begin installing NAKIVO Backup & Replication or NAKIVO Transporter on a NETGEAR ReadyNAS device, make sure your NAS model is [supported](#) and you have downloaded a relevant installer (.deb file) for NETGEAR ReadyNAS.

To install NAKIVO Backup & Replication or NAKIVO **Transporter**, take the following actions:

1. Open the NETGEAR ReadyNAS **Admin Page** in your browser by entering the IP address of your NAS.
2. Go to **Apps** and click **Upload**.



3. The **Install Application** dialog box opens. Click **Browse**.



4. In the dialog box that opens, locate the downloaded installer (.deb file) and then click **Upload**.
5. Wait until the installation has been completed.

Note

Make sure that only one instance of the NAKIVO solution - either Full Product or **Transporter**-only - is installed on the device concurrently. Having both products installed may lead to incorrect operations.

By default, NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface is available at the IP address of your NETGEAR ReadyNAS on the port 4443: `https://<IP_address_of_NETGEAR_ReadyNAS>:4443`.

Refer to [“Getting Started” on page 288](#) to understand better how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Installing on FreeNAS/TrueNAS

Make sure the following prerequisites are met:

- You have access to the FreeNAS/TrueNAS system.
- Your FreeNAS/TrueNAS system meets [system requirements](#) for installing NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
- The `iocage` jail/container manager is installed on your FreeNAS/TrueNAS system. Refer to the [iocage README page](#) for a description.
- A storage pool is created on your FreeNAS/TrueNAS system. Make sure the pool has enough storage for all NAKIVO Backup & Replication functionality. Refer to [FreeNAS User Guide](#) for more details on creating storage pools.

- To create local Repository on FreeNAS/TrueNAS local storage outside the jail, make sure you use the following [mount points](#):

Source: `/mnt/share/`

Destination: `/mnt/test/iocage/jails/nbr/root/usr/repo`

Notes

- The `repo` is an empty folder created by the user.
- The path for adding a repository on NAKIVO Backup & Replication is `/usr/repo`.

- Make sure to check limitations for FreeNAS/TrueNAS [here](#).

Follow the steps below to install NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a FreeNAS/TrueNAS system:

1. Log in to the FreeNAS/TrueNAS system via SSH.
2. Go to the `tmp` folder: `cd /tmp`
3. Download the necessary `json` file:
 - for the full NAKIVO Backup & Replication installation on a TrueNAS v12.2 and v13:
`wget https://github.com/NAKIVO/iocage-plugin-nbr/raw/master/nbr.json`
 - for the full NAKIVO Backup & Replication installation on a FreeNAS v11.3:
`wget https://github.com/NAKIVO/iocage-plugin-nbr/raw/11.3-RELEASE/nbr.json`
 - for the NAKIVO Backup & Replication Transporter installation on a TrueNAS v12.2 and v13:
`wget https://github.com/NAKIVO/iocage-plugin-nbr-transporter/raw/master/nbr-transporter.json`
 - for the NAKIVO Backup & Replication Transporter installation on a FreeNAS v11.3:
`wget https://github.com/NAKIVO/iocage-plugin-nbr-transporter/raw/11.3-RELEASE/nbr-transporter.json`

Note

If a utility for downloading files like `wget` or `curl` is missing on your FreeNAS/TrueNAS system, you can first download the necessary file to your local machine and then upload it to FreeNAS with a third-party tool like WinSCP or FileZilla.

4. Install NAKIVO Backup & Replication with the `iocage` jail/container manager:

Note

Make sure that the jail IP address is not the IP address of your FreeNAS/TrueNAS system.

- For the full NAKIVO Backup & Replication installation on a FreeNAS/TrueNAS:

```
iocage fetch -P nbr.json vnet="off" ip4="inherit" ip4_addr="em0|x.x.x.x/24"
```
- For the NAKIVO Backup & Replication **Transporter** installation on a FreeNAS/TrueNAS:

```
iocage fetch -P nbr-transporter.json vnet="off" ip4="inherit" ip4_addr="em0|x.x.x.x/24"
```

5. For the NAKIVO Backup & Replication **Transporter** installation, add the **Transporter** to the **Director**. Refer to [“Adding Existing Nodes” on page 485](#) for details.

Installing on Generic ARM-Based Device

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can be deployed on ARMv7/ARMv8 computers by downloading and running an appropriate script within a Linux-based OS [supported](#) by NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

1. Download a package suitable for your setup from the [downloads page](#).
2. Upload the installer file to the machine on which you wish to install NAKIVO Backup & Replication in the binary transfer mode. For example:
 1. [Upload the installer from a Windows-based machine](#)
 2. Upload the product from a Linux-based machine: run the following command: `wget 'server_ip/shared/NAKIVO Backup_&_Replication v8.5.0.30224 Installer-NAS-ARM-TRIAL.sh'`
3. Log in to the Linux machine and allow for the execution of the installer file.

Example

```
chmod +x ./NAKIVO Backup_&_Replication v8.5.0.30224 Installer-NAS-ARM-TRIAL.sh
```

4. Execute the installer file with root privileges.

Example

```
sudo ./NAKIVO Backup_&_Replication v8.5.0.30224 Installer-NAS-ARM-TRIAL.sh
```

5. Accept the License Agreement by typing [Y] and hit **Enter**. You can review the license agreement by typing [R]. Rejecting [N] the license agreement will terminate the installation process and the product will not be installed.
6. The system will notify you when the installation is successfully completed.

```
YOU AGREE THAT YOU HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT AND INTEND TO BE BOUND, AS IF YOU HAD SIGNED THIS AGREEMENT IN WRITING. I
F YOU ARE ACTING ON BEHALF OF AN ENTITY, YOU WARRANT THAT YOU HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMEN
T FOR SUCH ENTITY.
Type 'Y' to accept the license agreement and continue,
    'N' to not accept the license,
    'R' to review the license agreement.
Do you agree to the terms of this agreement [Y/N/R]? y
Installing Director...
Installing Transporter...
Applying configuration...
Registering Director service...
Starting Director service...
NAKIVO Backup & Replication installed successfully.
pi@raspberrypi:~ $
```

Refer to [“Getting Started” on page 288](#) to better understand how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Installing on Raspberry Pi

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can be installed on a Raspberry Pi computer.

- For system requirements, refer to [“Deployment Requirements” on page 141](#).
- For the installation procedure, refer to [“Installing on Generic ARM-Based Device” on page 254](#).

Refer to [“Getting Started” on page 288](#) to better understand how to continue working with NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Updating NAKIVO Backup & Replication

NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically checks for updates once each day. If an update is available, a notification is displayed in the product web interface. Click the notification link to view information about the update.

Starting from v8.5, a full solution of the NAKIVO Backup & Replication installed on Windows or Linux can be updated automatically. Should you find that product auto updating is not supported or there are some network issues, you can update the product manually. For more details, refer to the corresponding articles below.

To manually update any copy of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, go to the download page with updates.

To update your copy of the product to a newer version, you need to download an appropriate updater and run it on:

- Each machine on which you have additionally installed the **Transporter**.
- The machine on which the **Director** is installed.

Refer to the following topics for more information:

- [“Updating Virtual Appliance” on page 257](#)
- [“Updating on Windows” on page 262](#)
- [“Updating on Linux” on page 264](#)
- [“Updating on Synology NAS” on page 265](#)
- [“Updating on Western Digital NAS” on page 268](#)
- [“Updating on Amazon EC2” on page 269](#)
- [“Updating on QNAP NAS” on page 275](#)
- [“Updating on ASUSTOR NAS” on page 278](#)
- [“Updating on NETGEAR ReadyNAS” on page 280](#)
- [“Updating on FreeNAS/TrueNAS” on page 282](#)
- [“Updating on Generic ARM-Based Device” on page 282](#)
- [“Software Update” on page 384](#)

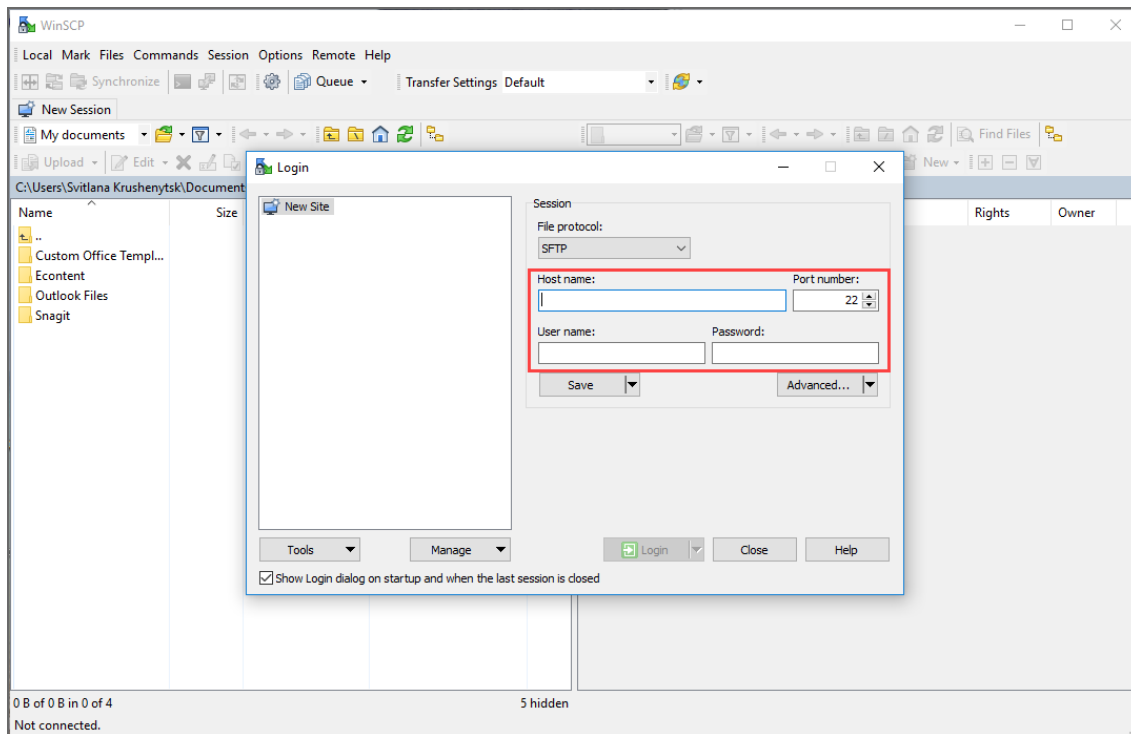
Updating Virtual Appliance

Prior to updating your virtual appliance (VA):

1. Make sure that no jobs or repository maintenance tasks are running in the product.
2. Create a snapshot of the VA to revert to the previous version in case any failure occurs.

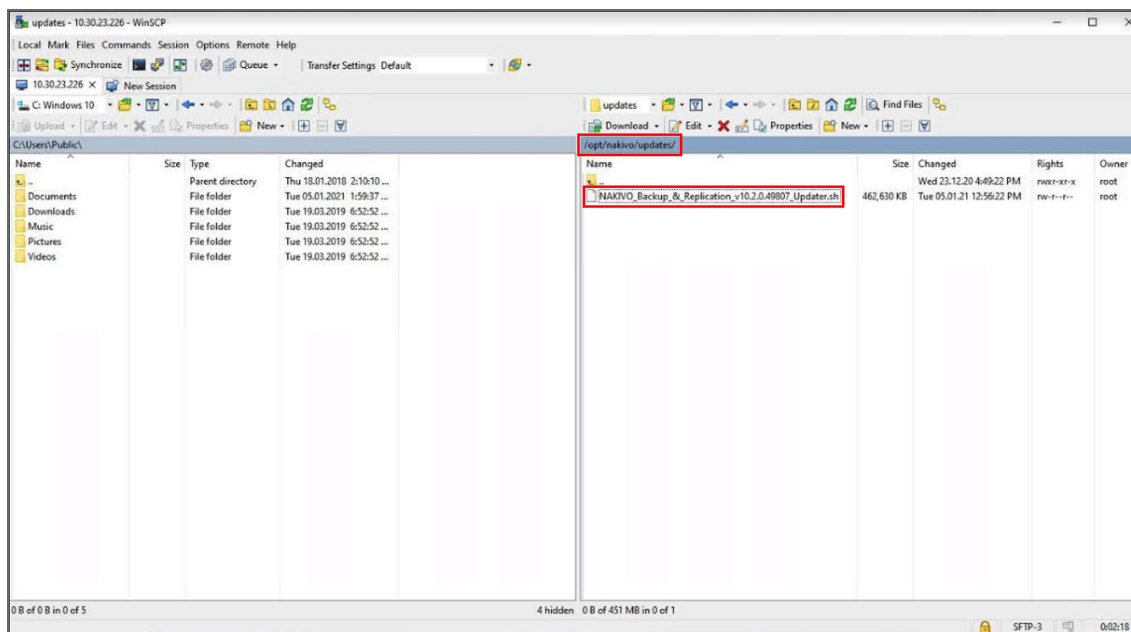
Follow the steps below to update your VA:

1. Using SSH client, log in to the VA that needs to be updated.



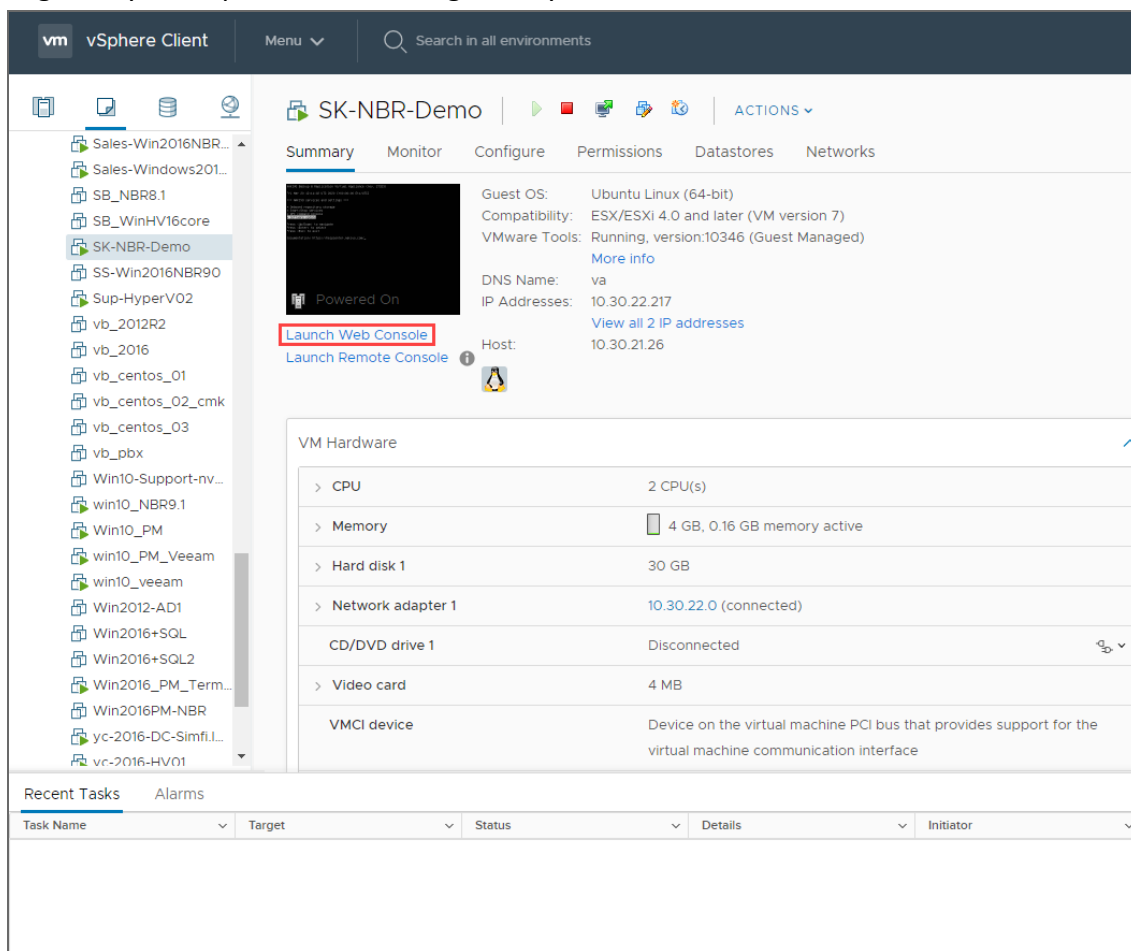
2. Download the latest *VA and Linux updater* from www.nakivo.com/resources/download/update/.

3. Change the directory to `/opt/nakivo/updates` and locate the updater.



4. Log out from the SSH client.

5. Log in to your vSphere client, navigate to your VA and click **Launch Web Console**.



6. Do one of the following depending on the NAKIVO Backup & Replication version you use:

- For the product Version 8.1 and above:

1. In the VA menu, select **Manage NAKIVO services** and press **Enter**.

```
NAKIVO Backup & Replication Virtual Appliance (rev. 27323)
Fri Mar 20 12:54:52 UTC 2020 [+00:00:00 Etc/UTC]
Installed components: Director, Transporter

To access the Web Interface, please open https://10.30.21.129:4443 in your web browser.
You can discover this Transporter in the Web Interface under Configuration > Transporters.

* Network settings
* Security settings
* Time and time zone
* System performance
* Manage NAKIVO services
* Exit to system console

Press <Up/Down> to navigate
Press <Enter> to select

Documentation: https://helpcenter.nakivo.com/
```

2. In the menu that opens, select **Software update** and press **Enter**.

```
NAKIVO Backup & Replication Virtual Appliance (rev. 27323)
Fri Mar 20 12:11:02 UTC 2020 [+00:00:00 Etc/UTC]
=== NAKIVO services and settings ===

* Onboard repository storage
* Start/Stop services
* APT command console
* Software update

Press <Up/Down> to navigate
Press <Enter> to select
Press <Esc> to exit

Documentation: https://helpcenter.nakivo.com/
```

3. Select the updater that you have downloaded and press **Enter**.

```
NAKIVO Backup & Replication Virtual Appliance (rev. 46186)
Tue Jan  5 12:01:40 UTC 2021 [+00:00:00 Etc/UTC]

=== Software update ===
Updates directory: /opt/nakivo/updates
Available updates:
* NAKIVO_Backup_&_Replication_v10.2.0.49807_Updater.sh

Press <Up/Down> to navigate
Press <F5> to refresh
Press <Enter> to select
Press <Del> to delete
Press <Esc> to exit

Documentation: https://helpcenter.nakivo.com/
```

4. Review the End User License Agreement. Press **Space** to go to the bottom of it. If you agree to the terms of the agreement, type **Y** and then press **Enter** to begin the update process.

```
machine, such as a Unix or Intel based server. A mainframe machine would be an individual mainframe
computer having single or multiple processors or engines.

"Enterprise" is the environment consisting of all hardware owned or leased by Customer in the Territ
ory.

b. LICENSE RESTRICTIONS. The following restrictions apply to certain Products. Each "NAKIVO Backup &
Replication" License is limited for use per CPU - Subcapacity or per Computer - Subcapacity.

c. UNITS OF MEASUREMENT. The following units of measurement apply to certain Products.

per CPU - Full Capacity: A license is required for the total number of active, physical CPUs in each
Computer upon which the Product is performing backup or replication tasks, either remotely or local
ly. "CPU" means a physical processor or central unit in a designated Computer containing the logic c
ircuitry that performs the instructions of a Computer's programs and refers to the "socket" which ca
n contain one or more processor cores.

per CPU - Subcapacity: A license is required for all active, physical CPUs upon which the Product is
performing backup or replication tasks, either remotely or locally. "CPU" means a physical processo
r or central unit in a designated Computer containing the logic circuitry that performs the instruct
ions of a Computer's programs and refers to the "socket" which can contain one or more processor cor
es.

per Computer - Full Capacity: A license is required for all active Computers (either virtual or phys
ical) upon which the Product is upon which the Product is performing backup or replication tasks, ei
ther remotely or locally.

per Computer - Subcapacity: A license is required for all active Computers upon which the Product is
performing backup or replication tasks, either remotely or locally.

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ENT IN WRITING. IF YOU ARE ACTING ON BEHALF OF AN ENTITY, YOU WARRANT THAT YOU HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO
ACCEPT THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT FOR SUCH ENTITY.
Type 'Y' to accept the license agreement and continue,
'N' to not accept the license,
'R' to review the license agreement.
Do you agree to the terms of this agreement [Y/N/R]? Y_
```

- For earlier product versions:
 1. In the VA menu, select **Software update** and press **Enter**.
 2. Select the updater that you have downloaded and press **Enter**.
 3. Review the End User License Agreement. Press **Space** to go to the bottom of it. If you agree to the terms of the agreement, type **Y** and then press **Enter** to begin the update process.

7. When the update process is complete, a message will appear to inform you about it. Exit the VA console.

8. Update all machines on which you have deployed an additional **Transporter**.

Note

Updating your VA with versions prior to the previous major version (for example, updating VA version 6.1 to version 9.0) is prohibited. Please update your VA to the next major version first.

Updating on Windows

If auto-update within the NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface is not supported, follow the steps below to update the product manually:

1. Download the latest Windows updater from www.nakivo.com/resources/download/update/.
2. Make sure that no jobs or repository maintenance tasks are running in the product.
If NAKIVO Backup & Replication is installed on a VM, create a snapshot of the VM before updating the product.
3. Run the updater on the machine on which the Director is installed, and also on all machines on which you have additionally deployed a **Transporter**.
4. Optionally, you can select the **Master password** checkbox and enter the password that will be used to generate a pre-shared key and secure the **Transporter**. This option is available only for the **Transporter**-only update.

Notes

- The master password must adhere to the following requirements:
 - Minimal length - 5 characters.
 - Maximum length - 50 characters.
- The master password can be set and re-set manually by running the command on the machine housing the **Transporter**. Follow these steps:
 - Enter the following command `bhsvc -b P@ssword123`
 - [Restart](#) the **Transporter** service.

5. Optionally, you can select the **Transporter certificate** checkbox. This allows you to use a CA Certificate. Enter the path to the folder containing the certificate file in the field.

Notes

- When the checkbox is not selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically installs a self-signed certificate.
- If the **Transporter Certificate** checkbox is not selected, a warning window appears prompting you to install it. Click **Continue** to proceed.

6. Click **Update**.
7. When the update is complete, click **Finish**.
8. If you have entered the new master password on step 4, do the following:
 - a. Go to **Settings > Transporters** and click on the **Transporter** you have changed the master password for.
 - b. Select **Edit**.

- c. Enter the new master password and click **Connect**.
- d. The **Certificate Acceptance** dialog box appears. Verify the certificate details, and click **Accept**.
- e. Click **Apply** to save the changes.
- f. Click on the same **Transporter** once again and select **Refresh** to refresh the **Transporter**.

Updating on Linux

If updating on a Linux OS within the NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface is not supported, follow the steps below to update the product manually:

1. Download the latest Linux/VA updater from www.nakivo.com/resources/download/update/.
2. Upload the updater to the machine on which the **Director** is installed.

Important

Make sure you are using the *binary transfer mode* when uploading the updater to the machine with a Linux OS. For example:

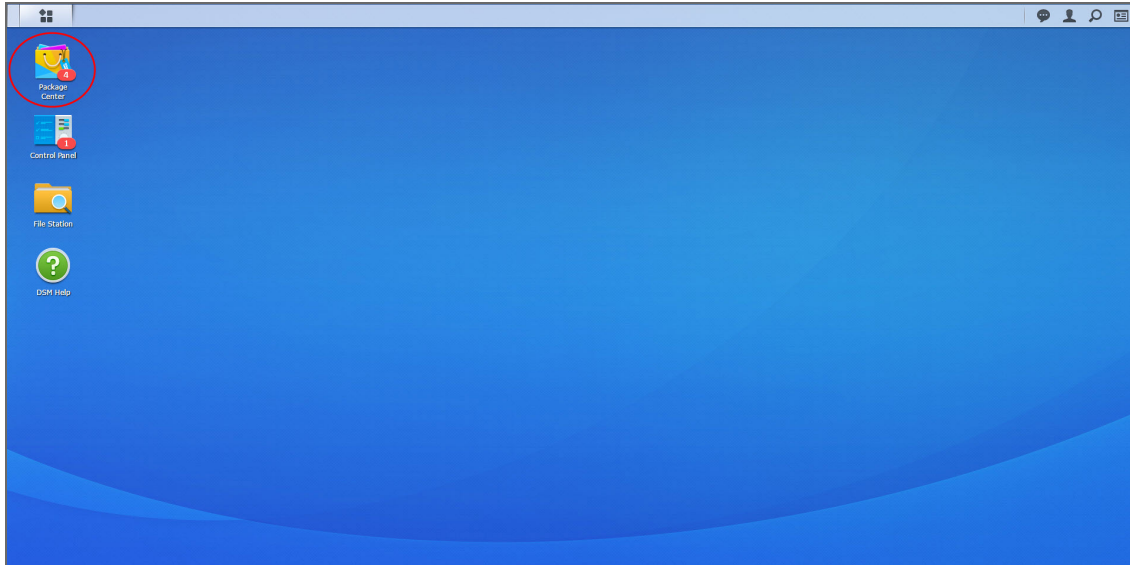
- [Upload the installer from a Windows-based machine](#)
 - Upload the product from a Linux-based machine: run the following command: `wget 'server_ip/shared/NAKIVO_Backup_Replication_vX.X.X_Updater.sh'`
3. Log in to the Linux machine and allow the execution of the updater file. For example: `chmod +x NAKIVO_Backup_Replication_vX.X.X_Updater.sh`
 4. Make sure that no jobs or repository maintenance tasks are running in the product.
If NAKIVO Backup & Replication is installed on a VM, create a snapshot of the VM prior to updating the product.
 5. Run the updater file with root privileges. For example: `sudo ./NAKIVO_Backup_Replication_vX.X.X_Updater.sh`
 6. Review the license agreement (press **Space** to go to the next page of the agreement). If you agree to the terms of the license agreement, press “Y” and then press **Enter**.
 7. Enter the “Y” key and then press **Enter** to confirm that you wish to stop the services and begin the update process.
 8. Update all machines on which you have additionally deployed a [“Transporter” on page 112](#).

Updating on Synology NAS

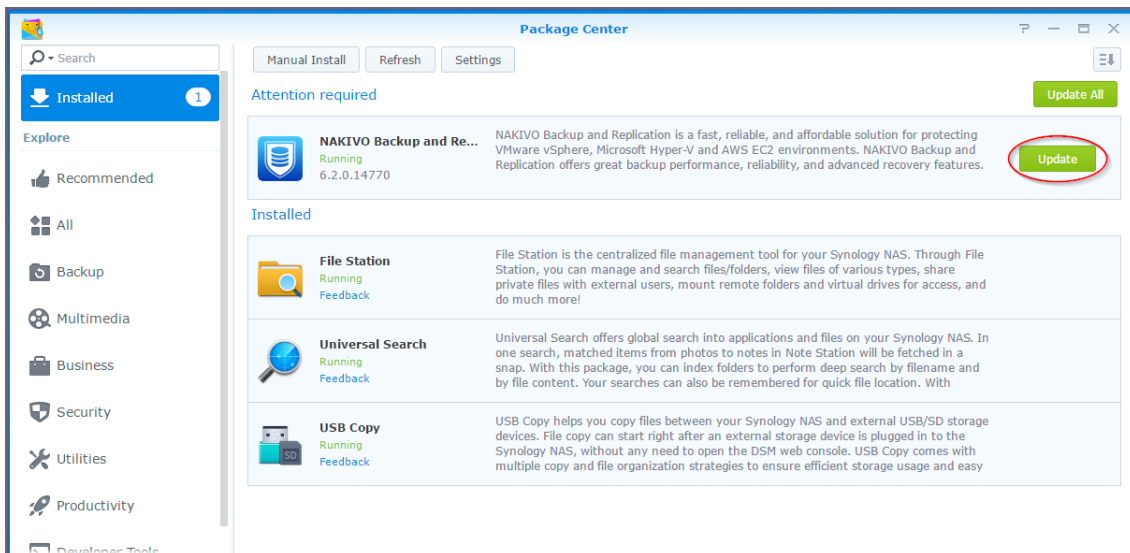
- [Updating via Synology Package Center](#)
- [Updating Manually](#)

Updating via Synology Package Center

1. Make sure that no jobs or repository maintenance tasks are running in the product.
2. In the Synology NAS management interface, open the **Package Center**.



3. Go to the **Installed** section.
4. If there is a new version of NAKIVO Backup & Replication available, you will see an **Update** button.



5. Click **Update**.

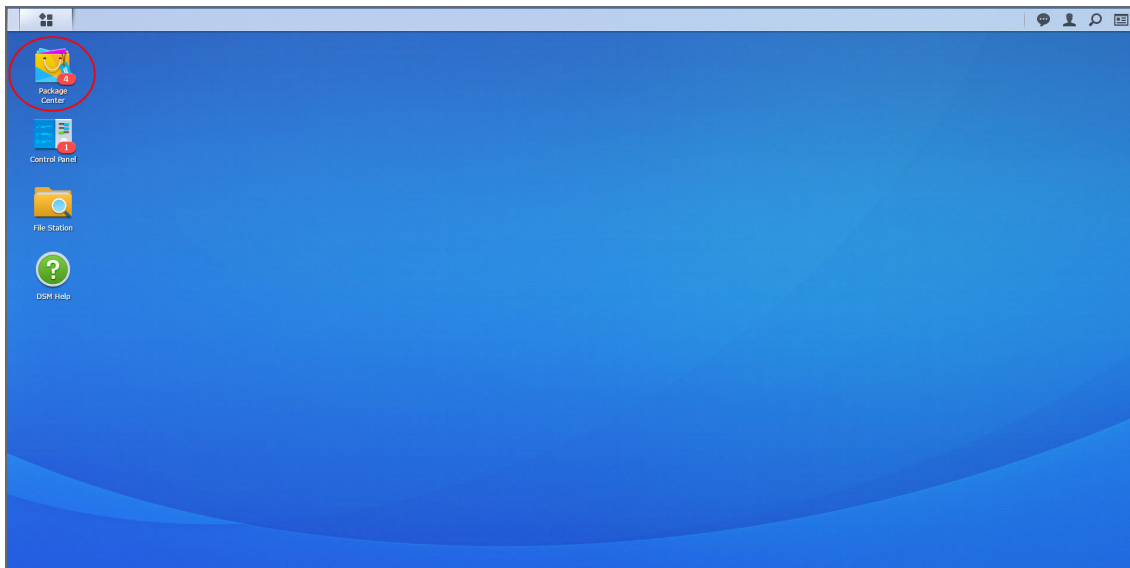
6. Wait until the update is complete.
7. Repeat these steps on all Synology NAS where you have also installed a **Transporter**.

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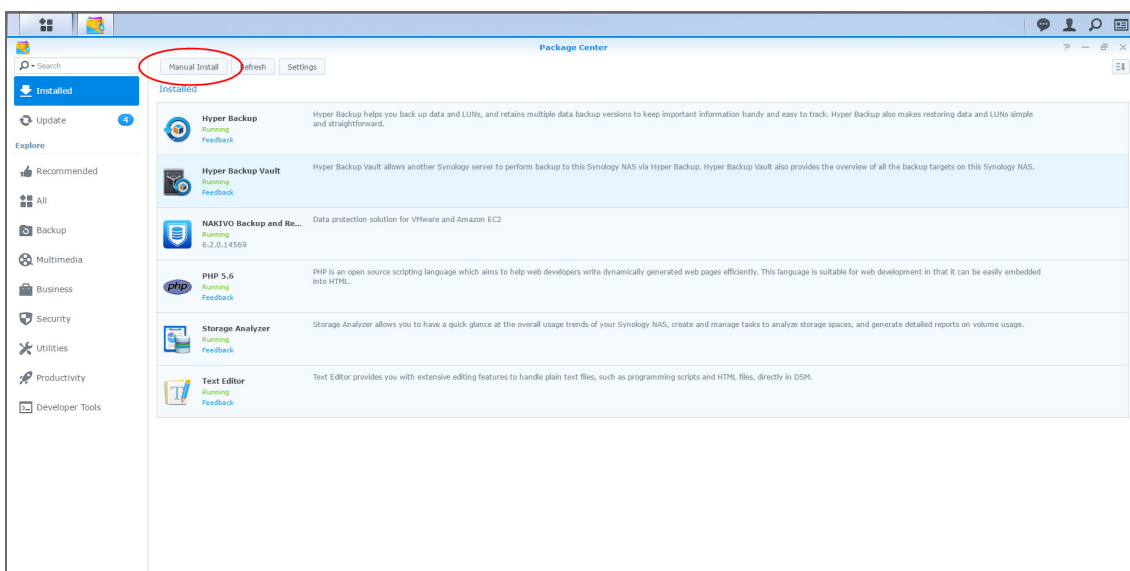
If the latest version of NAKIVO Backup & Replication is not available in the **Synology Package Center**, you may update manually by following the instructions in this [Knowledge Base](#) article.

Updating Manually

1. Download the latest Synology NAS updater from www.nakivo.com/resources/download/update/.
2. Make sure that no jobs or repository maintenance tasks are running in the product.
3. In the Synology NAS management interface, open the **Package Center**.



4. Click **Manual Install**.



5. Click **Browse**, navigate to the Synology NAS package that you have downloaded, select it, and click **Open**.
 6. Click **Next**. the package is uploaded to your NAS.
 7. Click **Apply**.
 8. Run an appropriate updater on all machines on which you have also installed a **Transporter**.
- Now, NAKIVO Backup & Replication has been updated.

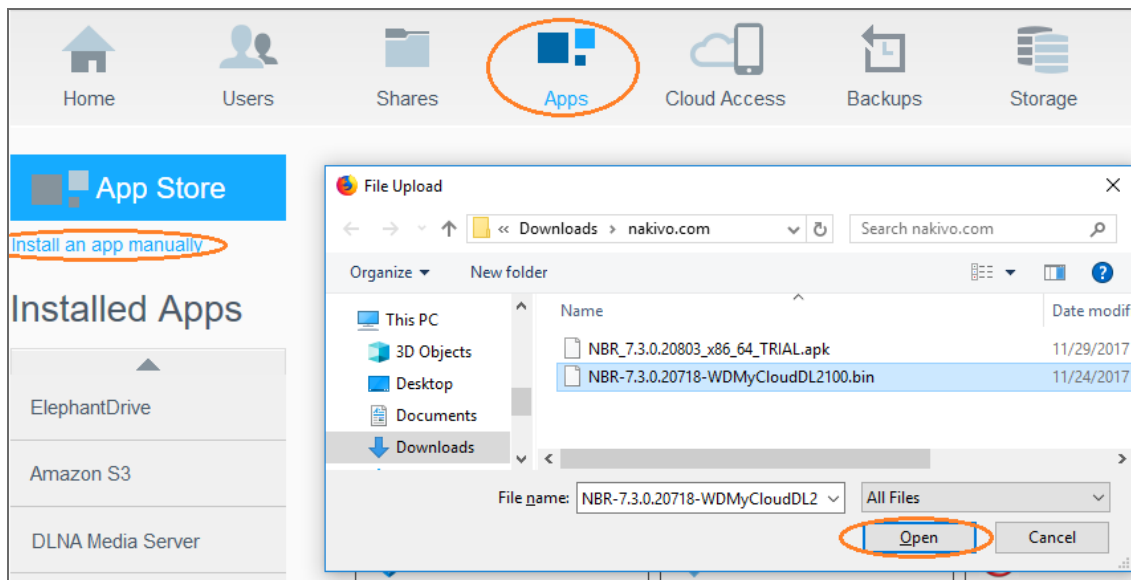
Updating on Western Digital NAS

Prior to updating NAKIVO Backup & Replication on Western Digital MyCloud NAS, make sure the following requirements have been met:

- You have access to the Western Digital NAS MyCloud Dashboard.
- NAKIVO Backup & Replication installer is available for your Western Digital NAS.

Please follow the steps below to update NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a Western Digital MyCloud NAS device:

1. Make sure that no jobs or repository maintenance tasks are running in the product.
2. In the **My Cloud** Dashboard, click **Apps**. The list of installed NAS applications opens on the left side of the page.
3. Above the list of NAS installed applications, click **Install an app manually**. The **File Upload** dialog opens.
4. In the **File Upload** dialog, navigate to your copy of the NAKIVO Backup & Replication installer for Western Digital NAS and click **Open**. The update progress bar opens.



5. Once the update has successfully finished, a dialog box opens with a message including said information. Click **OK** to close the dialog box.

Updating on Amazon EC2

The main installation of NAKIVO Backup & Replication (**Director** and **Transporter**) must be updated the way it is done on [Linux](#).

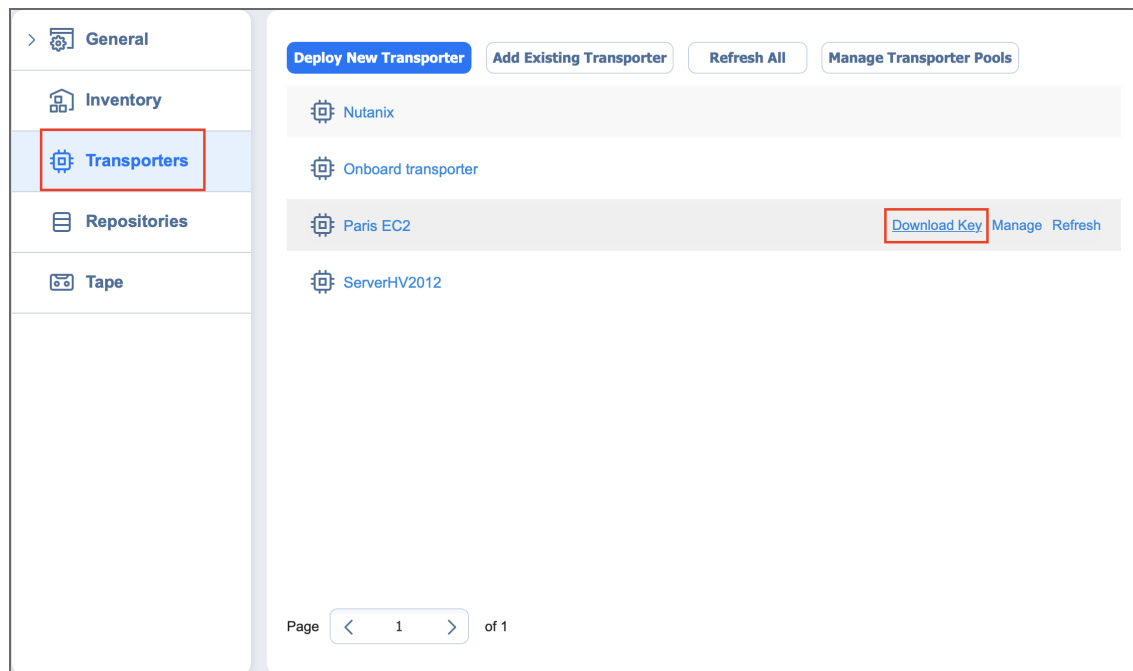
Notes

- You have to apply the **-e** argument for executing the installer, in order to avoid changing the Amazon EC2 **Transporter** with the regular Linux **Transporter**. Refer to “[Installing on Linux](#)” on [page 221](#) for a description of the available arguments.
- Only the main installation of NAKIVO Backup & Replication needs to be updated manually. **Transporters** installed on Amazon EC2 instances are updated automatically.

Connecting to an Amazon EC2 Instance from Windows

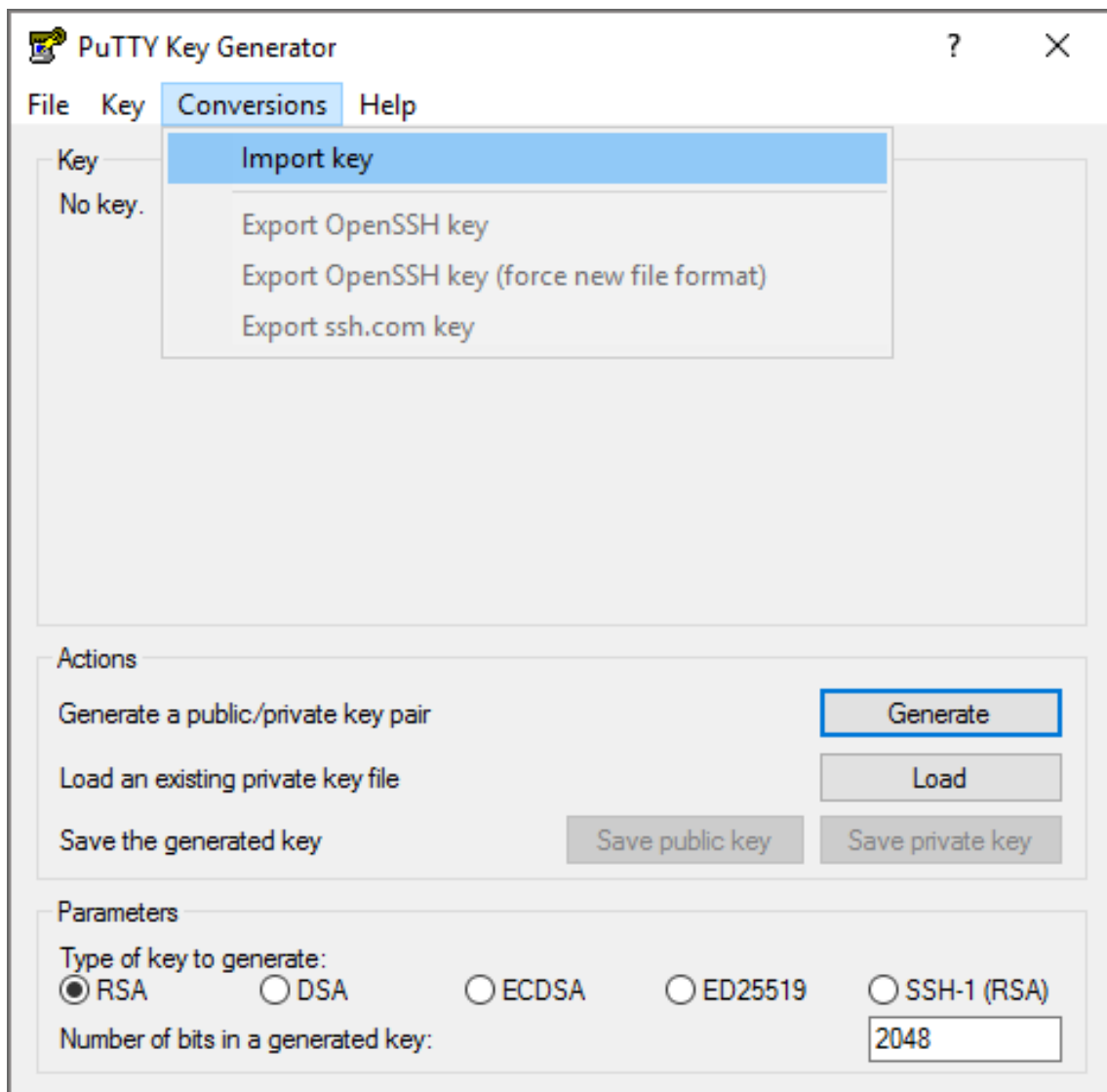
You can use the following free tools to connect to your Amazon EC2 instance:

- [WinSCP](#) to upload the installer file.
 - [PuTTYgen tool](#) to convert the private key.
 - [PuTTY tool](#) to connect to an Amazon instance securely.
1. Log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
 2. Go to **Settings > Transporters**.
 3. Download the keys of your Amazon instance.

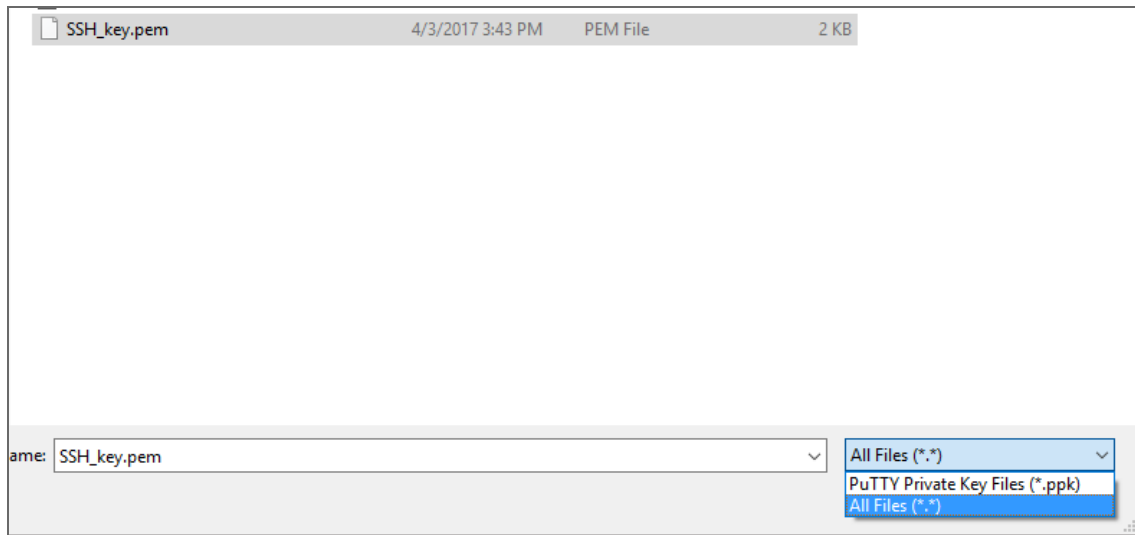


4. Click on the **Transporter** to view its details. Copy or remember the IP-address/hostname of the Amazon instance.
5. Unzip the folder with the key.
6. Convert the key using PuTTYgen:

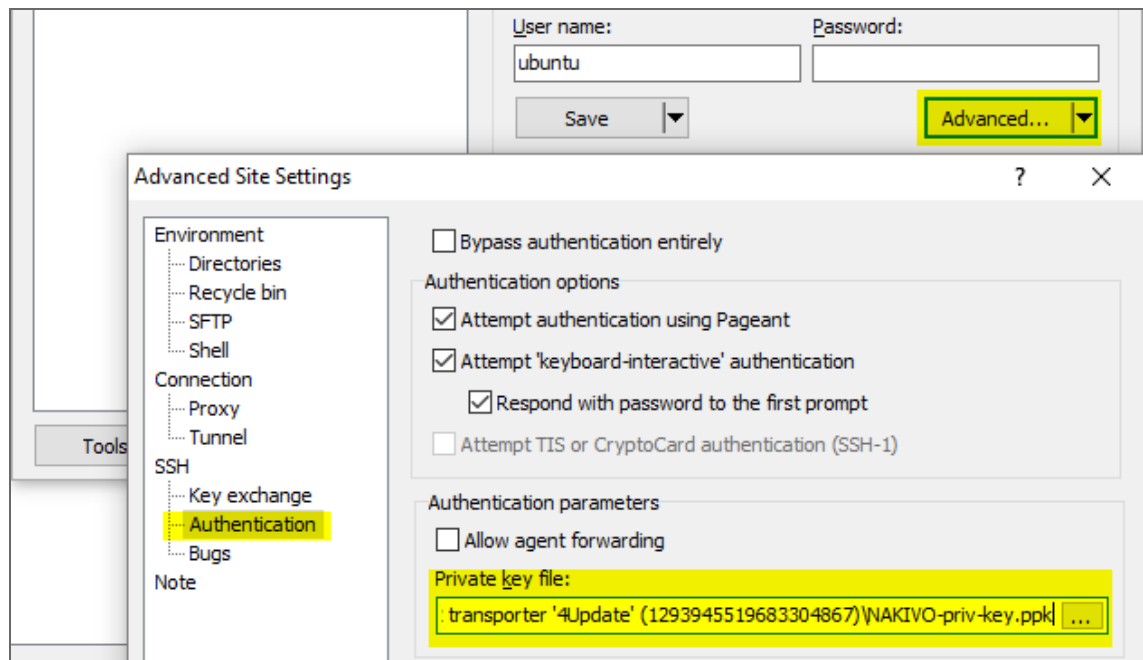
1. In PuTTYgen menu, go to *Conversions > Import*.



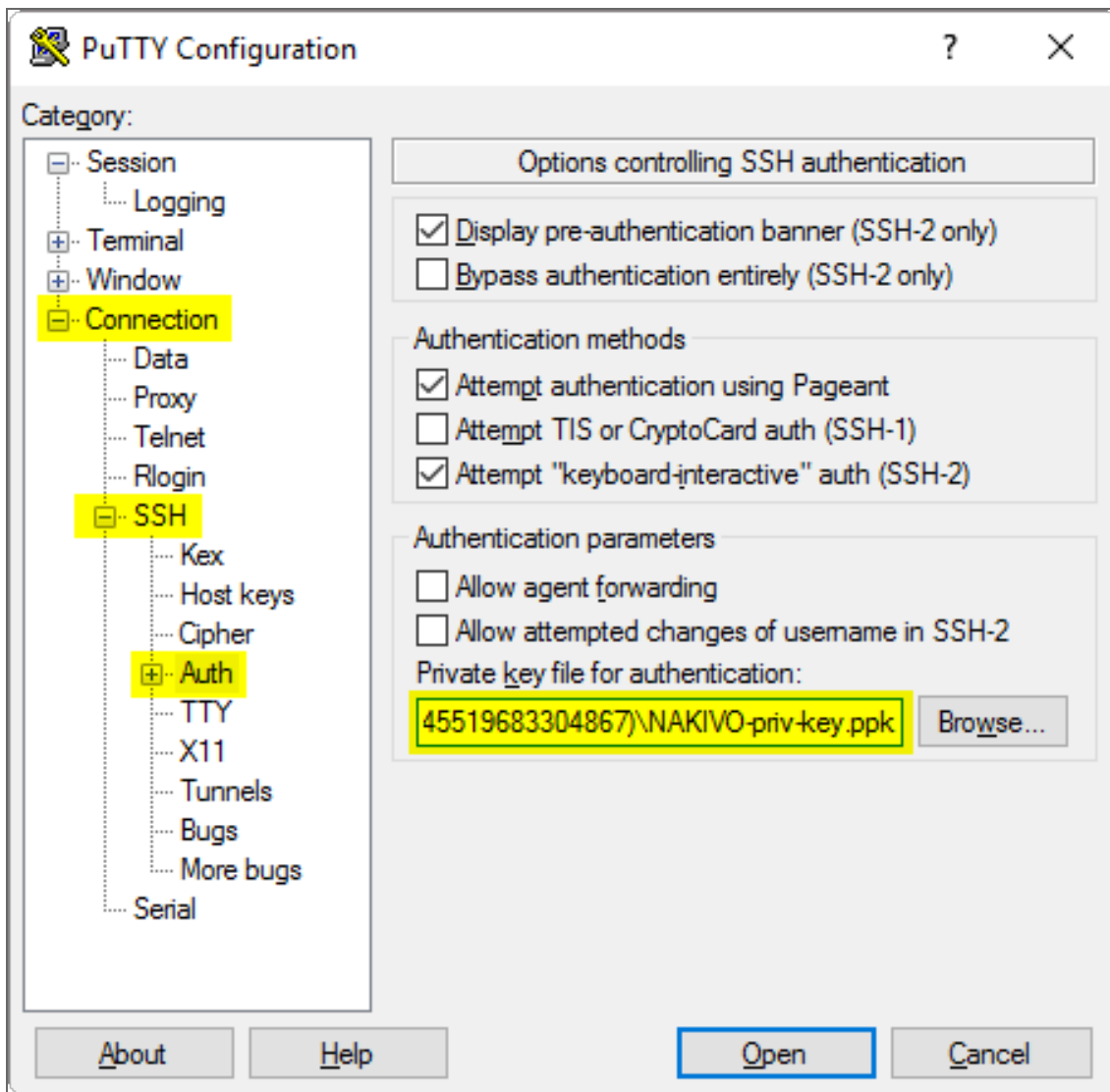
2. Locate the `SSH_key.pem` you just downloaded and unzipped. If you don't see it in the **Open...** dialogue box, change the file type to **All files**.



3. Click on **Save private key**. If PuTTYgen asks you to save the key without a passphrase, click **Yes**.
7. Open WinSCP.
8. Create a new session:
 - a. Add the hostname or IP address of your Amazon instance you received on step 4 into the **Host Name** box.
 - b. In the **Username** box, enter `nkvuser`.
 - c. Leave the **Password** box empty.
 - d. Add the private key to WinSCP:
 1. Click the **Advanced...** button.
 2. The **Advanced Site Settings** dialog box opens. Go to *SSH > Authentication > Private key file:* and select the key file you generated on step 6.



3. Click **OK**.
- e. Click **Login**.
- f. Upload the updater file.
- g. Open PuTTY.
- h. Enter the IP-address or hostname of the Amazon EC2 instance.
- i. Go to *Connection > SSH > Auth* and add the private key in *Private key file for authentication:* box.



- j. Click **Open**.
 - k. In the command line prompt that opens: log in to the Amazon EC2 instance:
 1. For **login**, enter `nkvuser`.
 2. For **password**, leave a blank line.
9. Update NAKIVO Backup & Replication following the [instructions](#).

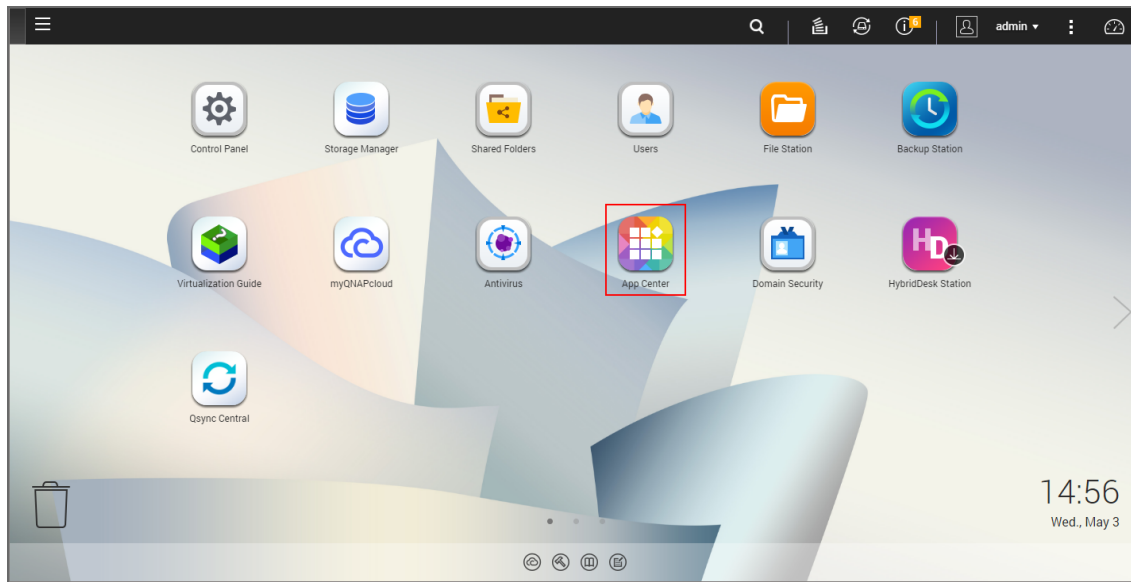
Updating on QNAP NAS

You can update NAKIVO Backup & Replication via QNAP AppCenter or manually. Refer to the following subtopics for details:

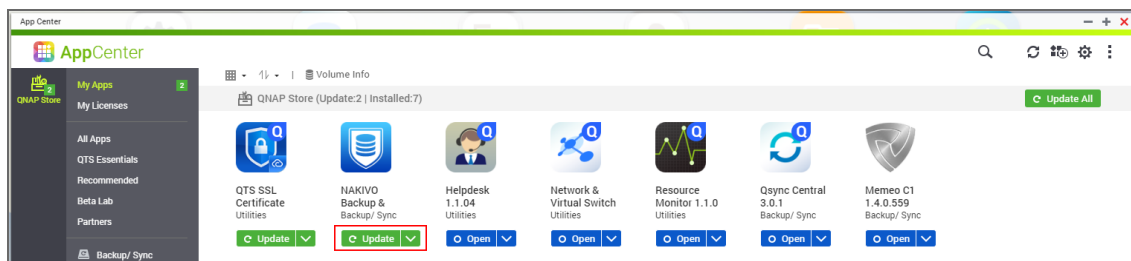
- [Updating via QNAP AppCenter](#)
- [Updating Manually](#)

Updating via QNAP AppCenter

1. Open the QNAP Desktop in your browser by entering the IP address of your QNAP NAS.



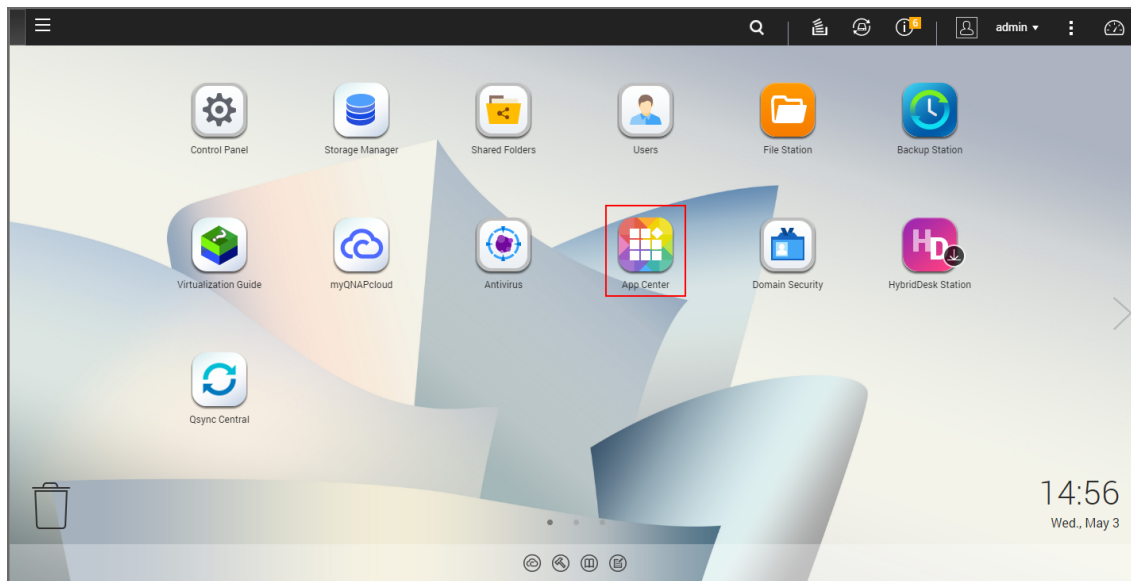
2. Make sure that no jobs or repository maintenance tasks are running in the product.
3. Go to **App Center**.
4. Select the *Backup/Sync* category and find NAKIVO Backup & Replication. Alternatively, use the search box at the top of the App Center window: click on the magnifier icon and enter "Nakivo".
5. If the new version of NAKIVO Backup & Replication is available in the QNAP App Center, you will see a green **Update** button.



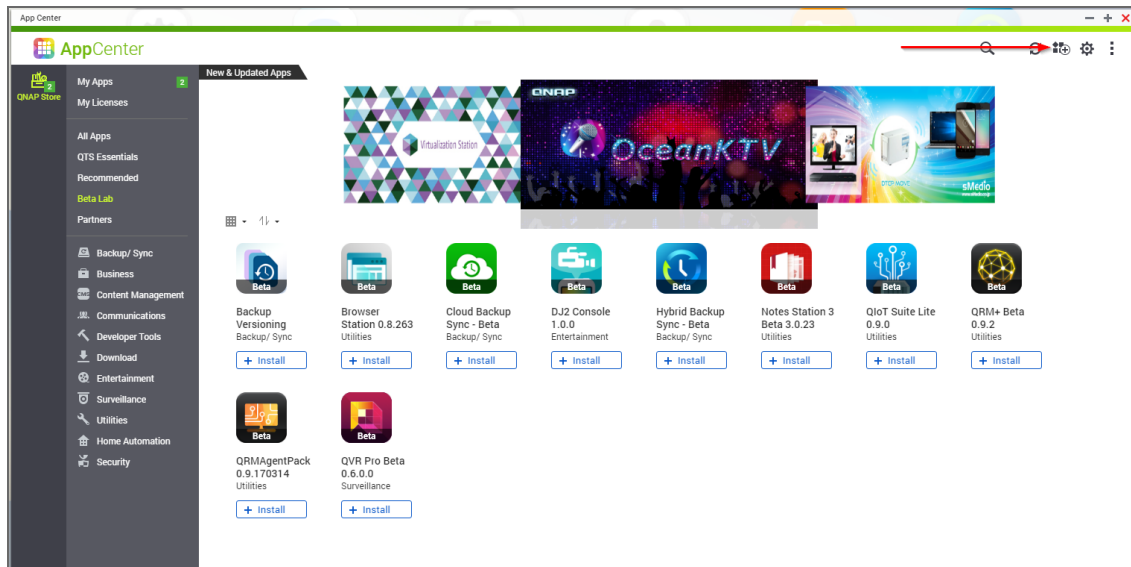
6. Click the **Update** button and wait till update finishes.

Updating Manually

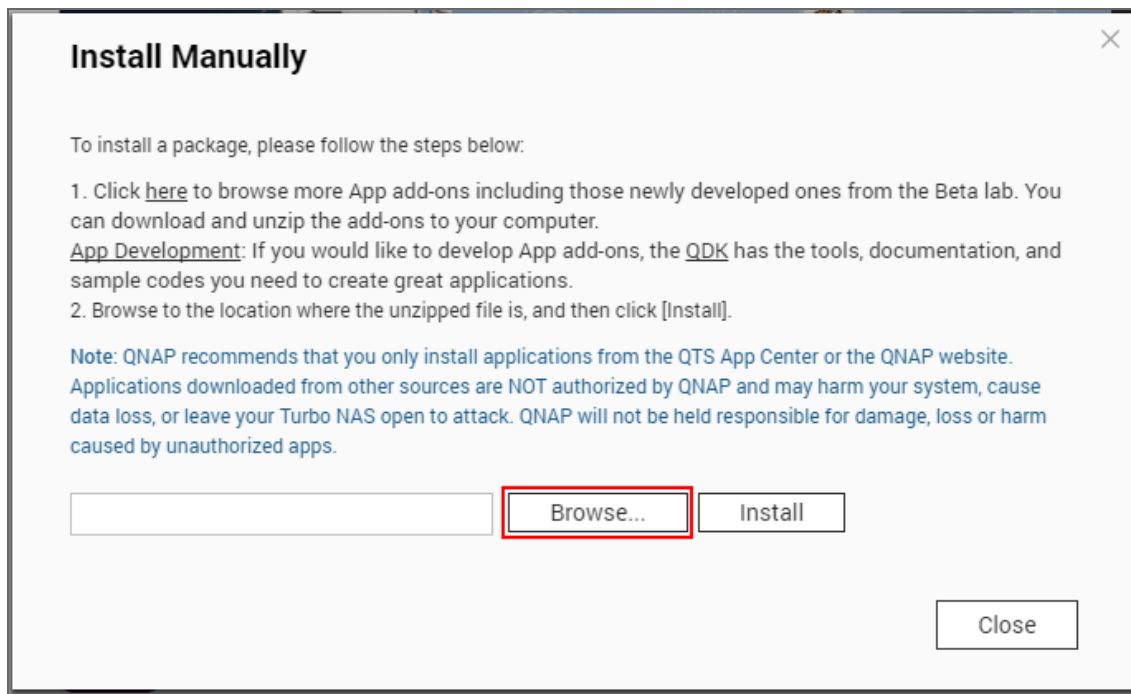
1. Download the update package from www.nakivo.com/resources/download/update/
2. Open the QNAP Desktop in your browser by entering the IP address of your QNAP NAS.



3. Go to **App Center**.
4. Click the **Install Manually** icon.



5. Click **Browse**. In the window appears, locate the installer (.appkg file) on your computer.



6. Click **Install**.
7. Wait until the update process is finished.

Updating on ASUSTOR NAS

- [Updating on ASUSTOR NAS Manually](#)
- [Updating on ASUSTOR NAS via App Central](#)

Updating on ASUSTOR NAS Manually

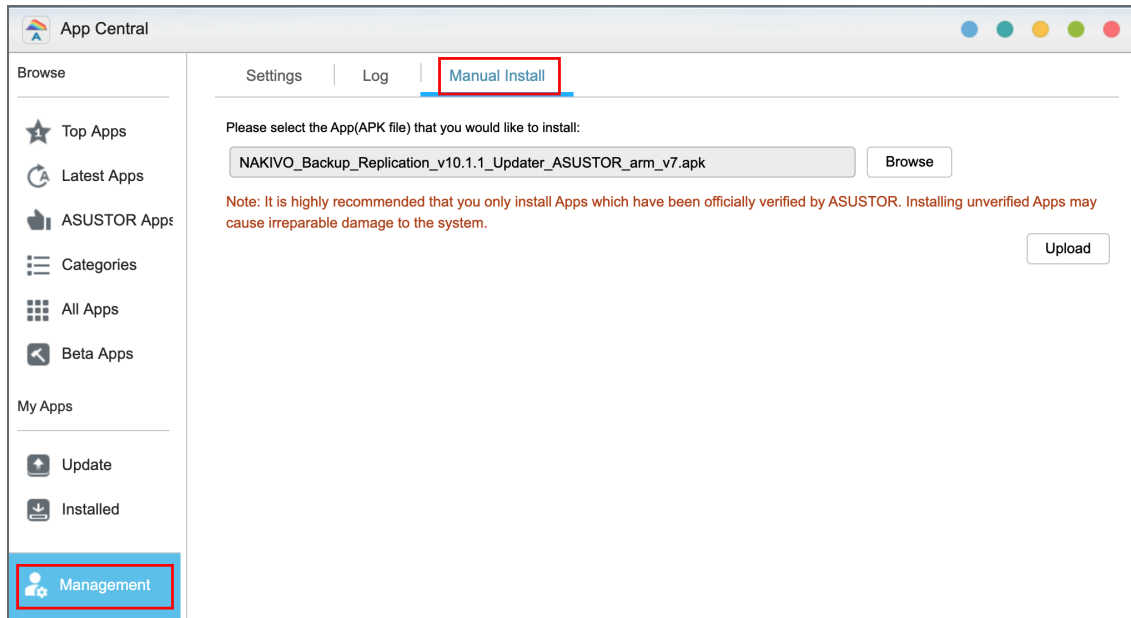
Prior to updating NAKIVO Backup & Replication on ASUSTOR NAS manually, make sure the following requirements are met:

- You have access to the ASUSTOR NAS.
- NAKIVO Backup & Replication installer is available for your ASUSTOR NAS.

Follow the steps below to update NAKIVO Backup & Replication on ASUSTOR NAS manually:

1. Make sure that no jobs or repository maintenance tasks are running in the product.
2. Open the **App Central** from the ASUSTOR NAS **Desktop**.
3. Click **Management** in the bottom left corner and click **Manual Install**.
4. The **Manual Install** pane opens to the right of the **App Central**. Click **Browse**.
5. The **Open** dialog box opens. Locate your copy of NAKIVO Backup & Replication installer for ASUSTOR NAS and click the **Open** button.
6. The **Open** dialog closes, and the **Upload** button becomes enabled. Click the **Upload** button.
7. When the upload finishes, the **About This App** dialog opens. If you are sure the requirements are met, click the **Next** button.
8. The **About This App** dialog opens a message asking you to review the summary of the NAKIVO Backup & Replication update. Select the checkbox **I understand the risks associated with installing unverified Apps** and click **Install**.
9. The **About This App** dialog closes, and the **Installed** pane of the **App Central** opens.

10. Wait until the update of NAKIVO Backup & Replication is complete.



Updating on ASUSTOR NAS via App Central

Follow the steps below to update NAKIVO Backup & Replication on ASUSTOR NAS via App Central:

1. Open the **App Central** from the ASUSTOR NAS **Desktop**.
2. In the **Browse** menu to the left, click **All Apps**. The list of applications available in **the App Central** opens in the right pane.
3. In the search box in the upper right corner of the pane, enter "Nakivo". Installations of the NAKIVO Backup & Replication application that are available at App Central are now displayed.
4. Click the **Update** button below the required NAKIVO Backup & Replication application to start uploading the update.
5. When the update is uploaded successfully, the **About This App** dialog opens. Click the **Update** button if you are sure that all the requirements are met.
6. The **About This App** dialog closes, and the **Installed** pane of the **App Central** opens. Wait until the update of the NAKIVO Backup & Replication is completed.

Updating on NETGEAR ReadyNAS

- [Updating on NETGEAR ReadyNAS Manually](#)
- [Updating on NETGEAR ReadyNAS via Available Apps](#)

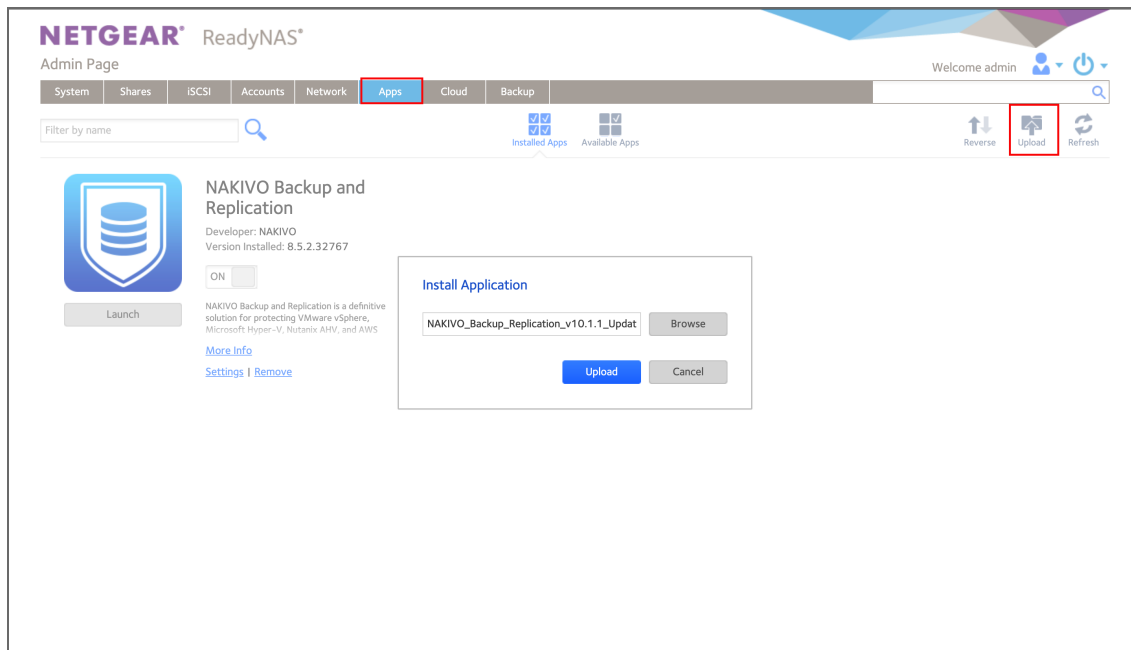
Updating on NETGEAR ReadyNAS Manually

Prior to updating NAKIVO Backup & Replication on NETGEAR ReadyNAS manually, make sure the following requirements have been met:

- You have access to the NETGEAR ReadyNAS.
- NAKIVO Backup & Replication update is available for your NETGEAR ReadyNAS.

Follow the steps below to update NAKIVO Backup & Replication on NETGEAR ReadyNAS manually:

1. Make sure that no jobs or repository maintenance tasks are running in the product.
2. Open the NETGEAR ReadyNAS **Admin Page** in your browser by entering the IP address of your NAS.
3. Go to **Apps** and click **Upload**.
4. The **Install Application** dialog box opens. Click **Browse**.
5. In the dialog box that opens, locate the downloaded installer (.deb file) and then click **Upload**.
6. Wait until the update is completed.



Updating on NETGEAR ReadyNAS via Available Apps

Prior to updating NAKIVO Backup & Replication on NETGEAR ReadyNAS via Available Apps, make sure that you have access to NETGEAR ReadyNAS.

Follow the steps below to update NAKIVO Backup & Replication on NETGEAR ReadyNAS via Available Apps:

1. Open the NETGEAR ReadyNAS **Admin Page** in your browser by entering the IP address of your NAS.
2. Go to **Apps > Available Apps**.
3. Find **NAKIVO Backup & Replication** in the list of available applications. Alternatively, enter NAKIVO to the filtering box in the upper left corner of the **Admin Page**.
4. If a new version of NAKIVO Backup & Replication is available in the NETGEAR **Available Apps**, the **Update** button will be available below the application item. Click the **Update** button.
5. Wait until the update is complete.

Updating on Generic ARM-Based Device

If [auto updating of NAKIVO Backup & Replication](#) is not supported, follow the steps below to update the product on a Generic ARM-based device manually:

1. Download the latest Generic ARM-based NAS updater from www.nakivo.com/resources/download/update/.
2. Upload the updater to the machine on which the **Director** is installed.

Important

Make sure you are using the *binary transfer mode* when uploading the updater to the machine with a Linux OS. For example:

- [Upload the installer from a Windows-based machine](#)
 - Upload the product from a Linux-based machine: run the following command: `wget 'server_ip/shared/NAKIVO_Backup_Replication_vX.X.X_Updater.sh'`
3. Log in to the Generic ARM-based NAS machine and allow the execution of the updater file. For example: `chmod +x NAKIVO_Backup_Replication_vX.X.X_Updater.sh`
 4. Make sure that no jobs or repository maintenance tasks are running in the product.
If NAKIVO Backup & Replication is installed on a VM, create a snapshot of the VM prior to updating the product.
 5. Execute the updater file with root privileges. For example: `sudo ./NAKIVO_Backup_Replication_vX.X.X_Updater.sh`
 6. Review the license agreement (press **Space** to go to the next page of the agreement). If you agree to the terms of the license agreement, press “Y” and then press **Enter**.
 7. Press the “Y” key and then press **Enter** to confirm that you wish to stop the services and begin the update process.
 8. Update all machines on which you have additionally deployed a [Transporter](#).

Updating on FreeNAS/TrueNAS

Prerequisites:

- You are logged in to the FreeNAS/TrueNAS system with the FreeNAS/TrueNAS GUI.
- The **Shell** button is enabled in the interface.

Follow the steps below to update NAKIVO Backup & Replication on your FreeNAS/TrueNAS system:

1. Make sure that no jobs or repository maintenance tasks are running in the product.
2. Navigate to the **Jails** page of the FreeNAS/TrueNAS GUI and click the jail of the NAKIVO Backup & Replication plugin to select it.
3. Click the **Shell** button to open a web shell.

4. In the web shell prompt, download the latest Virtual Appliance and Linux updater from the [NAKIVO Backup & Replication Update](#) page with the `curl` command. For example:

```
curl -O https://d96i82q710b04.cloudfront.net/res/product/NAKIVO_Backup_Replication_vX.X.X.XXXXX_Updater.sh
```

5. Change the updater file permission with the `chmod` command:

```
chmod +x NAKIVO_Backup_&_Replication_vX.X.X.XXXXX_Updater.sh
```

6. Run the updater in silent mode:

```
./NAKIVO_Backup_&_Replication_vX.X.X.XXXXX_Updater.sh -y -u --eula-accept
```

Uninstalling NAKIVO Backup & Replication

- [Uninstalling on Windows](#)
- [Uninstalling on Linux or Generic ARM-based NAS](#)
 - [Uninstalling Director and Onboard transporter on Linux or Generic ARM-Based NAS](#)
 - [Uninstalling Transporter on Linux or Generic ARM-Based NAS](#)
- [Uninstalling on Synology NAS](#)
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- [Uninstalling on QNAP NAS](#)
- [Uninstalling on ASUSTOR NAS](#)
- [Uninstalling NETGEAR ReadyNAS](#)
- [Terminating on Amazon EC2](#)
- [Uninstalling on FreeNAS](#)

Uninstalling on Windows

To uninstall NAKIVO Backup & Replication, run the uninstaller:

1. Go to **Start** -> **Control Panel** and run **Programs and Features**.
2. Select **NAKIVO Backup & Replication** and click **Uninstall**.
3. In the **NAKIVO Backup & Replication Uninstallation** wizard, click **Uninstall**.
4. Click **Close** when the uninstallation process is completed.

Uninstalling on Linux or Generic ARM-based NAS

Refer to the sections below to learn how to uninstall NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a Linux OS or a generic ARM-based NAS.

Uninstalling Director and Onboard Transporter on Linux or Generic ARM-based NAS

To uninstall the **Director** and Onboard **Transporter**, which is installed with the **Director** by default, follow the steps below:

1. Run the "uninstall" script which is located in the **Director** folder inside the product installation folder. If the product is installed in the default location, run: `/opt/nakivo/director/uninstall`
2. Enter "U" and then press **Enter** to confirm uninstalling the application.

Uninstalling Transporter on Linux or Generic ARM-based NAS

To uninstall the Transporter, follow the steps below:

1. Run the "uninstall" script which is located in the transporter folder inside the product installation folder. If the product is installed in the default location, run: /opt/nakivo/transporter/uninstall
2. Enter "U" and then press **Enter** to confirm uninstalling the application.

Uninstalling on Synology NAS

Follow the steps below to uninstall NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a Synology NAS:

1. In the Synology NAS management interface, open the **Package Center**.
2. Click NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
3. Choose **Uninstall** from the **Actions** list.
4. Click **OK** in the message box that opens to confirm that you wish to uninstall the application.

When the uninstallation process is completed, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will be removed from the list of installed applications.

Uninstalling on Western Digital NAS

Follow the steps below to uninstall NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a Western Digital NAS:

1. Open the NAS My Cloud Dashboard and click **Apps**.
2. In the **Installed Apps** list, select NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
3. The NAKIVO Backup & Replication item opens to the right of the installed applications list. Click the **Uninstall** button.
4. The **Uninstall NAKIVO Backup and Replication** dialog opens. Click **OK** to confirm that you wish to uninstall the application and delete all application data and settings.
5. The **Updating** progress bar opens. Wait until the uninstallation completes.

When the uninstallation process is completed, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will be removed from the list of installed applications.

Uninstalling on QNAP NAS

Follow the steps below to uninstall NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a QNAP NAS:

1. Open the QNAP NAS Desktop and click **App Center**.
2. The **App Center** dialog opens. In the **My Apps** list, locate the NAKIVO Backup & Replication application and open the list of applicable actions by clicking the drop-down button.
3. In the list of applicable actions, click **Remove**.
4. In the dialog that opens, click **OK** to confirm removing the application and application-relevant user data.
5. Wait until the uninstallation is complete.

When the uninstallation process is completed, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will be removed from the list of installed applications.

Uninstalling on ASUSTOR NAS

Follow the steps below to uninstall NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a QNAP NAS:

1. Open the ASUSTOR NAS Desktop and click **App Central**.
2. In the list of installed applications, locate NAKIVO Backup & Replication, select it and then click the **Remove** button.
3. In the dialog that opens, click **OK** to confirm that you wish to remove the application.
4. The **Removing** progress bar opens. Wait until the uninstallation is completed.

When the uninstallation process is completed, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will be removed from the list of installed applications.

Uninstalling on NETGEAR ReadyNAS

Follow the steps below to uninstall NAKIVO Backup & Replication on NETGEAR ReadyNAS:

1. Open the NETGEAR ReadyNAS **Admin Page** and go to **Apps > Installed Apps**.
2. Locate **NAKIVO Backup & Replication** in the list of available applications. Alternatively, enter NAKIVO to the filtering box in the upper left corner of the **Admin Page**.
3. Click the **Remove** button below the application item.
4. The **Confirm Deletion** dialog box opens. Click **Yes** to confirm that you wish to uninstall NAKIVO Backup & Replication on NETGEAR ReadyNAS.
5. Wait until the uninstallation is completed.

When the uninstallation process is completed, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will be removed from the list of installed applications.

Terminating on Amazon EC2

Follow the steps below to terminate NAKIVO Backup & Replication that is launched as an Amazon EC2 instance:

1. Open AWS Management Console and go to **EC2 Dashboard**.
2. In the **Instances** menu, click **Instances**.
3. In the list of instances, locate the necessary NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance and select it.
4. In the **Actions** menu, go to **Instance State** and click **Terminate**.
5. In the **Terminate Instances** dialog, click **Yes, Terminate** to confirm that you wish to terminate your instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
6. Wait until the instance is terminated.

In about 60 minutes, the terminated NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance will be removed from the list of Amazon EC2 instances.

Uninstalling on FreeNAS

Uninstalling a plugin deletes the associated FreeNAS jail because it is no longer required. Before uninstalling NAKIVO Backup & Replication, make sure that there is no data or configuration in the jail that needs to be saved.

Follow the steps below to uninstall NAKIVO Backup & Replication on a FreeNAS:

1. Log in to the FreeNAS system using the FreeNAS GUI.
2. In the left pane of the FreeNAS GUI, click **Plugins -> Installed**.
3. A list of installed plugins opens. For the desired NAKIVO plugin, click the **Options** button and then **Delete**.
4. The **Delete** dialog opens asking to confirm the operation. Click **Delete**.

When the uninstall process is completed, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will be removed from the list of installed plugins.

Getting Started

When deployed, NAKIVO Backup & Replication is ready for use. The topics below will provide you with information on how to start working with the application.

- [“Logging in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication” on page 289](#)
- [“First Steps with NAKIVO Backup & Replication” on page 296](#)
- [“Web Interface Components” on page 299](#)
- [“Managing Jobs and Activities” on page 308](#)

Logging in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication

- [Getting to the Login Page](#)
- [Creating a User Account](#)
- [Changing Password](#)
- [Default Password in Amazon EC2](#)
- [Passing Verification](#)

Getting to the Login Page

To go to the NAKIVO Backup & Replication login page, open the following URL in your web browser: `https://machine_IP_or_DNS:4443`.

Note

If you selected a custom HTTPS port during installation, replace `4443` with the custom value.

Creating a User Account

When you open the NAKIVO Backup & Replication login page for the first time, you are prompted to create a new user account. This user account is the admin account to be used to access your instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication. Fill out the fields in the form:

1. **Name:** Provide your real name.
2. **Username:** Enter an admin username to log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
3. **Email:** Provide an email.
4. **Password:** Enter a password.
5. Optionally, you can select **Remember me** to save your credentials.
6. Click **CREATE ACCOUNT**.

Note

If NAKIVO Backup & Replication is deployed in an Amazon EC2 instance, you will first be prompted to enter the Amazon EC2 instance ID.

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Remember me

CREATE ACCOUNT

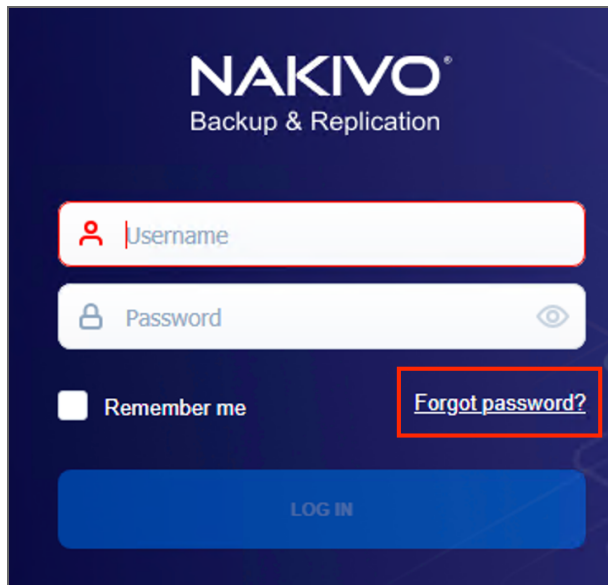
NAKIVO Backup & Replication opens in your browser displaying the configuration wizard. Refer to [First Steps with NAKIVO Backup & Replication](#) to learn how to start using NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

To log out, click **Logout** in the bottom left corner.

Changing Password

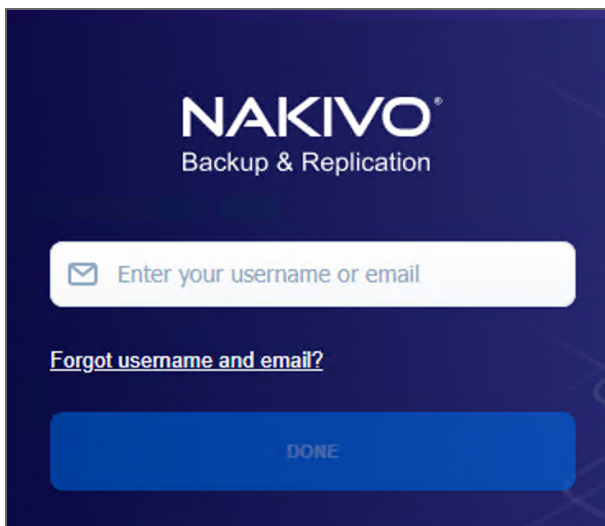
If you forget the password used to log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can restore it by following the steps below:

1. Go to NAKIVO Backup & Replication login page.
2. Click the **Forgot password** link.



3. Do one of the following:

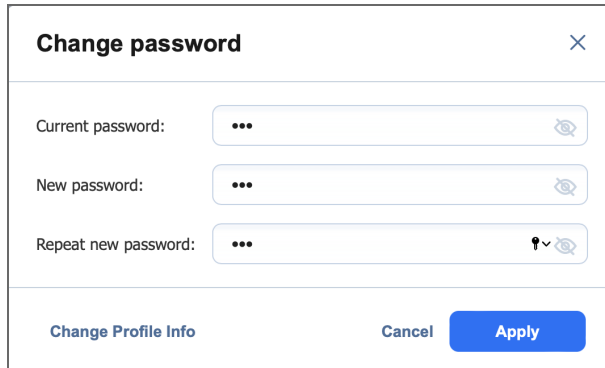
- If you have set up [email settings](#) in NAKIVO Backup & Replication, enter your email address and click **Done**.



A temporary password, which is a security string, is sent to your inbox. Enter this password the next time you log in to your NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance. Once you are logged in, it's recommended that you change the temporary password for your user account. To change the temporary password:

- a. Click **Logout** in the bottom left corner.
- b. Select **Profile**.
- c. Click **Change password**.
- d. In the dialog box that opens, fill out the following fields:
 - **Current password**: Enter the temporary password that you received to your inbox.
 - **New password**: Enter a new password.

- **Repeat new password:** Enter the new password again.
- e. Click **Change**.



The screenshot shows a 'Change password' dialog box with the following elements:

- Title bar: 'Change password' and a close button (X).
- Form fields:
 - 'Current password:' with a text input field containing three dots and a password strength icon.
 - 'New password:' with a text input field containing three dots and a password strength icon.
 - 'Repeat new password:' with a text input field containing three dots, a dropdown arrow, and a password strength icon.
- Buttons at the bottom: 'Change Profile Info', 'Cancel', and 'Apply'.

You can also change your temporary password in **Settings>General>Users and Roles**

- If you have not set up email settings in NAKIVO Backup & Replication:
 - a. Enter your username and click **Done**.
 - b. Go to the product installation folder and locate the "forgot_password.txt" file.

Important
For security reasons, only a root user (Linux) or a member of the Administrators group (Windows) is allowed to access the installation folder and the "forgot_password.txt" file.

- c. Paste the security string from the file in the appropriate field.
- d. Click **Done**.

Notes

- If you are using a Virtual Appliance (VA), go to the VA console, then go to the command line and enter: `cat /opt/nakivo/director/forgot_password.txt` The security string will be displayed on the screen. You can copy and paste it into the web interface.
- If you are using a NAS, open an SSH connection to your device and read the `forgot_password.txt` file in the following folders:
 - For ASUSTOR NAS: `/usr/local/AppCentral/NBR`
 - For NETGEAR NAS: `/apps/nbr`
 - For QNAP NAS: `/share/CACHEDEV1_DATA/.qpkg/NBR`
 - For Raspberry PI: `/opt/nakivo/director`
 - For Synology NAS: `/volume1/@appstore/NBR`
 - For Western Digital NAS: `/mnt/HD/HD_a2/Nas_Prog/NBR`
- To learn how to open an SSH connection to your NAS device and read text files, refer to the NAS vendor documentation.

Default Password in Amazon EC2

If you have deployed NAKIVO Backup & Replication as an Amazon machine image in Amazon EC2, use the following default credentials to log in:

- **Username:** admin
- **Password:** The password is the ID of the NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance in Amazon EC2.

Passing Verification

If two-factor authentication was configured, verification needs to be passed after entering the credentials to access your NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance. This can be done in one of the following ways:

- Google Authenticator code from the mobile app
- A code sent to the specified email address
- One of the single-use backup codes

If Two-factor authentication was enabled but never configured, it must be configured now. Do the following:

1. Click **Continue**.
2. Optionally, click on the **change your email** link to enter the new email address for the user. Select **Continue** to proceed.
3. Enter the verification code that was sent to the specified email and click **Continue**. Optionally, click **Resend email** in case you did not receive it.

4. Optionally, enter the alternative email address that can be used in case the primary one becomes unavailable, and select **Continue**. Alternatively, select **Skip this step**.
5. If you have entered the alternative email address for the previous step, enter the verification code that was sent to the specified email, and click **Continue**. Optionally, click **Resend email** in case you did not receive it.
6. Follow instructions on screen to download and install Google Authenticator, and click **Continue**.
7. Add your NAKIVO Backup & Replication user account to Google Authenticator. Use one of the following methods:
 - Select **Scan QR Code** option and scan the QR code in the popup window.
 - Select **Enter a Code** option and follow the instructions to enter the shown code into the Google Authenticator app.
8. Enter the 6-digit verification code from Google Authenticator into the field. Note that the verification code is time-based. Click **Continue** to proceed.
9. A pairing key is displayed which can be used to add multiple devices to your account.

Important

It is highly recommended that you save the pairing key or write it down.

You have the following options:

- Optionally, click on the **Copy the key** link to copy your key and save it for future use.
 - Optionally, click on the **Download pairing information** link to download and save instructions on how to use the pairing key.
 - Click **Continue** when you're done.
10. Four backup codes are displayed on the next page. These one-time codes can be used to log in when you are unable to provide a verification code. Click on the **Save as PDF** link to download and save these codes in PDF format or write them down. Click **Continue**.
 11. Enter one of the backup codes in the next popup window to confirm that you have saved them, and click **Finish**.

Google Authenticator Verification

If you have selected the **Google Authenticator** verification method on the [Managing Two-Factor Authentication](#) page, do one of the following:

- Enter the verification code from Google Authenticator into the field, and click **Proceed**.
- Enter one of the one-time backup codes.
- Click **More verification options** to use email verification.

Email Verification

If you have selected the **Email** verification method on the [Managing Two-Factor Authentication](#) page, do one of the following:

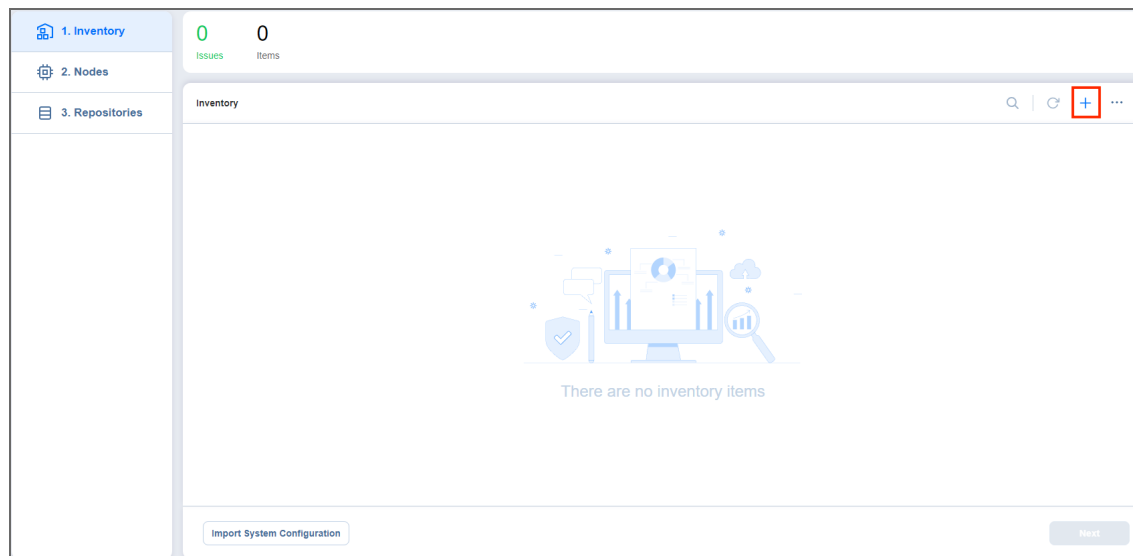
- Select one of the email addresses verified previously, and click **SEND VERIFICATION CODE**. Then click **OK**.
- Enter one of the one-time backup codes.
- Alternatively, click **More verification options** to choose a different email for verification.

First Steps with NAKIVO Backup & Replication

When you log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication for the first time, the initial configuration wizard opens.

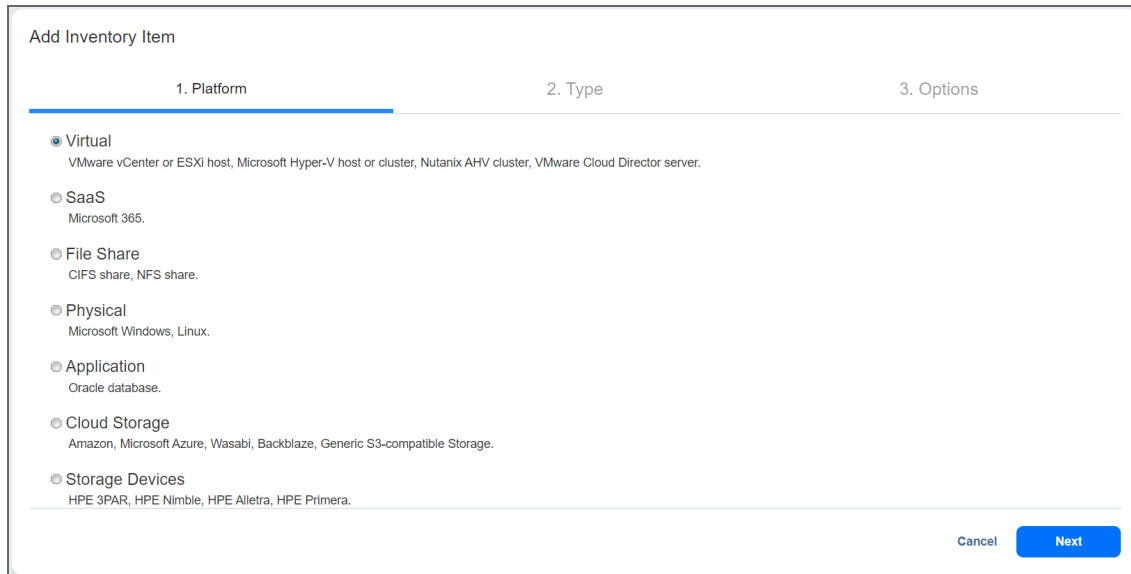
Proceed as follows:

1. On the **Inventory** page of the wizard, click **Add New**.

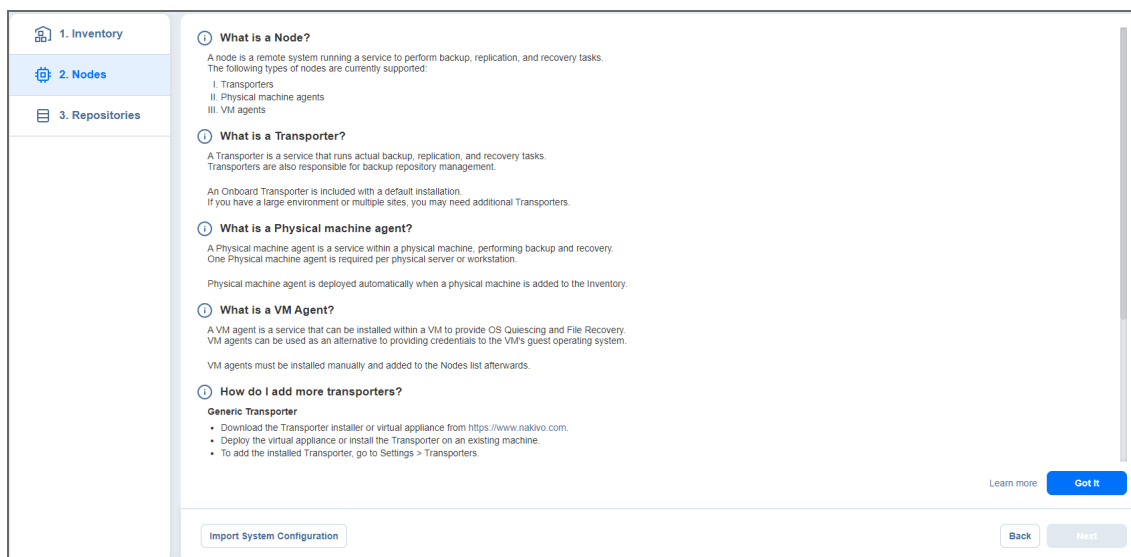


2. Select one of the given options:

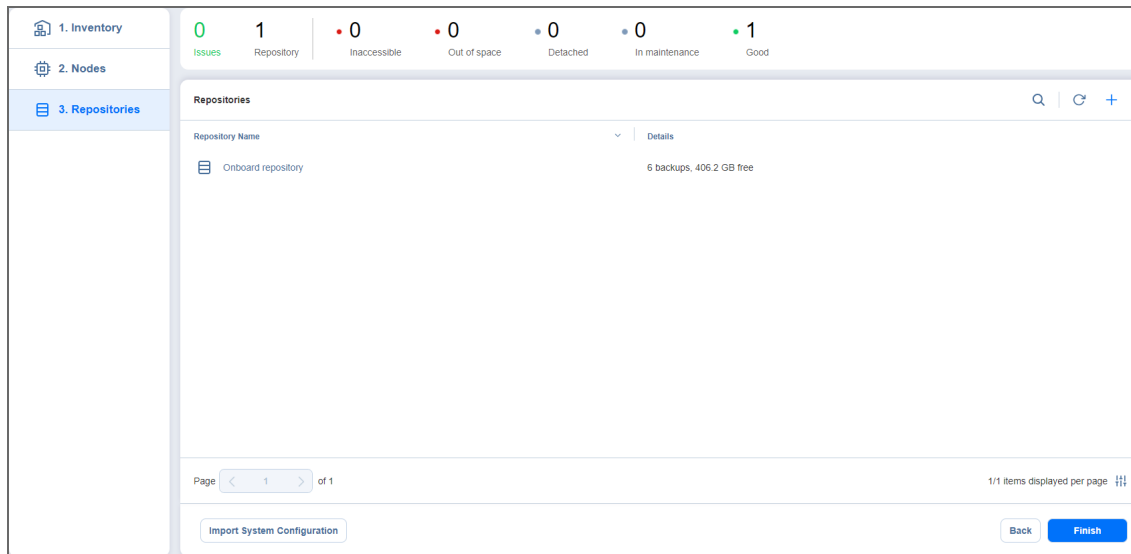
- Virtual
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- Storage Devices



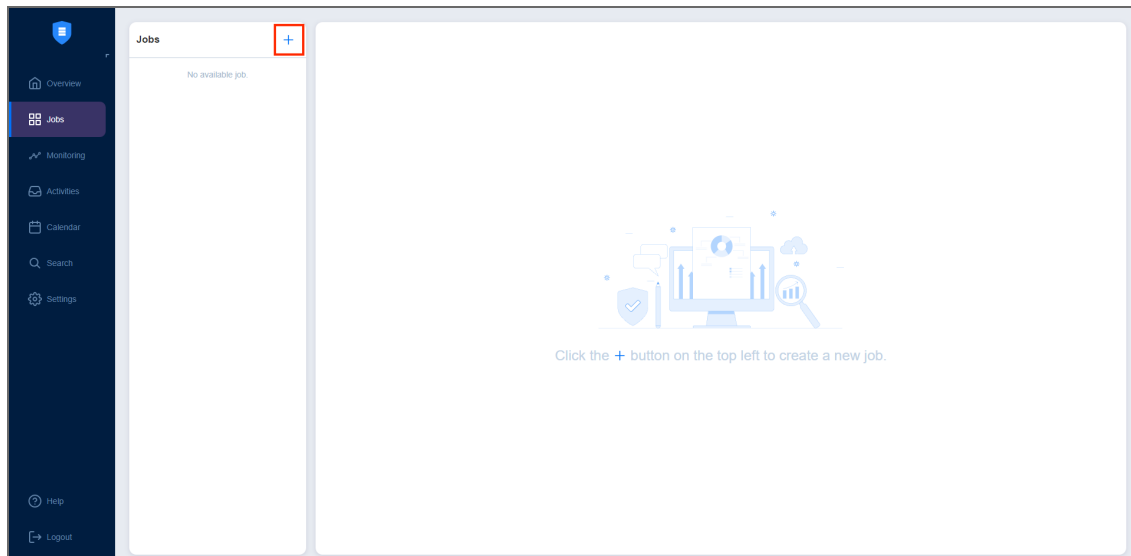
3. Proceed with adding items as described in the [Inventory](#) article.
4. On the **Nodes** page of the wizard, you will find information about the **Transporter** component of the NAKIVO Backup & Replication.



5. To **deploy** a new **Transporter** or **add** an existing one, click **Got it** and proceed as described in the [Transporters](#) article.
6. To move to the next page of the wizard, click **Next**.
7. On the **Repositories** page of the wizard, you can add a local or a remote **Backup Repository** to your application by clicking **Add Backup Repository**.



8. Click **Finish**.
9. The **Jobs** menu of the application opens. Proceed by creating [backup](#) and replication jobs.



If your current license type is **Free** and the **Trial** license has not yet been applied to the current deployment of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, a dialog box appears. Using this dialog box, you can contact the sales team to change your license type or try the full functionality of the solution for 15 days. If you do not want to upgrade your license type right away, you can do it at any time in the [Help](#) menu.

Note

If you switch the license type to **Trial**, the product will automatically go back to using your **Free** license after expiration.

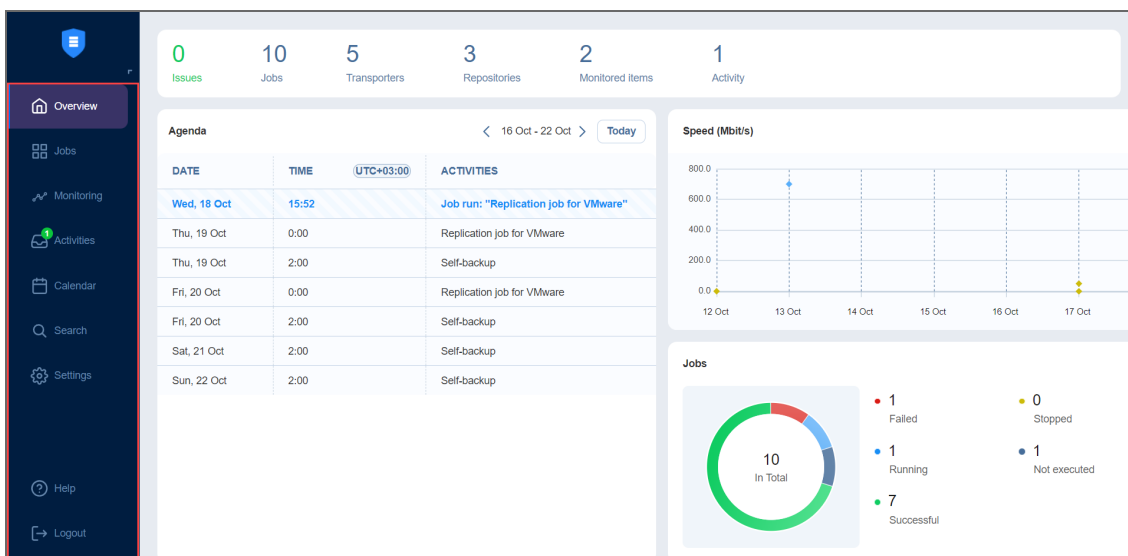
Web Interface Components

The interface of NAKIVO Backup & Replication consists of the following components:

- [Main Menu](#)
- [Overview](#)
- [Jobs](#)
- [Monitoring](#)
- [Activities](#)
- [Calendar](#)
- [Search](#)
- [Settings](#)
- [Help Menu](#)
- [Online Chat Dialog](#)
- [Special Offers Toolbar](#)
- [Tenants Dashboard](#)

Main Menu

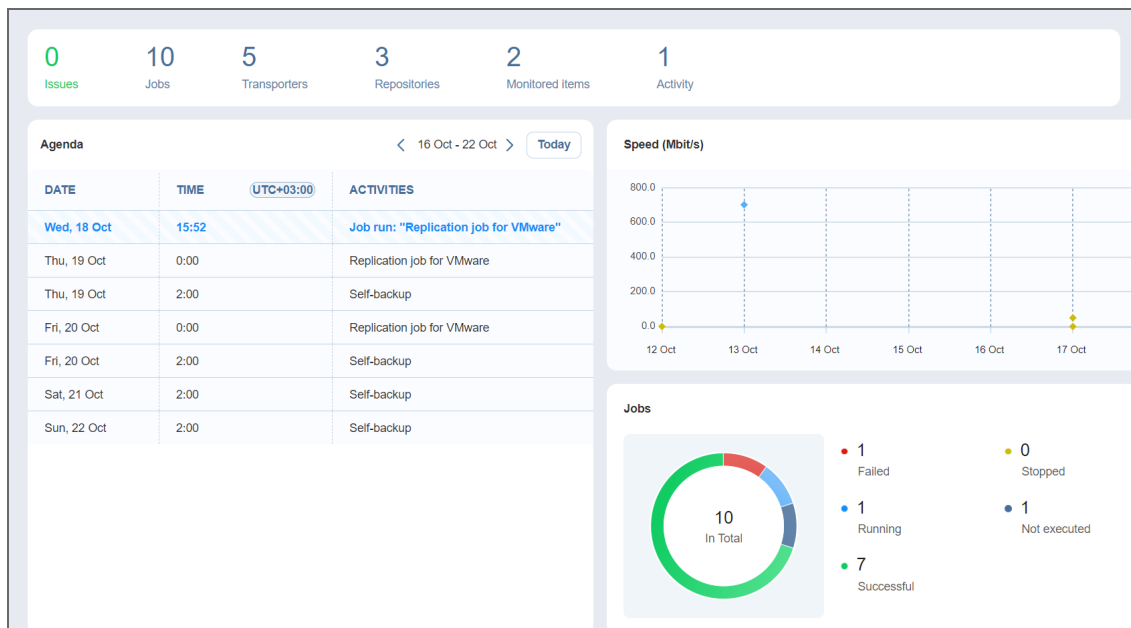
The main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication is located on the left side of the product interface. It provides access to the overview dashboard, jobs, activities, calendar, global search, and product settings. It also contains the **Help** menu and **Log Out** button.



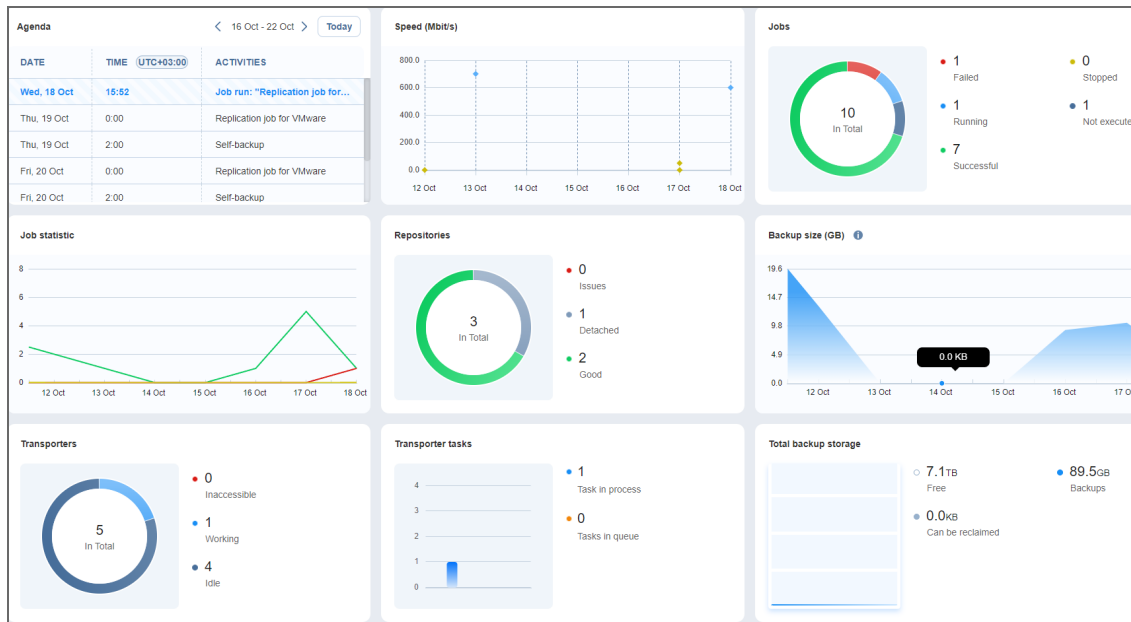
Overview

The **Overview** page displays the key statistics for your instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication. The information is displayed in the following widgets:

- **Summary bar:** Lists the total number of issues (errors and alarms), jobs, transporters, repositories, monitored items, and running activities.
- **Agenda:** Lists running and scheduled activities for a given week. By default, this widget displays the current week.
- **Speed:** Displays the speed at which raw data has been transferred during successful job runs in the previous seven days.
- **Jobs:** Displays the total number of available jobs and their respective last run statuses.



- **Job statistic:** Shows a graph of the number of successful, stopped, and failed jobs for each day in the previous seven days.
- **Repositories:** Displays the total number of available repositories and their statuses.
- **Backup size:** Displays the total size of backups created for each day in the previous seven days. Note that backups in forever incremental (**Store backups in separate files option** is not selected) Backup Repositories are considered OKB, and thus are not reflected in the **Backup size** graph.
- **Transporters:** Displays the total number of available transporters that have been added or deployed successfully and their statuses.
- **Transporter tasks:** Displays the total number of tasks being processed or waiting to be processed by all transporters.
- **Total backup storage:** Displays the total amount of storage of all available repositories.



- **Events:** Lists all events, including errors, warnings, and general status information, sorted by date by default. Includes search and filter functions that simplify finding specific events by name, type, or date range.

Event name	Initiated by	Date
ⓘ The "o365 group" Microsoft 365 account was refreshed successfully, time spent: 2 seconds.	System user	18 Oct 2023 at 16:20
✅ The "o365 group" Microsoft 365 account refresh has started.	System user	18 Oct 2023 at 16:20
ⓘ The "o365" Microsoft 365 account was refreshed successfully, time spent: 3 seconds.	System user	18 Oct 2023 at 16:20
ⓘ Transporter "Windows Physical" was refreshed, time spent: 0 seconds.	System user	18 Oct 2023 at 16:20
✅ The "o365" Microsoft 365 account refresh has started.	System user	18 Oct 2023 at 16:20
✅ Refresh has started on "Windows Physical" transporter.	System user	18 Oct 2023 at 16:20
ⓘ The "10.30.23.52" physical machine was refreshed successfully, time spent: 2 minutes.	System user	18 Oct 2023 at 16:20
ⓘ The "Windows Physical" transporter has been edited.	System user	18 Oct 2023 at 16:20
✅ The "10.30.23.52" physical machine refresh has started.	System user	18 Oct 2023 at 16:18
ⓘ The "10.10.11.50" HPE 3PAR storage device was refreshed successfully, time spent: 17 seconds.	System user	18 Oct 2023 at 16:18

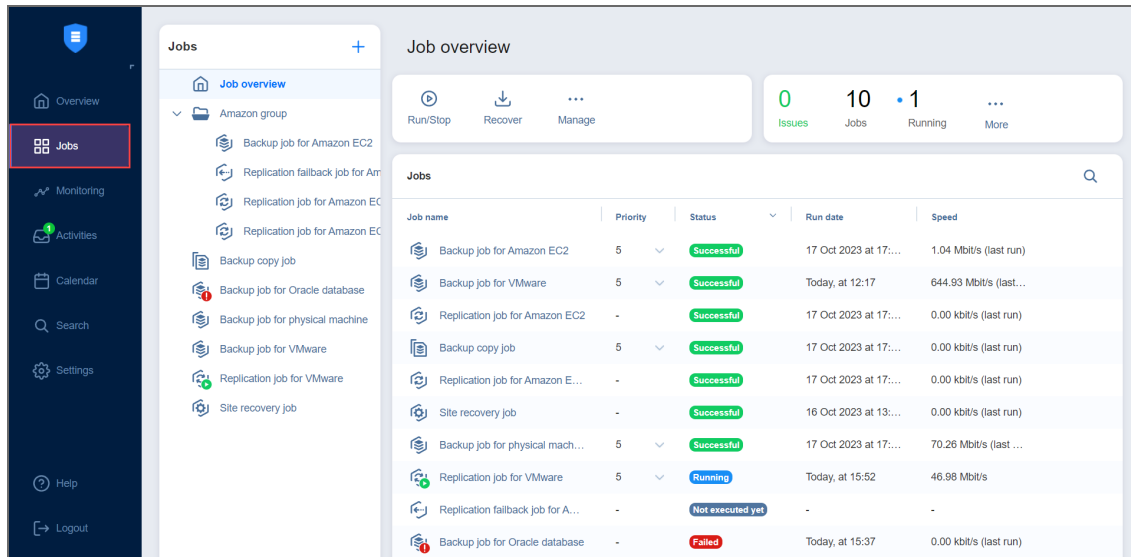
Page 1 of 2573 20/1443 items displayed

Jobs

Using the **Jobs** page, you can:

- View, run, and stop jobs on demand or on schedule
- Recover files, objects, VMs, and sites
- Manage jobs
- Create backup, backup copy, replication, recovery, and flash boot jobs
- Create job reports

- Create and manage job groups

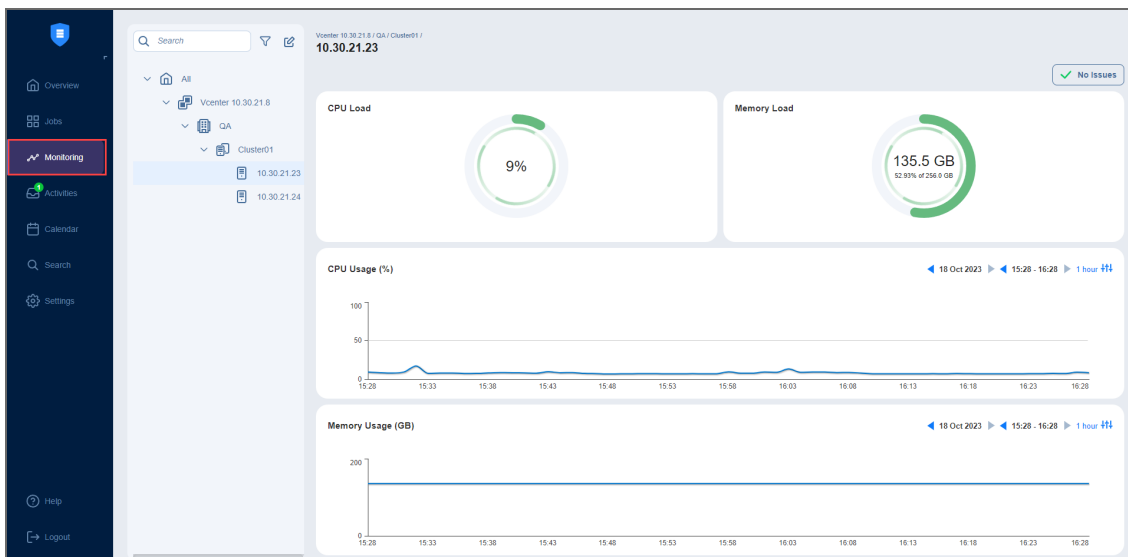


Monitoring

On the **Monitoring** page, you can check the following metrics (current and historical):

- For VMware VMs: CPU usage, memory usage, and disk usage
- For VMware hosts: CPU usage and memory usage
- For VMware datastores: Disk usage

For additional information, refer to the [Monitoring](#) topic.

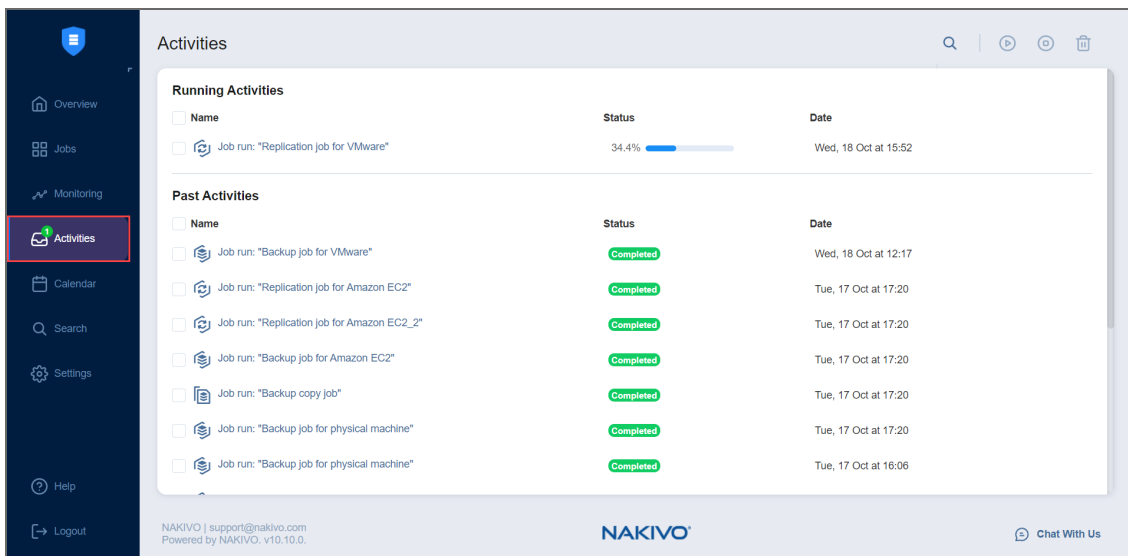


Activities

The **Activities** page displays a list of all running and past activities, such as:

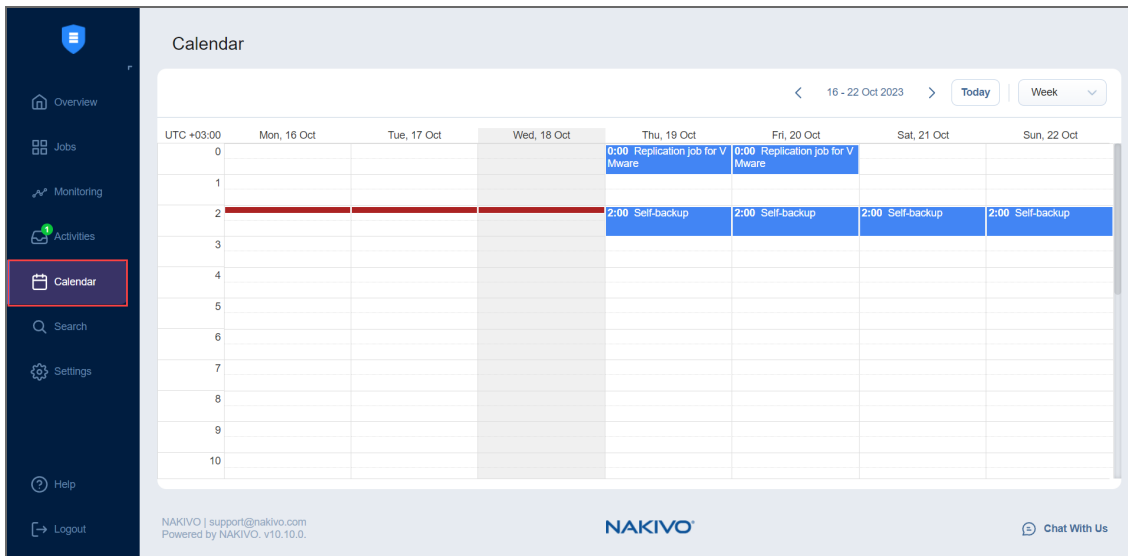
- Job run
- Repository Self-Backup
- File download
- Application object download
- Universal object recovery
- Repository [space reclaim](#)
- Repository [self-healing](#)
- Repository backup verification
- [Backup export](#)
- [Tape-specific activities](#), namely: scanning, erasing, and reading Tape
- Other

For further details and information, refer to [“Managing Activities” on page 341](#).



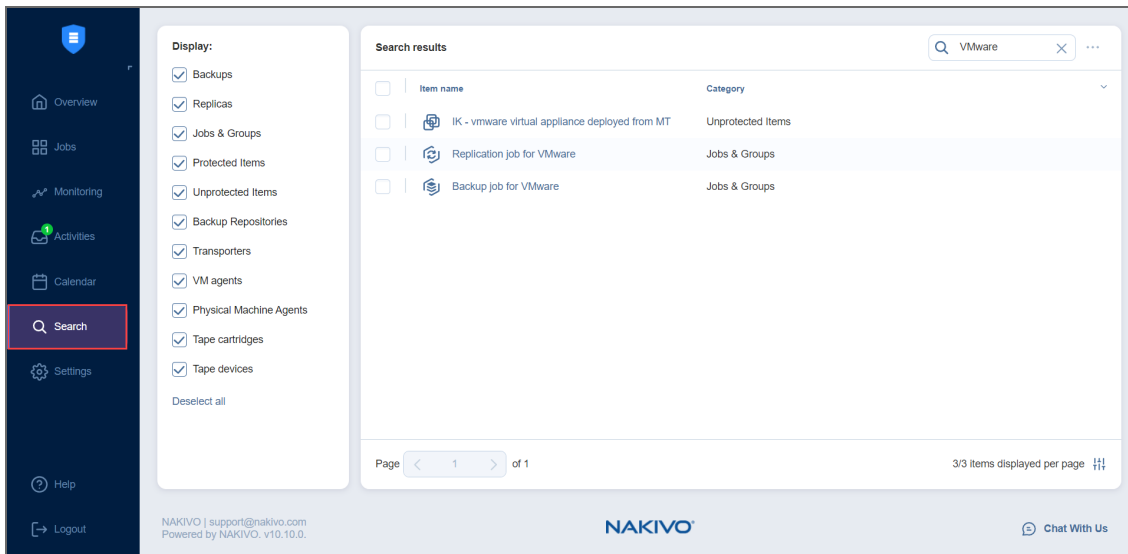
Calendar

The **Calendar** allows you to schedule jobs and view the history of all job runs in one organized space. For more information, refer to [“Using Calendar” on page 345](#).



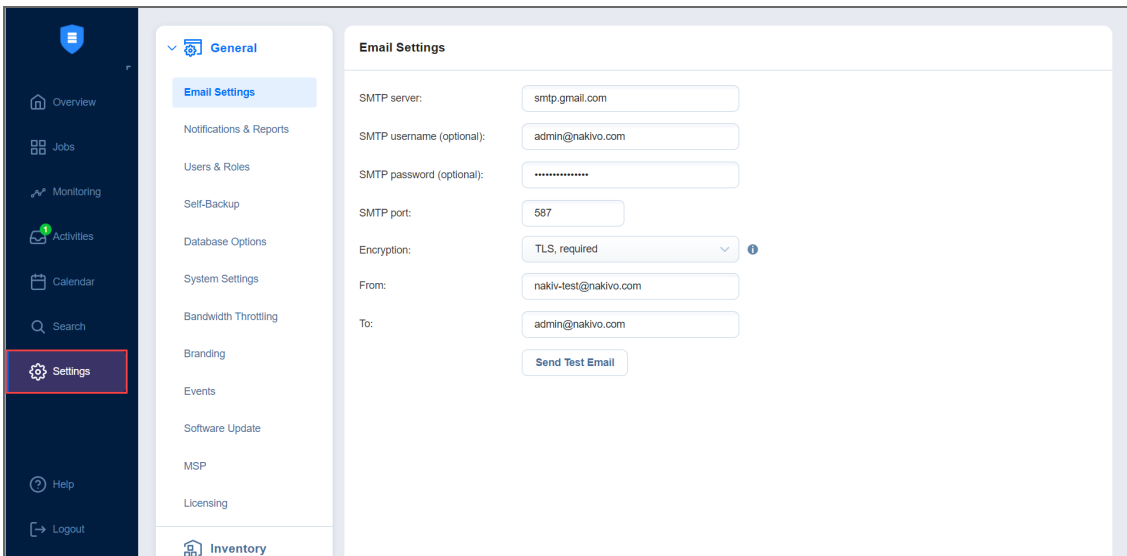
Search

The **Search** page allows you to search for items within the entire NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance—the Inventory, Transporters, Repositories, tape devices, jobs, backups, replicas, and more. For more details, refer to [“Using Global Search” on page 347](#).



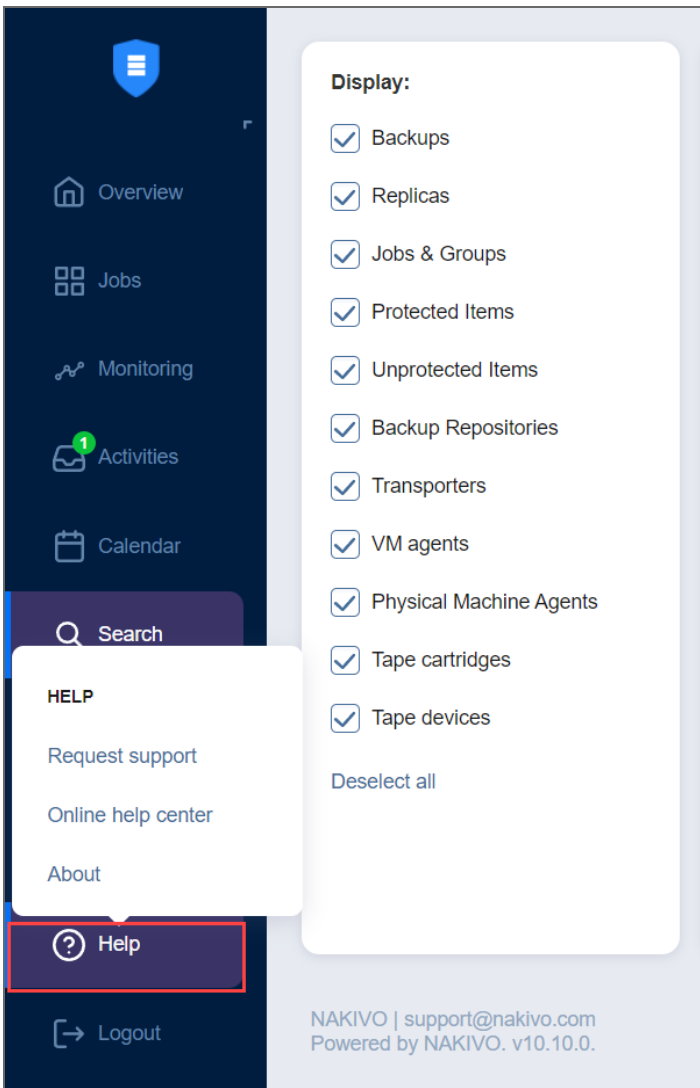
Settings

On the **Settings** page, you can configure NAKIVO Backup & Replication [General](#), [Inventory](#), [Transporters](#), [Repositories](#), and [Tape](#) settings. Refer to [“Settings” on page 353](#) for more detailed information.



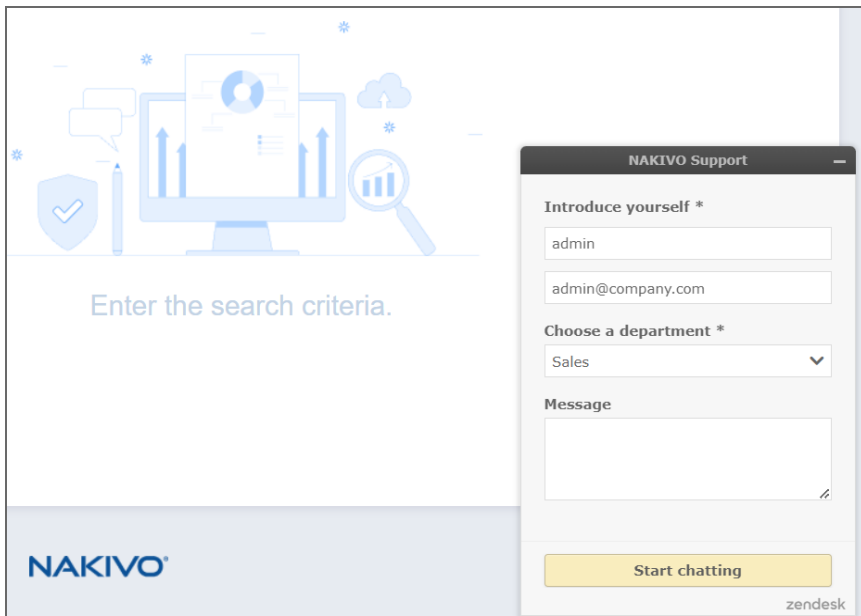
Help Menu

Use the **Help** menu to request technical support and access the NAKIVO online [help center](#) or see information about your product. If you are evaluating NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you may also check the **How to Buy** section of the **Help** menu to view pricing, request a live demo or quote, find a reseller, or contact Sales. If you are using a Free license, you may also upgrade to a Trial license for 15 days with the **Try full functionality** option.



Online Chat Dialog

The **NAKIVO Support** online chat is located in the right bottom corner of the application. It enables you to quickly request help from a sales or technical support representative.



Special Offers Toolbar

This element of the interface is located to the left of the NAKIVO Backup & Replication dashboard. The toolbar contains special offers. If you click the button, a dialog opens displaying information about a specific offer. If needed, the **Special Offers** toolbar can be disabled. Refer to [“System Settings” on page 386](#) for details.

Tenants Dashboard

If you use NAKIVO Backup & Replication in a multi-tenant mode, the **Tenants** dashboard allows you to [create](#), [manage](#), and [configure tenants](#).

Managing Jobs and Activities

Using NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface, you can manage jobs and tasks. This section covers the following topics:

- [“Jobs Dashboard” below](#)
- [“Running Jobs on Demand” on page 317](#)
- [“Managing Jobs” on page 323](#)
- [“Managing Job Policies” on page 331](#)
- [“Managing Policy Rules” on page 334](#)
- [“Job Alarms and Notifications” on page 339](#)
- [“Managing Activities” on page 341](#)
- [“Using Calendar” on page 345](#)
- [“Using Global Search” on page 347](#)

Jobs Dashboard

The **Jobs** dashboard is a detailed interface where you can create and manage jobs, as well as get an overview of job details. For a detailed explanation of each component in the Jobs dashboard, see the sections below.

- [Group/Job Overview Dashboard](#)
 - [Action Bar](#)
 - [Summary Bar](#)
 - [Jobs Table](#)
 - [Group Info](#)
 - [Overview Panes](#)
- [Job Dashboard](#)
 - [Action Bar](#)
 - [Summary Bar](#)
 - [Job Info](#)
 - [Job Settings](#)
 - [Job Objects](#)
 - [Overview Panes](#)

Group/Job Overview Dashboard

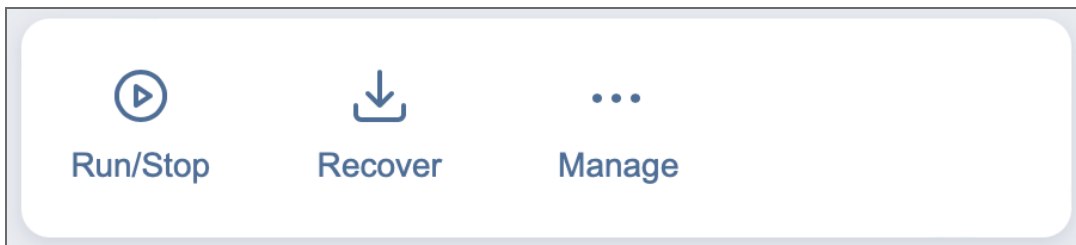
The **Job overview** and job group views offer an overview of multiple jobs. See the sections below for more information.

Action Bar

The group and **Job overview** action bars contain the following three job actions:

- **Run/Stop:** Opens the Run/Stop Jobs dialog box
- **Recover:** Brings up a list of recovery options for the selected group of jobs
- **Manage:** Brings up the options to **Rename**, **Delete**, or **Disable** a job group, as well as change the destination for all backup jobs in the group

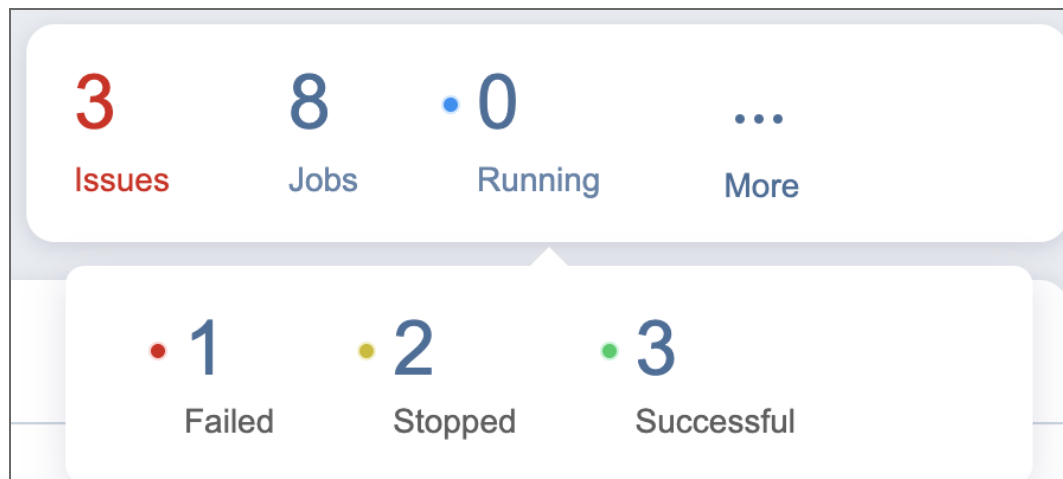
For more information on using the action bar, see [“Running Jobs on Demand” on page 317](#).



Summary Bar

The summary bar displays information about the jobs in a given group. The data displayed is as follows:

- **Issues:** Total number of issues/alarms for the group of jobs. When clicked, this displays the Alarms & Notifications dialog box.
- **Jobs:** Total number of jobs in the group.
- **Running:** The number of running jobs in the group.
- **Failed:** The number of failed jobs in the group.
- **Stopped:** The number of stopped jobs in the group.
- **Successful:** The number of successful jobs in the group.



Jobs Table

The **Jobs** table shows a list of jobs and the information about each job in the following columns:

- **Job name:** The name of a given job in the group.
- **Priority:** The priority level of a given job in the group. Click the arrow button to the right of this parameter to change the priority level of a job.

Note

This column is only available in the Enterprise, Enterprise Essentials, Enterprise Plus, MSP Enterprise, and MSP Enterprise Plus editions.

- **Status:** The status of a given job:
 - **Successful:** The last job run was successfully completed.
 - **Failed:** The last job run failed.
 - **Running:** The job is currently running.
 - **Stopped:** The last job run was stopped.
 - **Not executed yet:** The job has not been executed yet.
- **Run date:** The date of a given job's last run.
- **Speed:** If the job is currently running, displays the current job run speed. If the job is not currently running, displays the speed of the last job run.

The screenshot shows the 'Jobs overview' page. On the left is a navigation sidebar with 'Jobs' highlighted. The main area displays a 'Job overview' section with summary statistics: 0 Issues, 10 Jobs, and 1 Running. Below this is a table with columns for Job name, Priority, Status, Run date, and Speed. The table lists various backup and replication jobs with their respective statuses and speeds.

Job name	Priority	Status	Run date	Speed
Backup job for Amazon EC2	5	Successful	17 Oct 2023 at 17:...	1.04 Mbit/s (last run)
Backup job for VMware	5	Successful	Today, at 12:17	644.93 Mbit/s (last...
Replication job for Amazon EC2	-	Successful	17 Oct 2023 at 17:...	0.00 kbit/s (last run)
Backup copy job	5	Successful	17 Oct 2023 at 17:...	0.00 kbit/s (last run)
Replication job for Amazon E...	-	Successful	17 Oct 2023 at 13:...	0.00 kbit/s (last run)
Site recovery job	-	Successful	16 Oct 2023 at 13:...	0.00 kbit/s (last run)
Backup job for physical mach...	5	Successful	17 Oct 2023 at 17:...	70.26 Mbit/s (last ...)
Replication job for VMware	5	Running	Today, at 15:52	46.98 Mbit/s
Replication fallback job for A...	-	Not executed yet	-	-
Backup job for Oracle database	-	Failed	Today, at 15:37	0.00 kbit/s (last run)

To customize the sorting of the **Jobs** table, click the head of the column you wish to sort by. To change the order of the columns, drag and drop a column to the needed position. You may also search for a job by clicking the **Search** button at the top of the table. To manage a job in the table, hover over a job and click the ellipsis **Manage** button on the right side.

Group Info

This pane displays current information about the jobs in the selected group. The information includes:

- Currently running jobs, displayed as a ratio to the total number of jobs
- The status of recent jobs; **Completed**, **Failed**, or **Stopped**

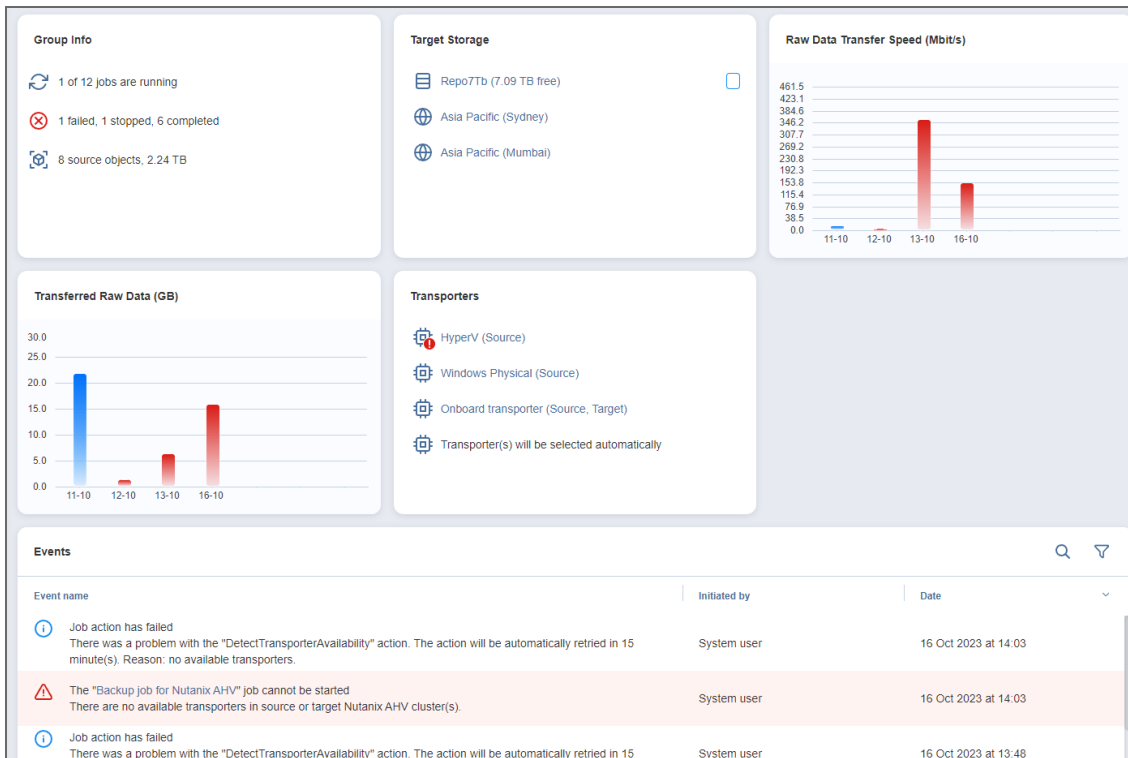
- The number of source objects and their respective total size (if applicable)



Overview Panes

There are several other panes that give an overview for the chosen job group. These panes are as follows:

- **Target Storage:** The target storage(s) of the jobs in the chosen group
- **Raw Data Transfer Speed (Mbit/s):** The raw data transfer speed for previous job runs (if no job in the group is currently running) or current job run (if a job is currently running). If a job run includes multiple backup objects, the aggregated data transfer speed of all backup objects is displayed.
- **Transferred Raw Data (GB):** The amount of raw transferred data before compression/deduplication for the current job run or past job run(s)
- **Transporters:** Table of the Transporters used by the group of jobs
- **Events:** Table of alarms/notifications for the given group of jobs



Job Dashboard

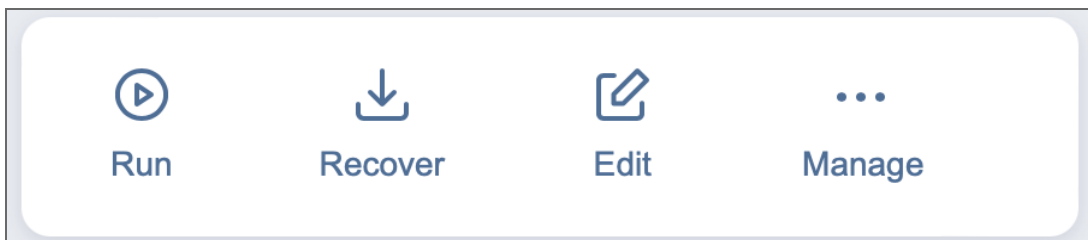
When selecting a specific job in the **Jobs** menu, the following information is displayed.

Action Bar

The job action bar contains the following four actions:

- **Run:** Opens the job run dialog box
- **Recover:** Brings up a list of recovery options for the given job (backup and replication jobs only)
- **Edit:** Opens the job edit wizard
- **Manage:** Brings up the options to **Clone, Merge, Rename, Create report** for, **Enable/Disable, or Delete** the job.

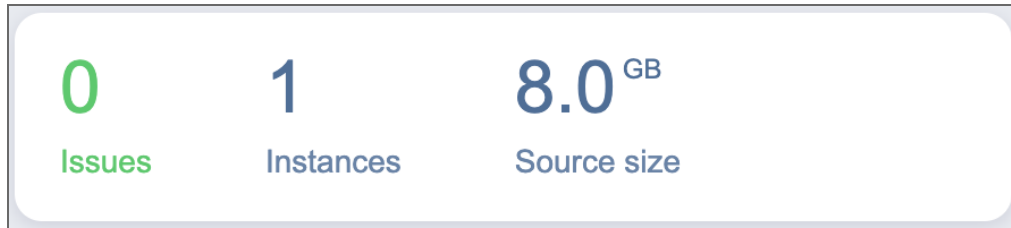
For more information on using the action bar, see ["Running Jobs on Demand"](#) on page 317.



Summary Bar

The summary bar displays information about a job. The data displayed is as follows:

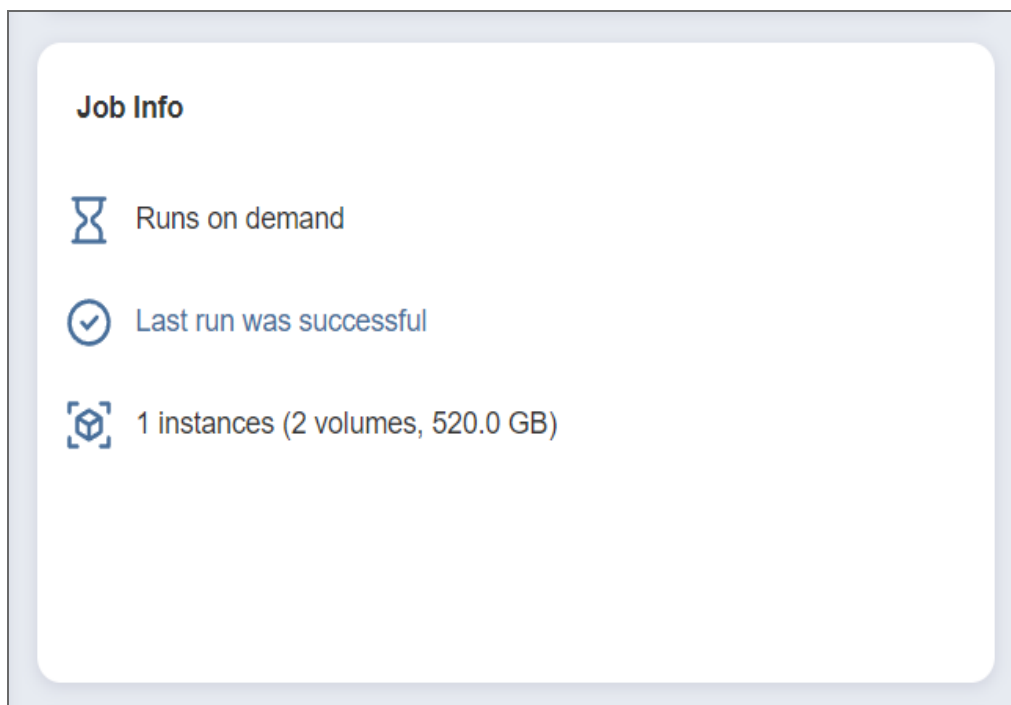
- **Issues:** Total number of issues/alarms for the job. When clicked, the Alarms & Notifications dialog box is displayed.
- **Objects:** Total number of objects covered by the job
- **Source size:** Total size of the objects covered by the job



Job Info

This pane displays current information about the job. The information includes:

- The running schedule for this job
- The status of this job; **Successful**, **Failed**, **Running**, **Stopped**, or **Not executed yet**
- The number of source objects and their respective total size (if applicable)



Job Settings

This pane allows you to view and edit certain options for a job. The settings displayed are as follows:

- The running schedule for this job (if applicable)
- Scheduled run time(s) for this job (if applicable)
- **Recovery points retention:** Clicking this opens a dialog box with **Retention Settings** for this job (if applicable)

Note

This option is only available in the following cases:

- Your version of NAKIVO Backup & Replication is older than v10.8.
- You have updated NAKIVO Backup & Replication from a version older than v10.8 to v10.8 or newer and have not enabled the new scheduler for the respective job.
- You enabled legacy retention in the [Expert](#) tab.

- **Job options:** Clicking this opens a dialog box with **Job Options** for this job.

The screenshot displays the configuration page for a 'Backup job for Amazon EC2'. The 'Job Options' dialog box is open, showing the following settings:

- Job name: Backup job for Amazon EC2
- Job priority: 5
- Use installed VM agents: Disabled
- App-aware mode: Disabled
- Change tracking: Use proprietary method
- Network acceleration: Disabled
- Network encryption: Disabled
- Exclude swap files and partitions: Enabled
- Exclude unused blocks: Enabled
- Temporary volumes: Magnetic
- Full Backup Settings: Job runs # 5

The 'Job Settings' pane on the right shows:

- 0 Issues
- 1 Instances
- 520.0 GB Source size
- Runs on demand
- Schedule time is not set
- Job options (highlighted with a red box)

Note

The **Job Settings** pane for NAKIVO Backup & Replication recovery jobs only displays the settings relevant to this particular job:

The screenshot displays the configuration page for a 'Full recovery job for Amazon EC2'. The 'Job Settings' pane is visible, showing:

- 0 Issues
- 1 Instances
- 20.0 GB Source size
- Runs on demand
- Job options

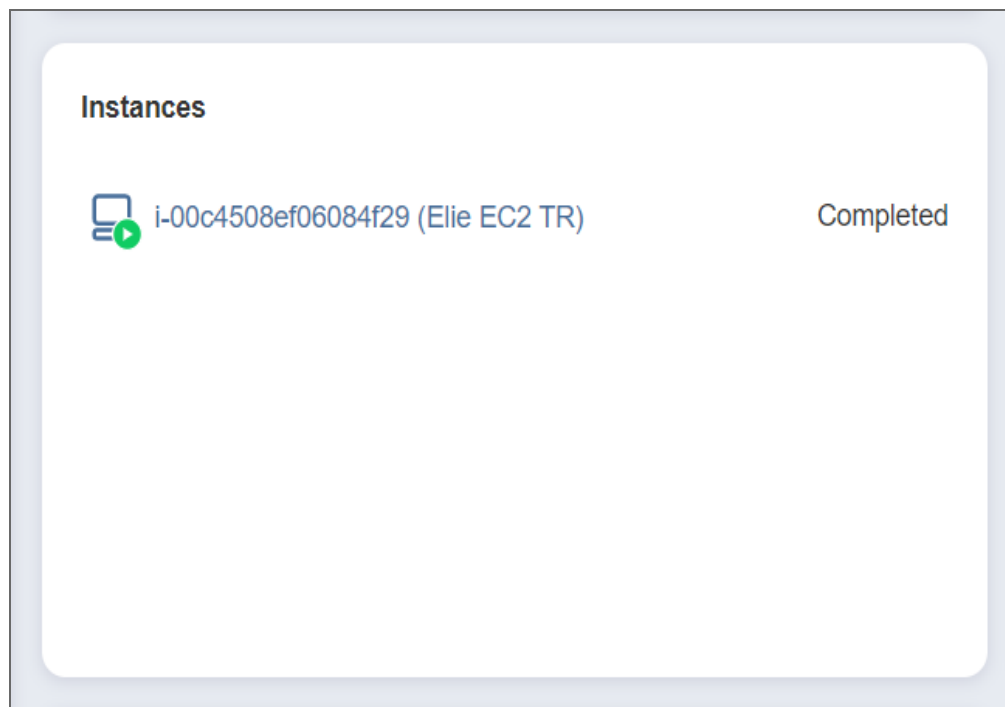
The 'Job Info' pane on the left shows:

- Runs on demand
- This job has not been executed yet
- 1 Instances (1 volumes, 20.0 GB)

Job Objects

This pane displays a list of backup/replication/recovery objects based on the respective object type. The objects can be one of the following:

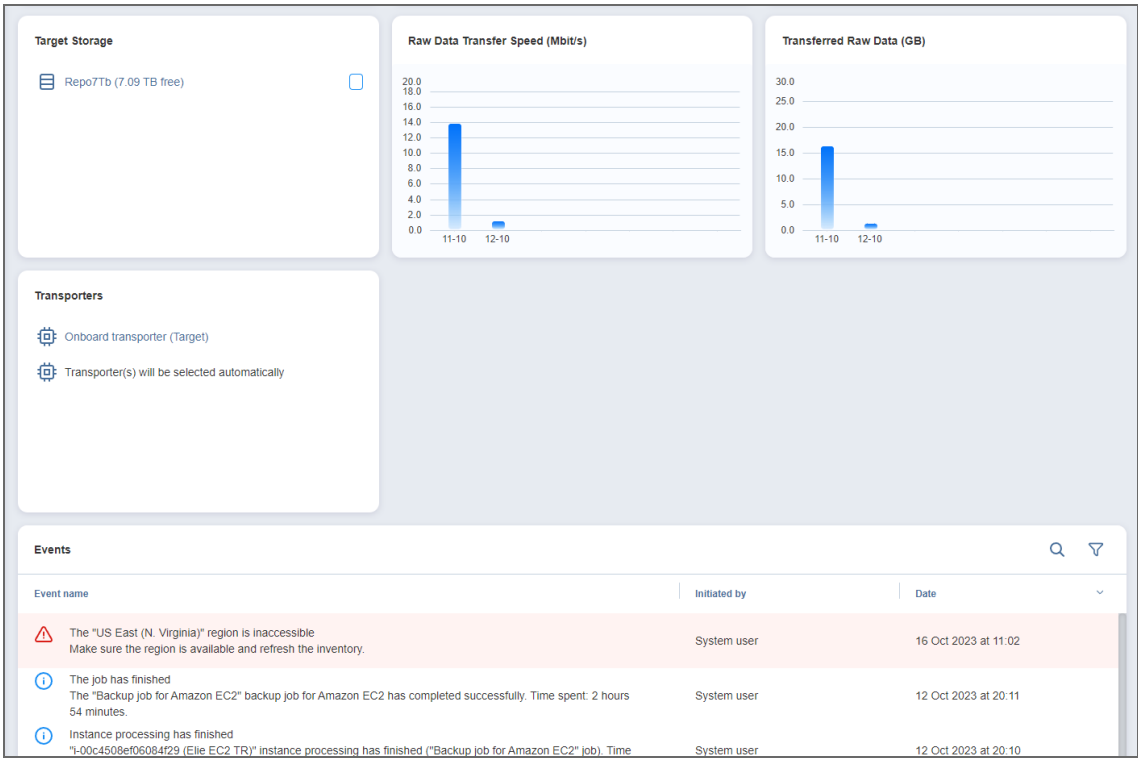
- Virtual Machines
- Instances
- Backups
- Physical Machines
- Databases
- Microsoft 365 Items
- File Share Items



Overview Panes

Several other panes give an overview of the chosen job. These panes are as follows:

- **Target Storage:** The target storage of the chosen job
- **Raw Data Transfer Speed (Mbit/s):** The raw data transfer speed for the current job run or previous job runs if the job is not currently running. If a job run includes multiple backup objects, the aggregated data transfer speed of all backup objects is displayed.
- **Transferred Raw Data (GB):** The amount of raw transferred data before compression/deduplication for a current job run or past job run(s)
- **Transporters:** Table of the Transporters used by the job
- **Events:** Table of alarms/notifications for the given job



Running Jobs on Demand

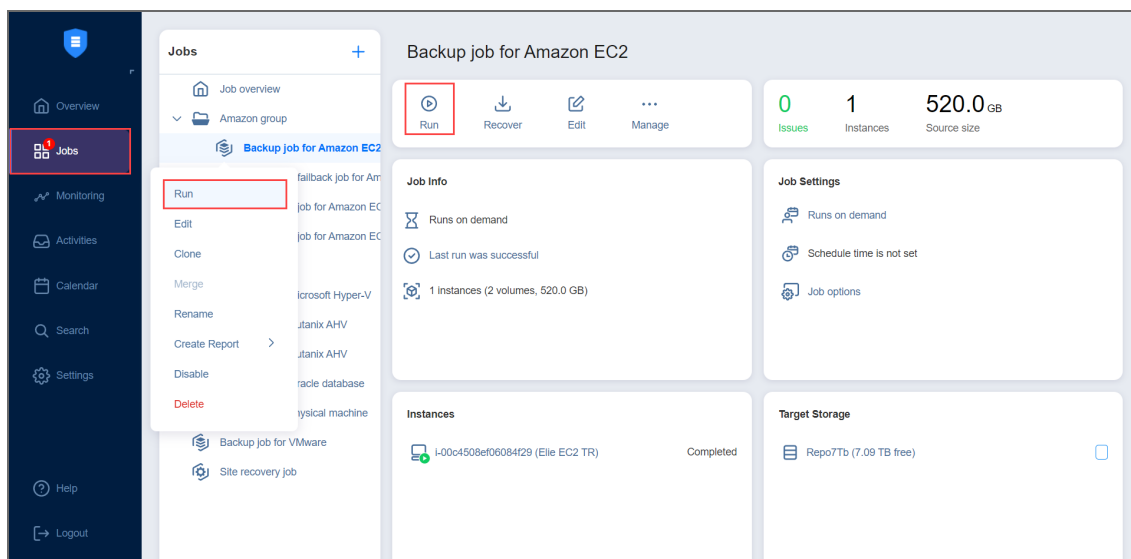
Use the **Jobs** menu to start and stop jobs on demand.

- [Starting Jobs](#)
- [Stopping Jobs](#)
- [Managing Grouped Jobs](#)

Starting Jobs

To start a job, follow the steps below:

1. Go to the **Jobs** menu, select the job from the list of jobs, and click **Run**. Alternatively, right-click a job to bring up the action menu and click **Run**.



2. Choose one of the following options:
 - **Run for all VMs/VM templates/backups/physical machines/instances/databases/sites/accounts/items:** The job runs for all job objects.
 - **Run for selected VMs/VM templates/backups/physical machines/instances/databases/sites/accounts/items:** The job runs for the job objects that you select.
 - **Run for failed VMs/VM templates/backups/physical machines/instances/databases/sites/accounts/items:** If applicable, the job runs for previously failed job objects only.
 - **Run for stopped VMs/VM templates/backups/physical machines/instances/databases/sites/accounts/items:** If applicable, the job runs for previously job stopped objects only.
3. If backups in the Backup Repository selected for a job are stored in separate files, you have to choose between the following backup types:

- **Incremental:** The job creates an incremental backup.
 - **Full:** The job creates a full backup. When you choose this option, choose one of the full backup modes:
 - **Synthetic full:** The application first creates an incremental backup—that is, transfers only the data that changed since the last backup—and then creates a new full backup using the last full backup and the chain of subsequent incremental recovery points.
 - **Active full:** The application reads all source machine data and transfers it to the backup repository to create a full backup.
4. For backup and backup copy jobs, you can use preconfigured retention settings by selecting **Use job retention** (legacy retention approach) or **Select schedule** (schedule retention approach), or specify custom retention settings for a manual job run by selecting **Keep recovery points for**.
- **Use job retention:** Select this option to use the preconfigured legacy retention settings for a job run. If a previous run for this job was stopped or failed, the settings used for that run are selected by default.
 - **Select schedule:** Select this option to choose a preconfigured schedule and its retention settings for this job. If a previous run for this job was stopped or failed, the settings used for that run are selected by default. Recovery points created by a manual job run using this option are automatically assigned expiration dates.
 - **Keep recovery points for:** The recovery points created by this job run are kept for the specified period of time and then expire. The expired recovery points are removed during the following job run.

Note

If a job does not support retention or has the **Do not schedule, run on demand** option selected, only the **Keep recovery points for** option will be available.

5. Click the **Run** button to confirm your selection.

Run this job?
✕

Backup type: Incremental ▼

Full backup mode: Synthetic full ▼

Job run scope:

Run for all instances

Run for selected instances

🔍 Search

Instance

🖨️ i-00c4508ef06084f29 (Elie EC2 TR)

Select schedule ▼

Keep recovery points for - 30 + Days ▼ ℹ️

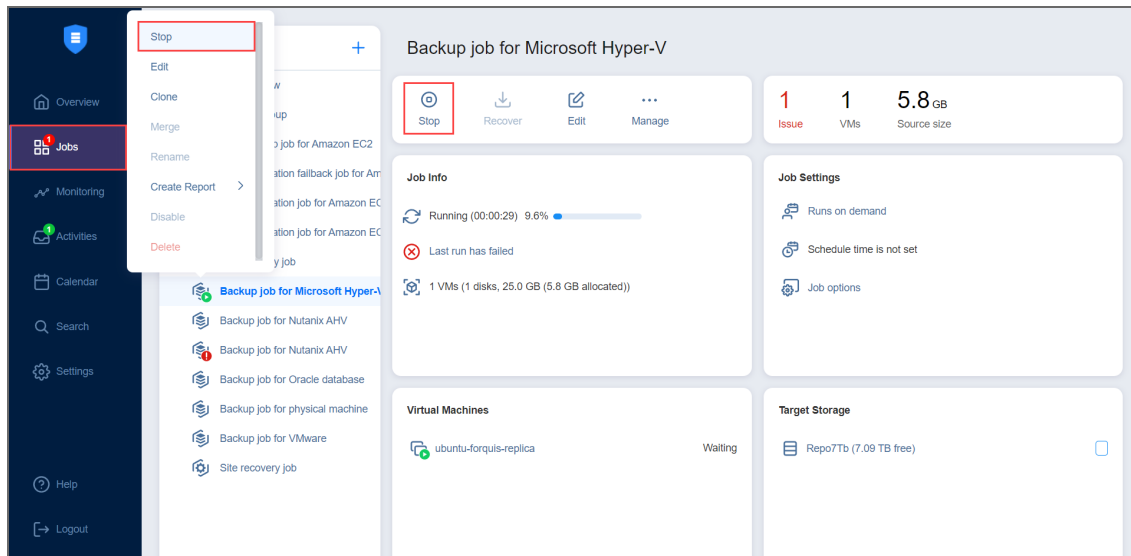
0 of 1 instances will be processed
Cancel
Run

The product will close the dialog box and start running your job.

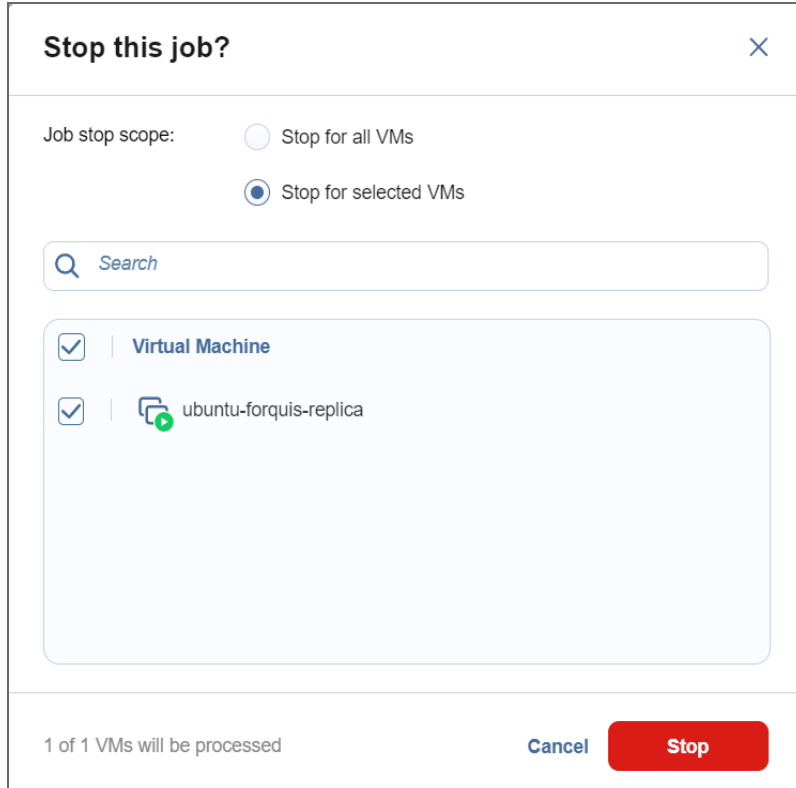
Stopping Jobs

To stop a job that is running, follow the steps below:

1. Go to the **Jobs** menu, select the job from the list of jobs, and click **Stop** . Alternatively, right-click a job to bring up the action menu and click **Stop**.



2. In the dialog box that opens, choose one of the following:
 - **Stop for all VMs/VM templates/backups/physical machines/instances/databases/sites/accounts/items:** The job stops for all job objects.
 - **Stop for selected VMs/VM templates/backups/physical machines/instances/databases/sites/accounts/items:** The job stops for the job objects that you select.
3. Click the **Stop** button in the dialog box to confirm your selection.

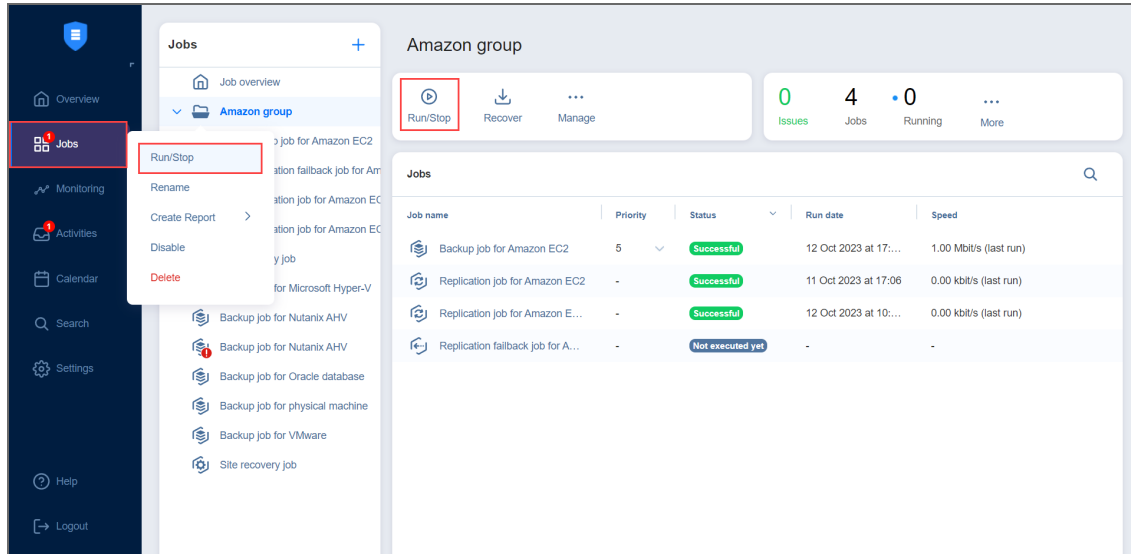


The application closes the dialog box and stops your job.

Managing Grouped Jobs

To efficiently start or stop jobs in bulk (run all failed jobs, for example), follow these steps:

1. From the **Jobs** menu, select the needed job group and click **Run/Stop**. To manage all jobs and groups at once, select **Overview** and click **Run/Stop**. Alternatively, right-click on the needed job group to bring up the action menu and click **Run/Stop**.



2. In the drop-down **Status** menu, select one of the following:
 - **All jobs:** Displays all jobs in the group
 - **Failed jobs:** Displays all failed jobs in the group
 - **Stopped jobs:** Displays all stopped jobs in the group
3. Select the jobs you want to run/stop.
 - a. When running backup or backup copy jobs, specify the retention settings with one of the following options:
 - **Use the last retention settings:** Select this option to use the retention settings from the last job run for the manual job run.
 - **Keep recovery points for:** The recovery points created by this job run are kept for the specified period of time and then expire. The expired recovery points are removed during the following job run.

Note

If the group of jobs contains at least one job that isn't a backup/backup copy job, does not support retention, or has had its retention settings changed since the previous run, only the **Keep recovery points for** option will be available.

- b. In the lowest drop-down menu, specify (if applicable) whether you want the operation to run for failed source objects, stopped source objects, or all source objects.

4. Click the **Run** or **Stop** button to confirm your selection.

Run/Stop Jobs ✕

Status: All jobs ▼

🔍 Search

▼ 📁 Amazon group

- 📁 Backup job for Amazon EC2
- ↔️ Replication fallback job for Amazon EC2
- 🔄 Replication job for Amazon EC2
- 🔄 Replication job for Amazon EC2_2

Use the last retention settings

Keep recovery points for — 30 + Days ▼ ℹ️

Run: Run for all source objects ▼

Cancel Run Stop

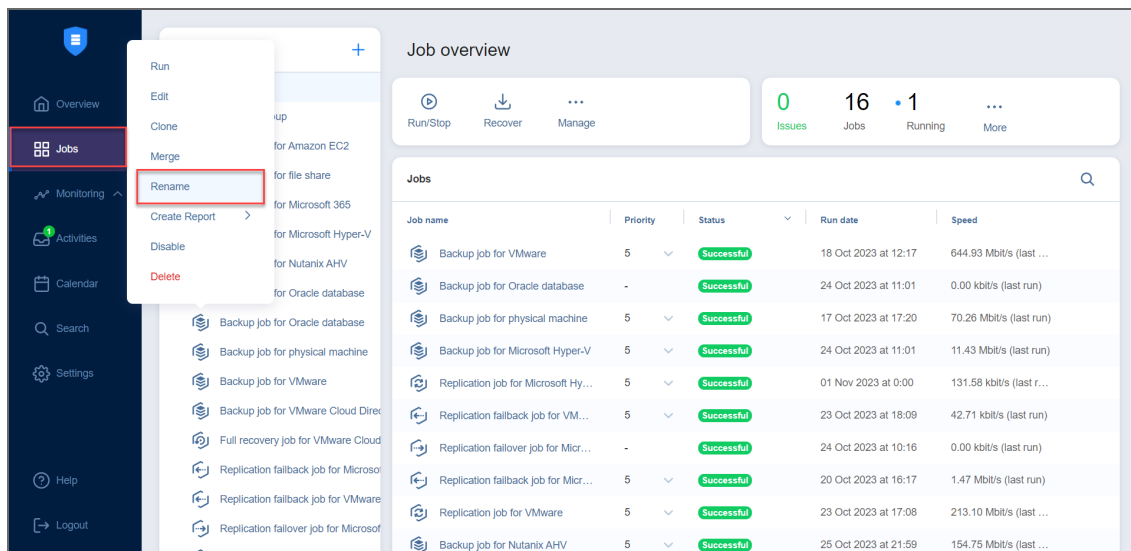
Managing Jobs

Using the **Jobs** menu, you can easily manage jobs. Use the **Manage** menu to rename, edit, merge, delete, and enable/disable jobs.

- [Renaming Jobs](#)
- [Editing Jobs](#)
- [Cloning Jobs](#)
- [Merging Jobs](#)
- [Deleting Jobs](#)
- [Disabling and Enabling Jobs](#)
- [Grouping Jobs](#)
 - [Creating Groups](#)
- [Creating Job Reports](#)

Renaming Jobs

1. From the list of jobs, right-click on the job you want to rename.
2. Click **Rename**.
3. In the dialog box that opens, specify the new name for the job and click **Rename**.



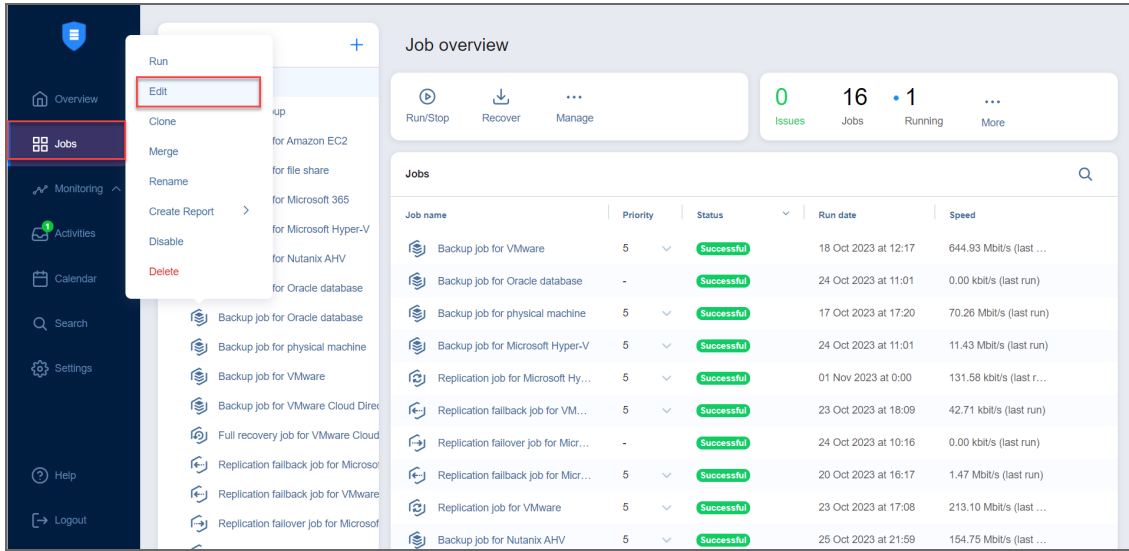
Note

You can also rename jobs by selecting a job and clicking **Manage > Rename**.

Editing Jobs

To edit a job, follow the steps below:

1. Right-click on the job you want to edit from the list of jobs.
2. Click **Edit**.
3. In the **Edit** wizard, click the needed page to open it for editing.
4. Make the required changes and click **Save** or **Save & Run**.



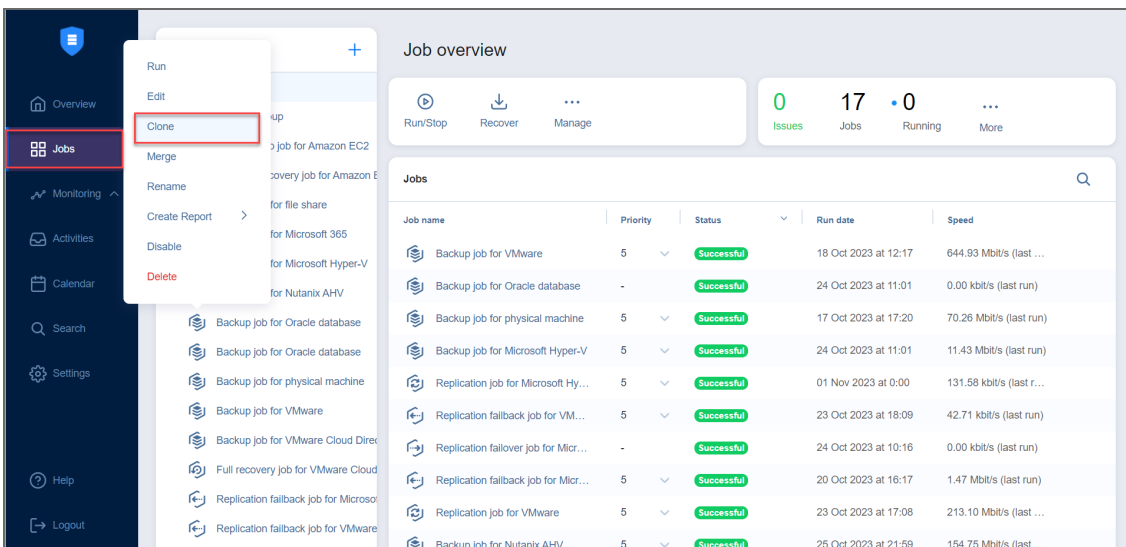
Notes

- You can edit the job while it is running, but the changes will be applied only when the job run has completed.
- You can also edit jobs by selecting a job and clicking **Manage > Edit**.

Cloning Jobs

To clone a job, follow the steps below:

1. Right-click on the job you want to clone from the list of jobs.
2. Click **Clone**.



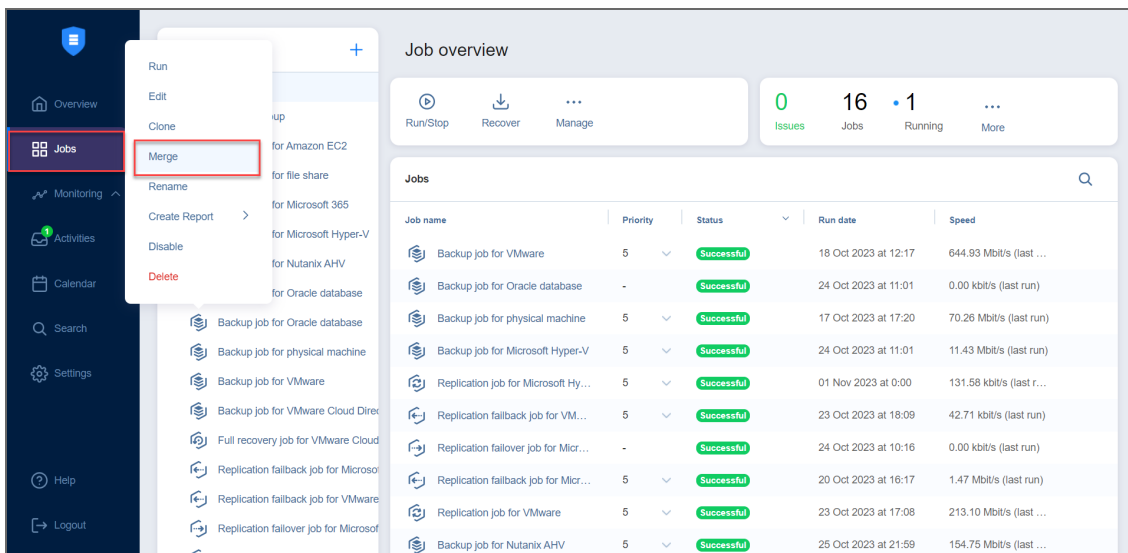
Note

You can also clone jobs by selecting a job and clicking **Manage > Clone**.

Merging Jobs

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to merge jobs of the same type. Before doing this, make sure to check [feature requirements](#) and [how the feature works](#). To merge the jobs, do the following:

1. From the list of jobs, right-click on the source job you want to merge.
2. Click **Merge**.
3. Choose the target job for the merge and click **Apply**.
4. After the merge is finished, click **Close** to close the popup.



Notes

- The **Merge** button may be unavailable in the following cases:
- The selected job does not meet the feature requirements.
- The selected job is currently running.
- There are no target jobs available to merge the selected job with.

Deleting Jobs

To delete a job follow the steps below:

1. Right-click on the job you want to delete from the list of jobs.
2. Click **Delete**.
3. In the dialog box that opens, select one of the following:
 - **Delete job and keep backups**
 - **Delete job and backups**

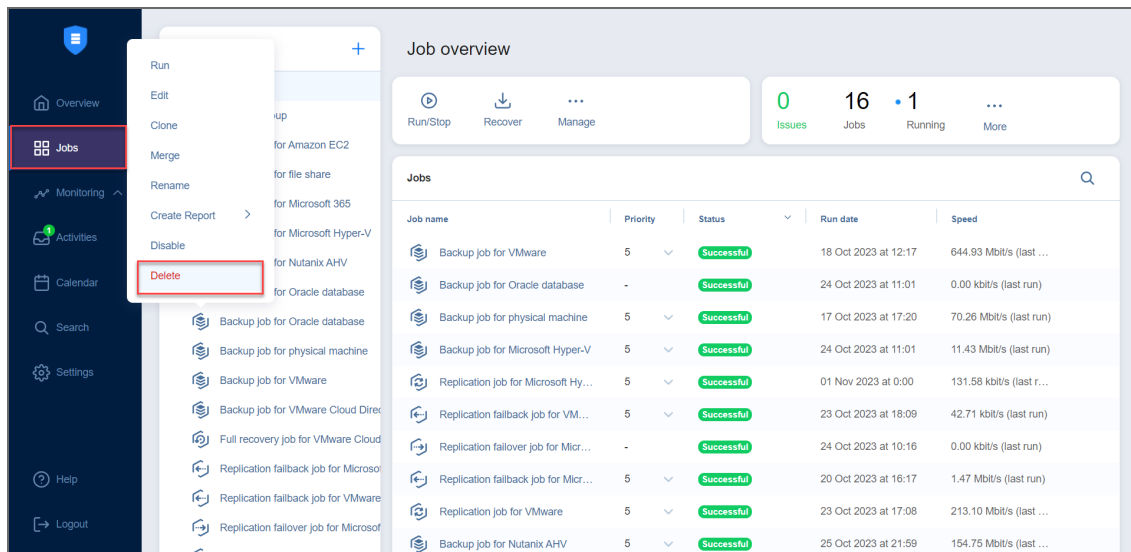
Note

If the job has target objects, the options in the dialogue box allow you to keep or delete the job and either of the following:

- backups
- replicas
- recovered VMs
- recovered instances
- replicas and their journals

Note that replicas, recovered VMs, and recovered instances are deleted in the powered off state.

4. Click **Delete**



The screenshot shows the 'Job overview' page in the NAKIVO Backup & Replication software. The left sidebar contains navigation options: Overview, Jobs, Monitoring, Activities, Calendar, Search, Settings, Help, and Logout. The 'Jobs' section is active, displaying a table of jobs. A context menu is open over the first job, 'Backup job for VMware', with the 'Delete' option highlighted. The table lists the following jobs:

Job name	Priority	Status	Run date	Speed
Backup job for VMware	5	Successful	18 Oct 2023 at 12:17	644.93 Mbit/s (last ...)
Backup job for Oracle database	-	Successful	24 Oct 2023 at 11:01	0.00 kbit/s (last run)
Backup job for physical machine	5	Successful	17 Oct 2023 at 17:20	70.26 Mbit/s (last run)
Backup job for Microsoft Hyper-V	5	Successful	24 Oct 2023 at 11:01	11.43 Mbit/s (last run)
Replication job for Microsoft Hy...	5	Successful	01 Nov 2023 at 0:00	131.58 kbit/s (last r...
Replication fallback job for VM...	5	Successful	23 Oct 2023 at 18:09	42.71 kbit/s (last run)
Replication fallover job for Micr...	-	Successful	24 Oct 2023 at 10:16	0.00 kbit/s (last run)
Replication fallback job for Micr...	5	Successful	20 Oct 2023 at 16:17	1.47 Mbit/s (last run)
Replication job for VMware	5	Successful	23 Oct 2023 at 17:08	213.10 Mbit/s (last ...)
Backup job for Nutanix AHV	5	Successful	25 Oct 2023 at 21:59	154.75 Mbit/s (last ...)

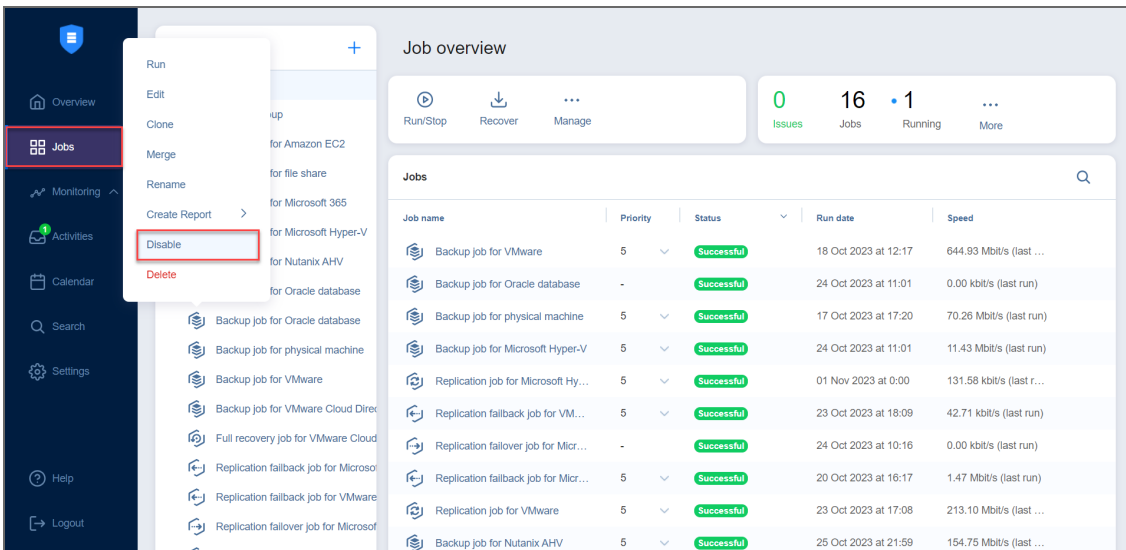
Notes

- You can also delete jobs by selecting a job and clicking **Manage > Delete**.
- Backups can also be [deleted](#) from Backup Repositories.

Disabling and Enabling Jobs

NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides you with the ability to disable jobs. A disabled job does not run based on the schedule and cannot be run on demand.

1. From the list of jobs, right-click on the job you want to disable.
2. Click **Disable**.



To enable a job, select **Enable** from the **Manage** menu.

Note

You can also manage jobs by selecting a job and selecting the desired action from the **Manage** menu.

Grouping Jobs

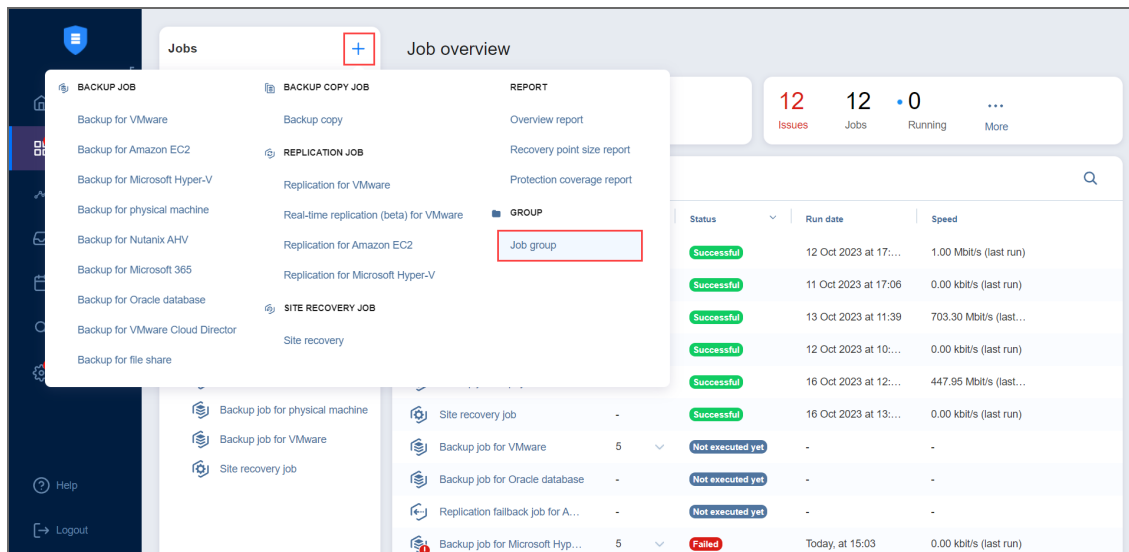
Groups are folders which allow you to:

- Logically arrange jobs (to represent organizations, locations, services, etc.).
- Perform bulk actions with all or selected jobs in a group.

Creating Groups

To create a group, follow the steps below:

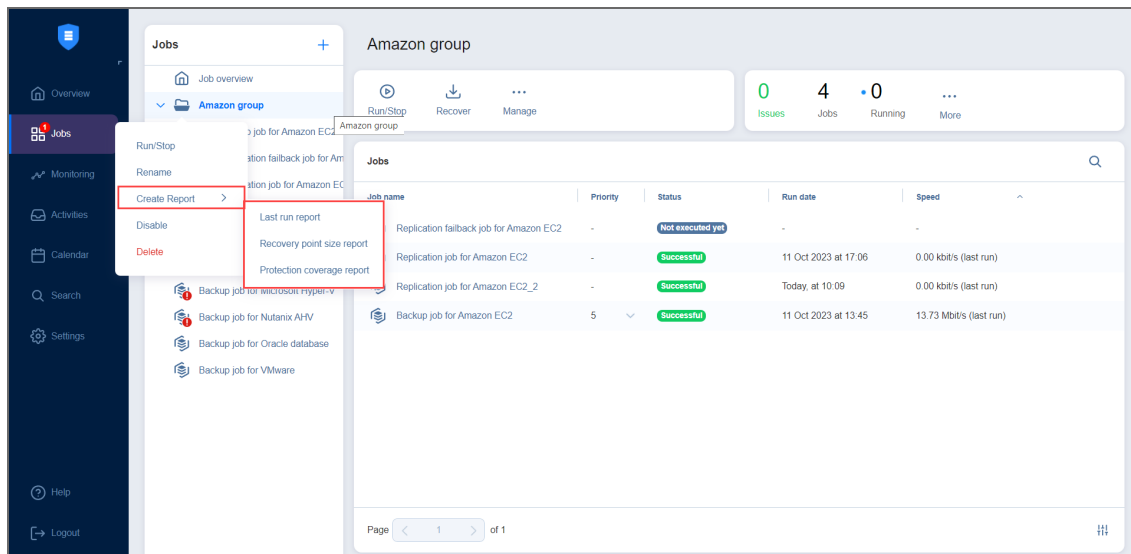
1. In the **Jobs** menu, click **Create** and then click **Job group**.



2. Type in the group name in the dialog box that opens and click **Create**.

The following actions are available to manage groups:

- To add a job to a group, simply drag the job into the group.
- To remove a job from the group, drag the job outside the group.
- To delete a group, right-click the group and choose **Delete** from the shortcut menu that opens. Confirm the group deletion when prompted to do so. Note that when deleting a group, the jobs in the group are not deleted. The jobs are moved to the parent group (or to *Overview*).
- To rename a group, double-click the group and enter a new name.
- To enable or disable all jobs inside a group, click the **Enable/Disable** switch.
- To run jobs available in a group, click **Run/Stop** and then click **Run Jobs**. In the dialog box that opens, select the jobs you want to run and click **Run Jobs**.
- To stop running the jobs available in a group, click **Run/Stop** and then click **Stop Jobs**. In the dialog box that opens, select the jobs you want to stop and click **Stop Jobs**.
- To create a report, click **Create Report**. In the dialog box that opens, select one of the following reports from the **Create Report** menu:
 - **Last-run report**: Provides data on the last run of the job. Choose either the PDF or CSV format and click **Create**.
 - **Recovery point size report**: Contains information regarding the sizes of recovery points for backups/replicas for the chosen job or jobs.
 - **Protection coverage report**: Contains information about all VMs and instances protected by backup/replication jobs, as well as about all unprotected VMs and instances.

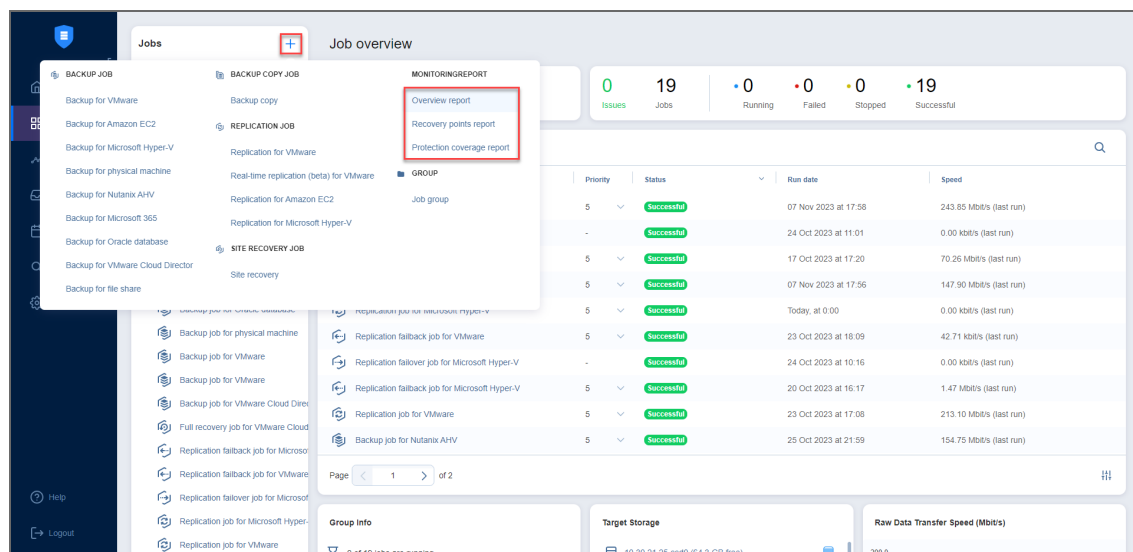


- Choose either the PDF or CSV format and click **Create**.

Creating Job Reports

To create a general report for all your jobs:

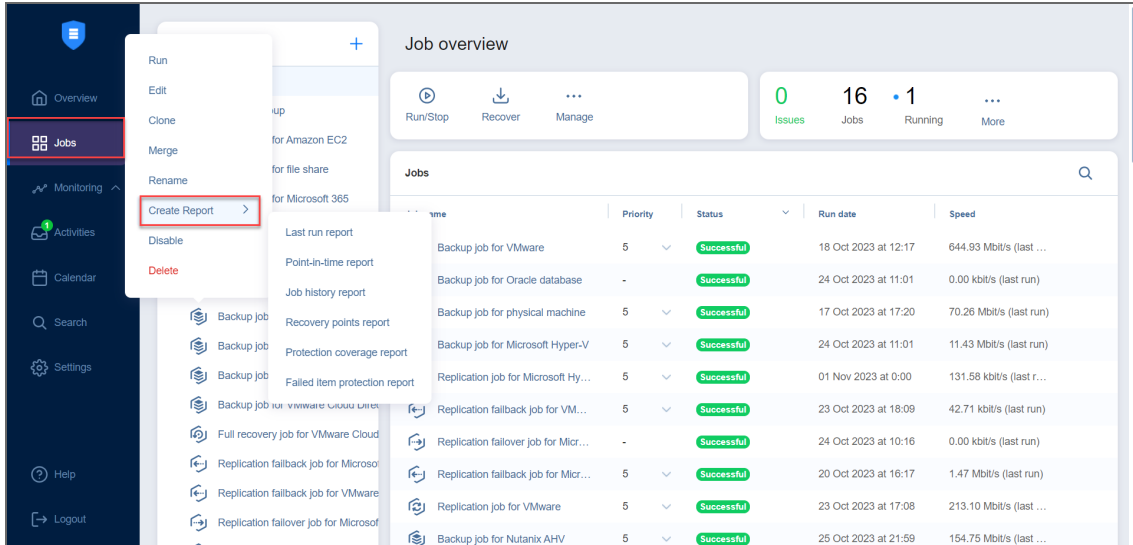
1. Select **Overview** in the **Jobs** menu.
2. Click **Create Report**.
3. Choose one of the following reports:
 - **Overview report:** Contains information about the status and errors of all jobs.
 - **Recovery point size report:** Contains information regarding the sizes of recovery points of backups/replicas for the chosen job or jobs.
 - **Protection coverage report:** Contains information about all VMs and instances protected by backup/replication jobs, as well as about all unprotected VMs and instances. Choose either the PDF or CSV format for the **Protection coverage report** and click **Create**.
4. Choose a location to save the report and click **Save**.



To generate reports from for an individual job, do the following:

1. Go to the list of jobs.
2. Select the job that you need to generate a report for and right-click it or click **Create**.
3. Select one of the following reports from the **Create Report** menu:
 - **Last run report:** Provides data on the last run of the job.
 - **Point-in-time report:** Provides data on a particular job run. To generate a report, choose a date in the popup and click **Create**.
 - **Job history report:** Provides data on job runs that occurred during a specified time period. To generate a report, pick a start date on the left and finish date on the right side of the popup and click **Create**.
 - **Recovery points report:** Contains data on size of recovery points created within specific period..
 - **Protection coverage report:** Contains information about all VMs and instances protected by backup/replication jobs, as well as about all unprotected VMs and instances.

- **Failed item protection report:** Contains information about job objects for which processing failed during the last job run. Only backup and replication jobs are included.
- **Site recovery job report:** Contains a summary of the site recovery job, including the result of passing the **Recovery time objective** value, information about all actions performed, and all registered alarms and notifications.



Managing Job Policies

With policies, you can create rules that easily add matching items to NAKIVO Backup & Replication jobs. For example, you can create a backup job that meets the following criteria: (a) size of VM is more than 4 GB, (b) number of VM CPU sockets is more than 2, and (c) VM name contains "Ubuntu". Any policy is applied to a single job. In the NAKIVO Backup & Replication job wizard, job policy is accessible from the **Policy** view of the Source page.

1. Source 2. Destination 3. Schedule 4. Retention 5. Options

View: Policy
Hosts & Clusters
Policy

Include items if ANY rule is matched

Map new VMs to matching backups. ⓘ

Rule #1

Search by: VM name

Which: Contains

Search criteria:

+ Add rules

License expires in 2 months 22 days

Cancel Save Save & Run

Every job policy contains at least one rule. Refer to [“Managing Policy Rules” on page 334](#) for details.

Job policies are available for the following job types:

- [Backup jobs](#)
- [Replication jobs](#)
- [Backup copy jobs](#)
- [Failover jobs](#)
- [Failback jobs](#)
- Several actions of the [Site Recovery](#) job

Learn how to save, edit, and remove job policies in these sections:

- [Saving Job Policy](#)
- [Editing Job Policy](#)
- [Removing Job Policy](#)

Saving Job Policy

Follow the steps below to save a policy rule:

1. Make sure your job is opened in the **Policy** view.
2. Choose either of the following **Condition** for your job policy:

- **Include items if ALL rules are matched:** If selected, the logical AND will be applied to the set of policy rules.
 - **Include items if ANY rule is matched:** If selected, the logical OR will be applied to the set of policy rules.
3. **Map new VMs/instances/machines to matching backups:** If the checkbox is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication maps new workloads, added to the job as compliant to the configured policy rules, to matching backups within the specified destination. This option is only available for VMware/Hyper-V/Amazon EC2/Physical machine backup jobs.
 4. Provide the necessary policy rules. Refer to [“Managing Policy Rules” on page 334](#) for details. Make sure that at least one item matches the available set of policy rules.
 5. Save your job.

Editing Job Policy

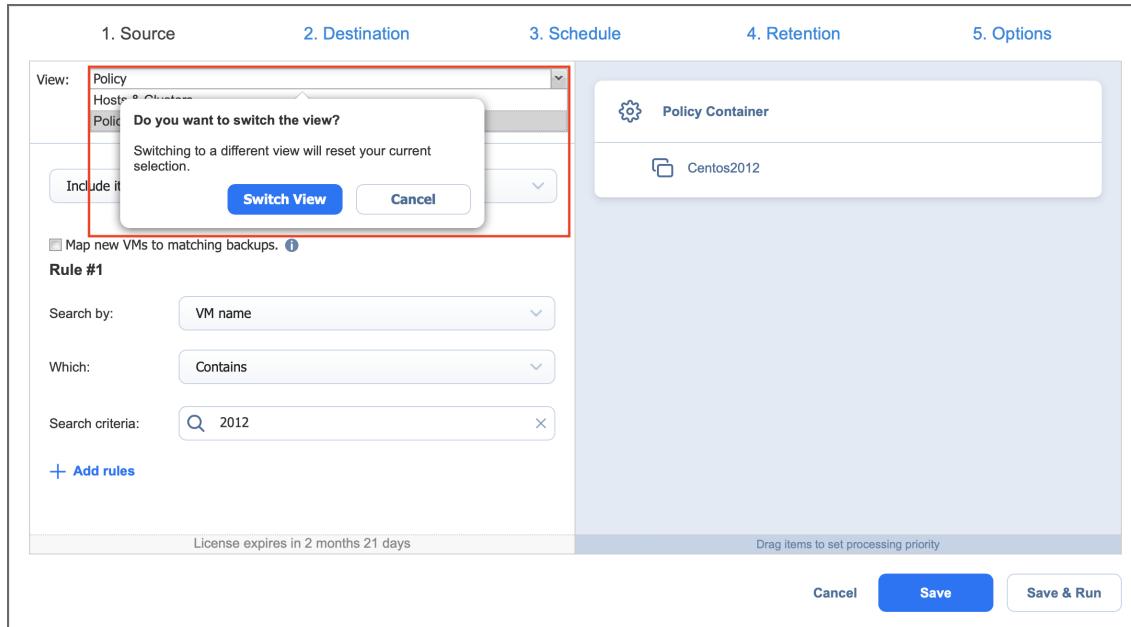
Follow the steps below to edit a job policy:

1. Make sure your job is opened in the **Policy** view.
2. Change the necessary parameters of your job policy:
 1. **Condition.**
 2. Add, edit or delete policy rules. Refer to [“Managing Policy Rules” on page 334](#) for details.
3. Save your job.

Removing Job Policy

Follow the steps below to remove an entire job policy:

1. Make sure your job is opened in the **Policy** view.
2. Switch to any other inventory view available on the list.
3. A dialog opens warning you that switching to a different view will reset your selection for the current job. Click **Switch View** to confirm your operation.
4. Save your job.



Managing Policy Rules

Policy rules are an integral part of [job policies](#). Refer to the following sections for details:

- [About Policy Rules](#)
- [Editing Policy Rules](#)
- [Adding Policy Rule](#)
- [Removing Policy Rule](#)

About Policy Rules

In the **Policy** view of the inventory tree, policy rules are numbered by NAKIVO Backup & Replication for your convenience.

Every policy rule contains the following options:

1. **Search by:** A drop-down list with the following search criteria:
 - **VM / VM Template / Instance / Backup / Replica / Machine name:** The rule is to be applied based on the name of the object.
 - **VM / Instance tag:** The rule is to be applied based on the tag of the object.
 - **VM / VM Template / Instance / Replica / Backup location:** The rule is to be applied based on the location of the object.
 - **Name of VM datastore / VM Template datastore / Replica datastore / VM Path / Replica Path / IP address:** The rule is to be applied based on the name of the datastore, path, or IP address.
 - **Name of VM network / VM Template network / Subnet / replica network:** The rule is to be applied based on the name of the network.
 - **Size of VM / VM Template / instance / replica / physical machine:** The rule is to be applied based on the size of the object.
 - **Amount of VM / instance / physical / replica RAM:** The rule is to be applied based on the amount of RAM for a given object.
 - **Number of VM CPU sockets / replica CPU sockets / VM processors / replica processors / Instance virtual CPUs / physical CPUs:** The rule is to be applied based on the number of CPU sockets, processors, or CPUs, depending on the object.

Note

The objects corresponding to the above criteria are as follows:

- **VM CPU sockets:** VMware VMs
- **Replica CPU sockets:** VMware VM replicas
- **VM processors:** Hyper-V VMs
- **Replica processors:** Hyper-V VM replicas
- **Instance virtual CPUs:** Amazon EC2 instances
- **Physical CPUs:** Physical machines

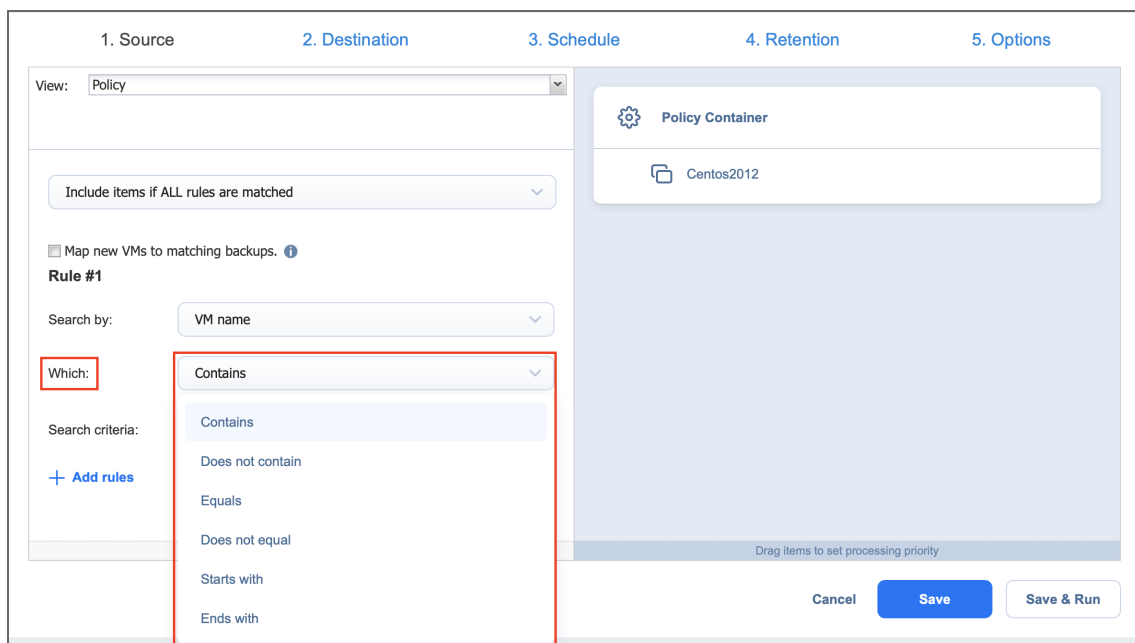
- **VM power state / Instance power state:** The rule is to be applied based on the power state of the object.
- **IP Address:** The rule is to be applied based on the IP address of the object.

The screenshot displays a configuration window for a backup policy, divided into five tabs: 1. Source, 2. Destination, 3. Schedule, 4. Retention, and 5. Options. The '3. Schedule' tab is active. On the left, under 'Rule #1', there is a 'Search by:' dropdown menu highlighted with a red box. Below it, a list of search criteria is shown, also highlighted with a red box. The criteria include: VM name, VM location, VM Path, Name of VM network, Size of VM, Amount of VM RAM, and Number of VM processors. The 'VM name' option is currently selected. To the right, a 'Policy Container' section shows a 'Centos2012' backup. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel', 'Save', and 'Save & Run' buttons.

2. **Search parameter:** You can choose either of the following:

- For **VM / VM Template / Instance / Backup / Replica / Machine name, Name of VM network / VM Template network / Replica network / Subnet / VM datastore / VM Template datastore / Replica datastore, VM / VM Template / Replica Path, VM / Instance tag, and IP Address:**
 - **Contains**
 - **Does not Contain**
 - **Equals** (always applied to the VM tag)
 - **Does not equal**
 - **Starts with**
 - **Ends with**

- For **Amount of VM / Instance / Physical / Replica RAM, Number of VM CPU sockets / replica CPU sockets / VM processors / replica processors / instance virtual CPUs / physical CPUs, and Size of VM / VM Template / Instance / Replica / physical machine**, you can choose any of the following search parameters:
 - **Is more than**
 - **Is less than**
 - **Equals**
 - **Does not equal**
- For **VM / Instance power state and VM / VM Template / Instance / Replica / Backup location**:
 - **Is**
 - **Is not**



3. **Search criteria:** A text string or a numeric value to be used by the policy rule.

When you enter or edit parameters, the changes are immediately reflected in the list of selected items.

Editing Policy Rule

Follow the steps below to edit a policy rule:

1. Make sure your job is opened in the **Policy** view.
2. Locate your policy rule in the left pane of the view. If necessary, use the scroll bar.
3. Change the necessary parameters of your policy rule. Make sure that at least one item matches an available set of policy rules.
4. Click **Next**.

Adding Policy Rule

Follow the steps below to add a policy rule:

1. Make sure your job is opened in the **Policy** view.
2. In the left pane of the wizard, click **Add rules**.
3. The wizard displays a new policy rule, *Rule #N*. Provide the necessary parameters of your new policy rule. Make sure that at least one item matches the available set of policy rules.
4. Click **Next** when all parameters are set.

The screenshot displays a multi-step wizard for adding a policy rule. The steps are: 1. Source, 2. Destination (active), 3. Schedule, 4. Retention, and 5. Options. The 'View' is set to 'Policy'. A dropdown menu shows 'Include items if ALL rules are matched'. There is a checkbox for 'Map new VMs to matching backups.' The 'Rule #1' section includes search criteria: 'Search by: VM name', 'Which: Contains', and 'Search criteria: 2012'. A red box highlights the '+ Add rules' button. The right pane shows a 'Policy Container' with 'Centos2012' listed. At the bottom, there are 'Cancel', 'Save', and 'Save & Run' buttons. A license expiration notice is visible at the bottom left.

Removing Policy Rule

Follow the steps below to remove a policy rule:

1. Make sure your job is opened in the **Policy** view.
2. Locate your policy rule in the left pane of the view. If necessary, use the scroll bar.
3. Hover over the rule you would like to remove to reveal the **Remove** icon to its right.

4. Click **Next** when all parameters are set.

The screenshot shows a policy configuration interface with five tabs: 1. Source, 2. Destination, 3. Schedule, 4. Retention, and 5. Options. The 'View' dropdown is set to 'Policy'. The first rule is configured with 'Which: Contains' and 'Search criteria: 2012'. Below it, 'AND' is selected, and 'Rule #2' is highlighted with a red box around its delete icon. The second rule is configured with 'Search by: VM name', 'Which: Contains', and 'Search criteria: Enter search criteria (3 characters or more)'. A '+ Add rules' button is at the bottom left. The right pane shows a 'Policy Container' with a 'Centos2012' item. At the bottom, there are 'Cancel', 'Save', and 'Save & Run' buttons. A license expiration notice is visible at the bottom left of the interface.

Note

You cannot remove all policy rules. A job policy must have at least one rule.

Job Alarms and Notifications

NAKIVO Backup & Replication displays:

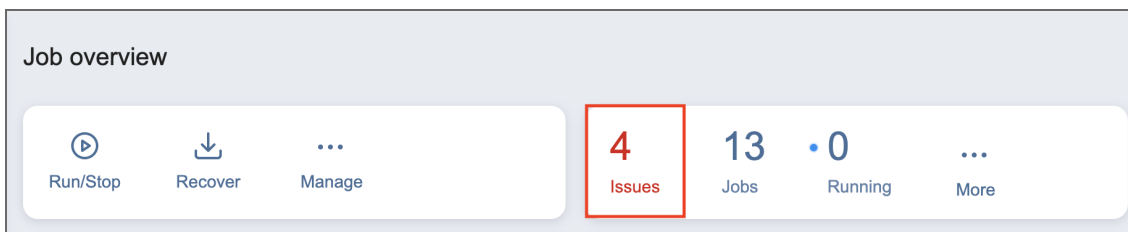
- **Alarms:** Job failures
- **Notifications:** Infrastructure changes and minor errors that do not lead to processing failure

For details, refer to the following sections:

- [Viewing Alarms and Notifications](#)
- [Dismissing Alarms and Notifications](#)

Viewing Alarms and Notifications

To view alarms and notifications, click the red **Issues** number in the **Summary bar**.



Dismissing Alarms and Notifications

To dismiss all alarms and notifications in a job or selected group, click **Dismiss All**. To dismiss an individual alarm or notification, hover the mouse pointer over the alarm or notification and click **Dismiss**.

4 Issues require your attention



Search



Microsoft API throttling has been applied to the "automation01" mailbox.

05 Dec at 20:58

Dismiss

Microsoft is throttling API requests for this job. This can result in lower backup and recovery performance as the product is waiting for the next opportunity to send and receive data. Reduce the number of objects in this job, reduce the number of concurrent jobs or contact Microsoft to increase the throttling limits. [Learn more](#)



Backup of the one note items of the "automation01" mailbox will be skipped.

05 Dec at 20:56

Permissions for one note items are missing. Add required permissions and try again. [Learn more](#)



Replication of the "000-sy-4src" replica has failed

05 Dec at 20:41

Replica with such name ("000-sy-4src-replica") already exists. Change the target Replica name in the job or rename the existing Replica.



CBT cannot be enabled for the "VM1" VM

30 Nov at 14:32

VMware CBT cannot be enabled correctly in powered off VMs. Backup will be performed using proprietary change tracking method. Power on this VM and run the job to start using CBT. [Learn more](#)

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Request Support

Dismiss All

Managing Activities

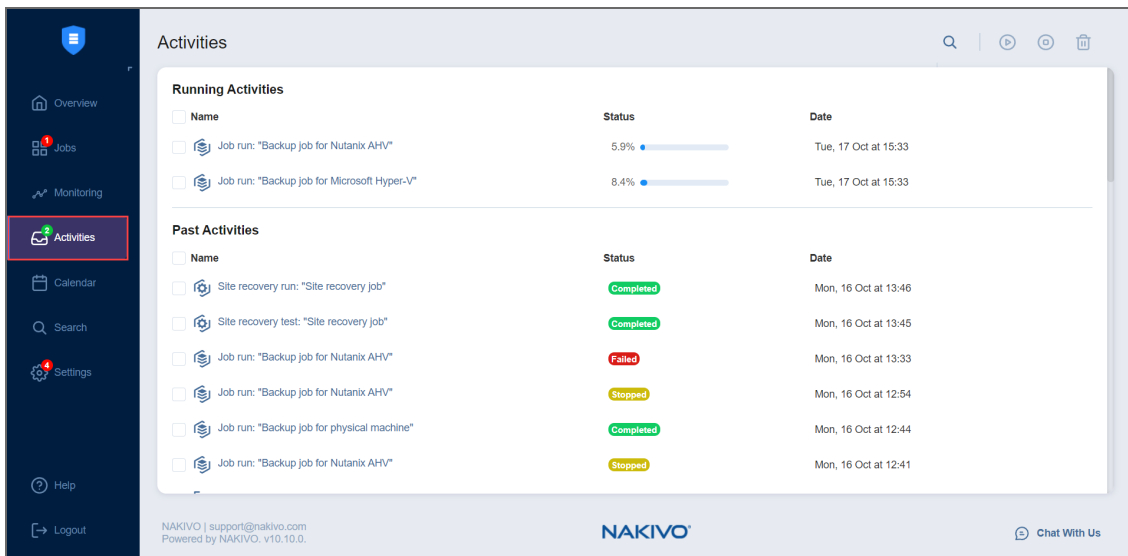
The **Activities** page displays current and past tasks performed by NAKIVO Backup & Replication. From this dashboard, the following actions can be done:

- [Viewing Activities](#)
- [Searching for Activities](#)
- [Viewing Activity Details](#)
- [Stopping Running Activities](#)
- [Running Activities Again](#)
- [Removing Activities](#)

Past activities are stored for the number of days specified in the **Store job history for the last X days** setting in the [General](#) tab.

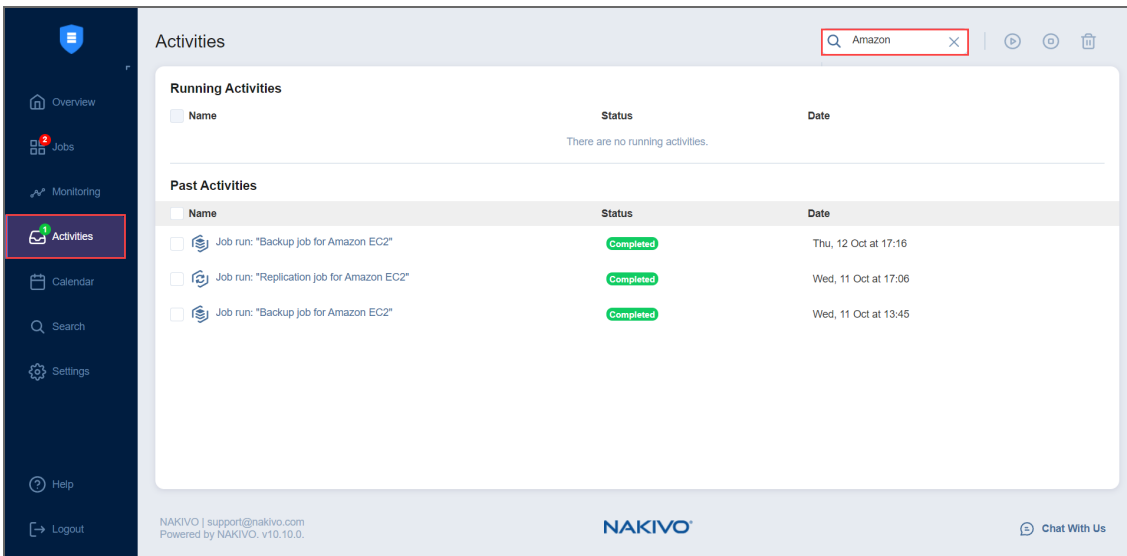
Viewing Activities

The **Activities** dashboard allows viewing all your current and past activities in the application.



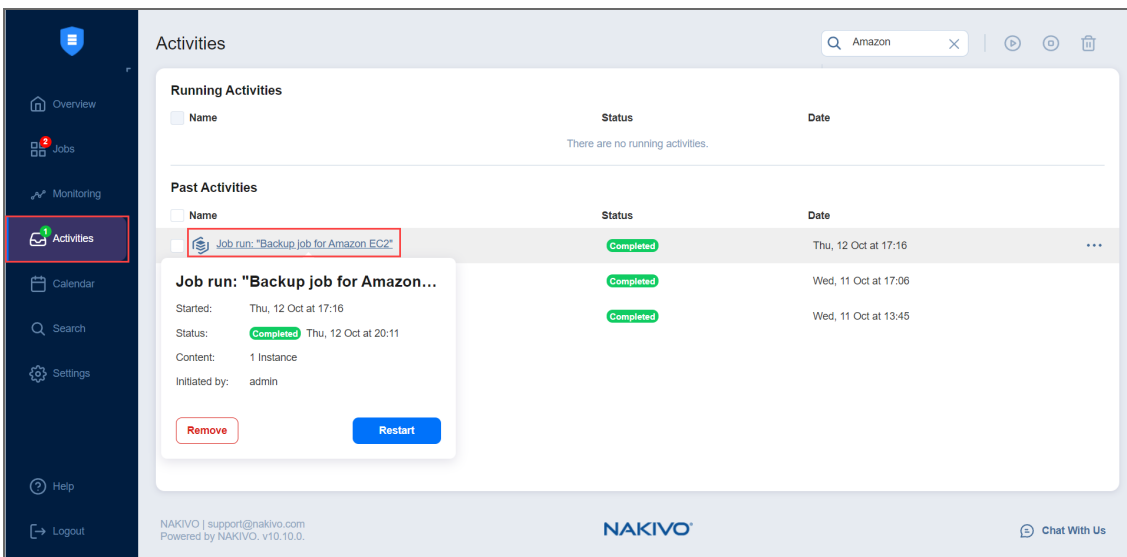
Searching for Activities

Find activity by typing in part of its name in the **Search** field.



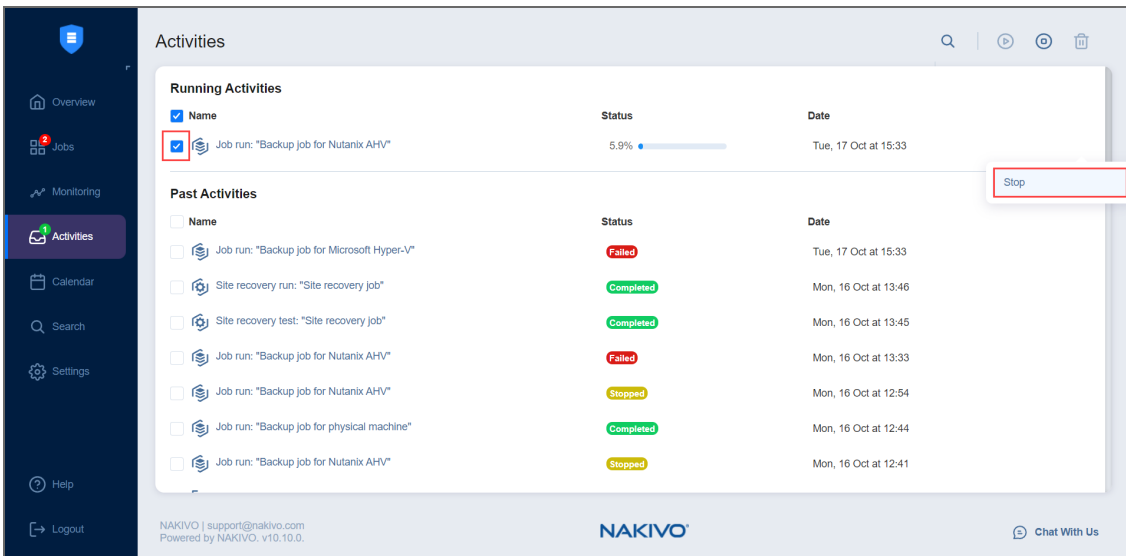
Viewing Activity Details

View the details of an activity by selecting an activity name.



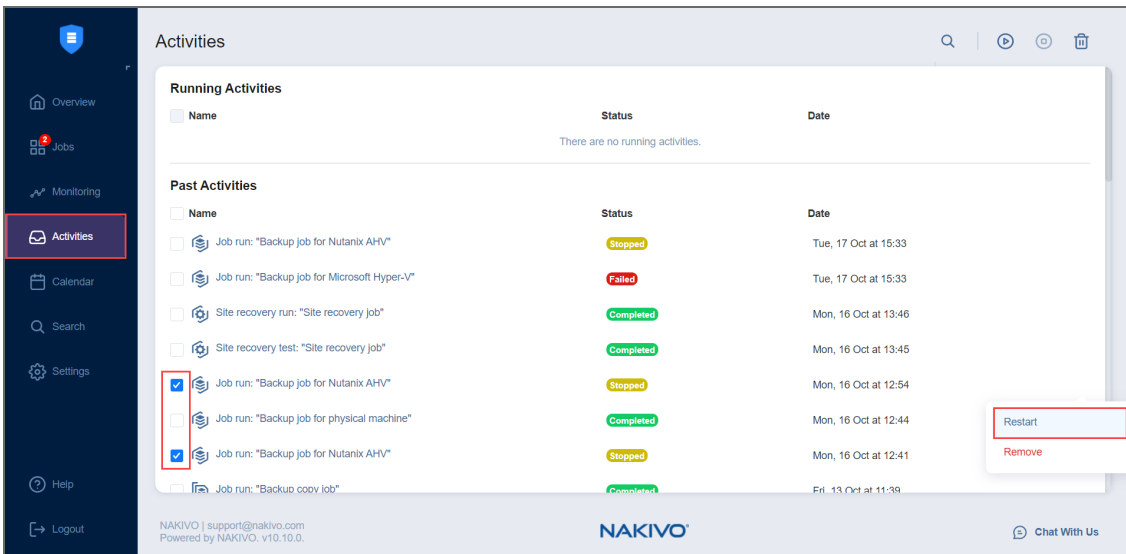
Stopping Running Activities

To stop running activities, tick the checkbox next to each desired activity and click **Stop** in the toolbar above. To stop all running activities, tick the **Select/Deselect all** checkbox at the top and click **Stop**. You can also stop a single activity by clicking the **Stop** icon that appears when you hover over a specific running activity.



Running Activities Again

To run activities again (if possible), tick the checkbox next to each desired activity and click **Start** in the toolbar above. To run all activities again at once, tick the **Select/Deselect all** checkbox at the top and click **Start**. You can also run a single activity by clicking the **Start** icon that appears when you hover over a specific activity.



Removing Activities

To remove activities from the list, tick the checkbox next to each desired activity and click **Remove** in the toolbar above. To remove all activities from the list at once, tick the **Select/Deselect all** checkbox at the top and click **Remove**. You can also remove a single activity by clicking the **Remove** icon that appears when you hover over a specific activity.

Activities

Running Activities

Name	Status	Date
There are no running activities.		

Past Activities

Name	Status	Date
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Job run: "Backup job for Nutanix AHV"	Stopped	Tue, 17 Oct at 15:33
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Job run: "Backup job for Microsoft Hyper-V"	Failed	Tue, 17 Oct at 15:33
<input type="checkbox"/> Site recovery run: "Site recovery job"	Completed	Mon, 16 Oct at 13:46
<input type="checkbox"/> Site recovery test: "Site recovery job"	Completed	Mon, 16 Oct at 13:45
<input type="checkbox"/> Job run: "Backup job for Nutanix AHV"	Stopped	Mon, 16 Oct at 12:54
<input type="checkbox"/> Job run: "Backup job for physical machine"	Completed	Mon, 16 Oct at 12:44
<input type="checkbox"/> Job run: "Backup job for Nutanix AHV"	Stopped	Mon, 16 Oct at 12:41
<input type="checkbox"/> Job run: "Backup coov job"	Completed	Fri, 13 Oct at 11:39

Restart
Remove

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Using Calendar

The **Calendar** allows you to schedule and view the history of past job runs.

- [Understanding Calendar Formatting](#)
- [Creating Jobs with Calendar](#)
- [Editing Jobs with Calendar](#)

Understanding Calendar Formatting

Jobs in the Calendar view are formatted by start/end time and color coded by status. The color coding format is as follows:

1. Successful job runs are marked in teal.
2. Future scheduled job runs and currently running jobs are marked in sky blue.
3. Repository maintenance jobs (such as scheduled self-healing) are marked in navy blue.
4. Stopped job runs are marked in yellow.
5. Failed job runs are marked in red.
6. Job runs belonging to disabled jobs are marked in gray.

Note

Job runs that complete later than their start date are marked in the Calendar for the appropriate number of days. In **Month** view, such jobs are also marked with background fill. For example, a job that started on a Monday and finished on a Wednesday will be marked in one continuous solid light blue line across three days.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
28	1	2	3 2:00 Self-backup 5 13:35 EC2 backup job 14:20 EC2 backup job +26 more	4 2:00 Self-backup	5 2:00 Self-backup	6 2:00 Self-backup
7 2:00 Self-backup	8 2:00 Self-backup	9 2:00 Self-backup 14:56 EC2 backup job 15:01 Physical machine... 4 15:01 EC2 backup job	10 2:00 Self-backup	11 2:00 Self-backup 1	12 2:00 Self-backup	13 2:00 Self-backup
14 2:00 Self-backup	15 2:00 Self-backup	16 2:00 Self-backup	17 2:00 Self-backup	18 2:00 Self-backup	19 2:00 Self-backup 11:00 Main Repo self-heal 3	20 2:00 Self-backup
21 2:00 Self-backup 11:22 Microsoft 365 ba... 11:24 Microsoft 365 ba...	22 2:00 Self-backup	23 2:00 Self-backup	24 2:00 Self-backup	25 2:00 Self-backup 17:02 Physical machine...	26 2:00 Self-backup 11:00 Main Repo self-heal	27 2:00 Self-backup
28 2:00 Self-backup	29 2:00 Self-backup 17:44 Self-backup 17:51 Self-backup	30 2:00 Self-backup	31 2:00 Self-backup	1 2:00 Self-backup 18:43 Self-backup 18:44 Self-backup 18:44 Self-backup	2 2:00 Self-backup 2 11:00 Main Repo self-heal	3 2:00 Self-backup 6 16:00 Hyper-V backup job

Creating Jobs with Calendar

To create a job:

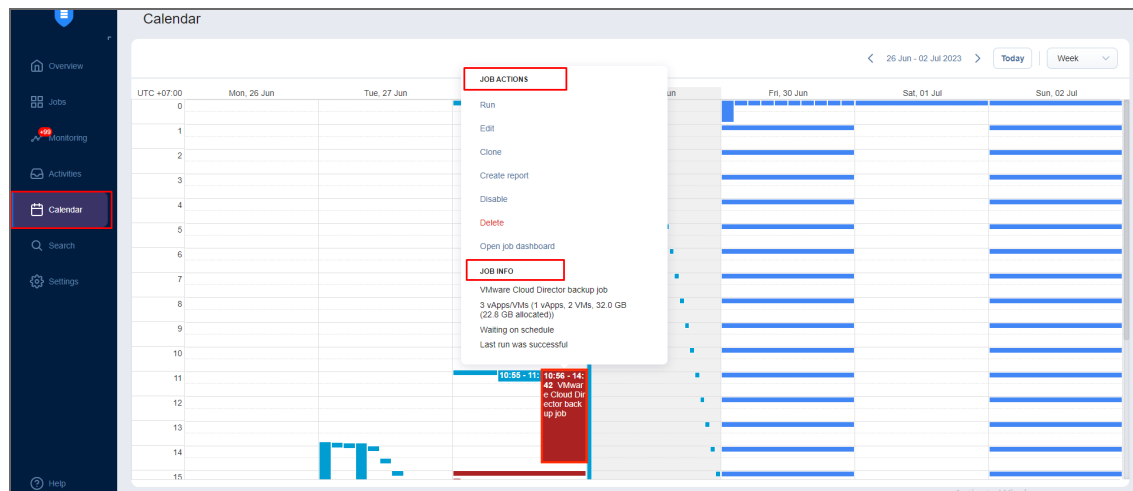
1. Click on the date and time when you'd like to run the job
2. Select the type of job you need.
3. On the **Schedule** page of the wizard, the time you've selected in the **Calendar** will be selected.

Editing Jobs with Calendar

If you click on the job title on the Calendar dashboard, the **Job Actions** menu will appear.

Using this menu, you can:

- Run a job on demand.
- Edit a job.
- Clone a job.
- Delete a job. If the job repeats on schedule, this action will affect all job runs.
- Disable/Enable a job. If the job repeats on schedule, this action will affect all job runs.
- Open the Job Dashboard.
- Create a report.



Using Global Search

Using the **Global Search** dashboard, search for items within the entire inventory of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, Transporters, Backup Repositories, jobs, backups, and replicas.

- [Opening Global Search](#)
- [Running Global Search](#)
- [Filtering Search Results](#)
- [Applying Bulk Action](#)
- [“Searching Indexed Files” on page 350](#)
- [Viewing Object Info](#)
- [Viewing Group Info](#)

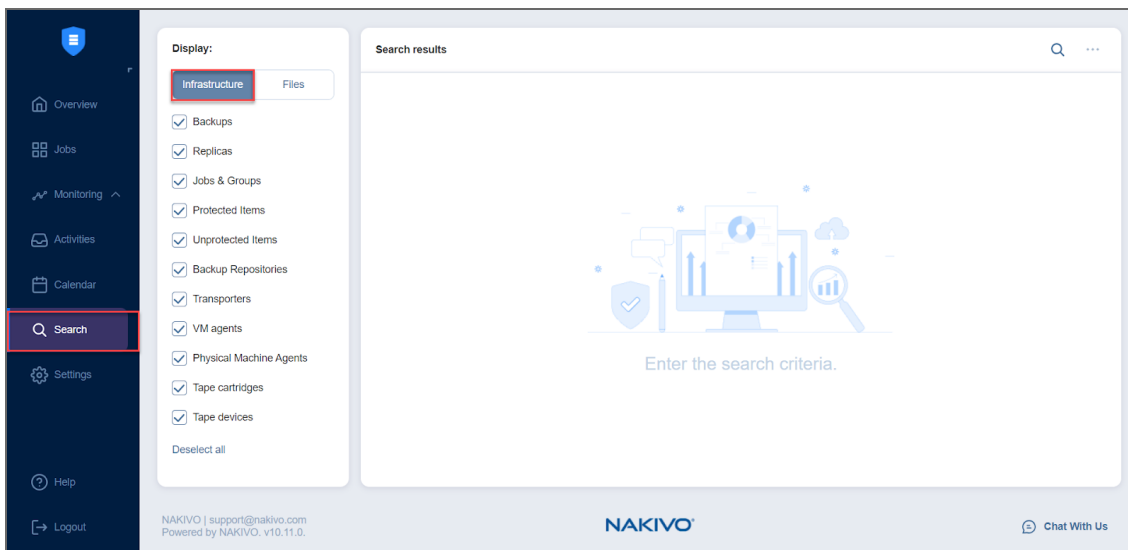
Note

When the multi-tenant mode is enabled, **Global Search** will operate within a specific tenant. For more information about multi-tenancy in NAKIVO Backup & Replication, please consult with the following resources:

- [“Multi-Tenant Deployment” on page 121](#)
- [“Multi-Tenancy” on page 95](#)
- [“Multi-Tenant Mode” on page 1080](#)

Opening Global Search

To open **Global Search**, click the **Search** icon in the main toolbar of the application. The **Global Search** dashboard opens with the **Infrastructure** tab selected by default.



Running Global Search

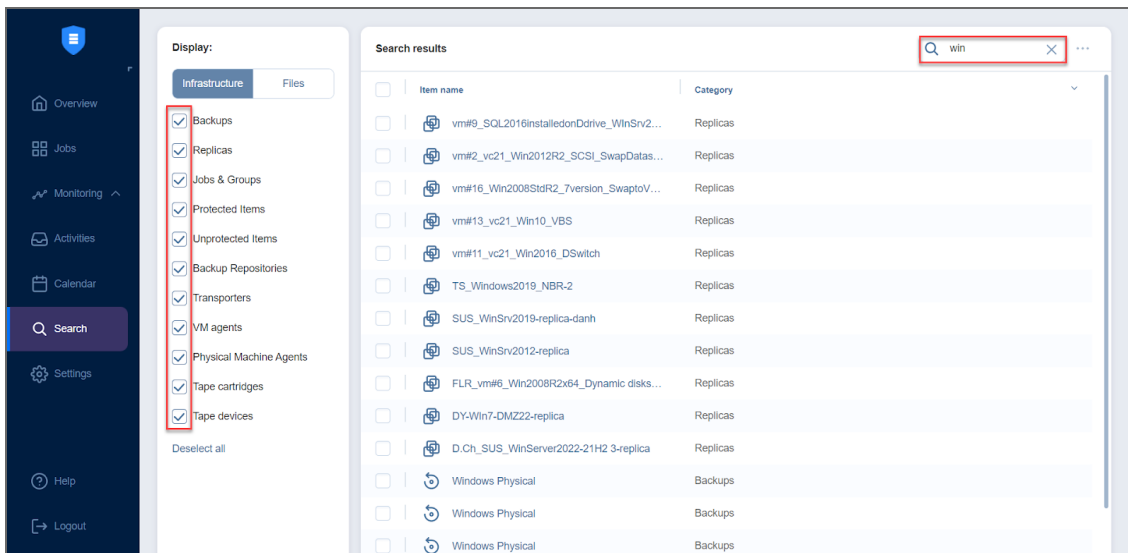
Click the **Search** button and enter your search string into the search box. The search results are immediately returned in the form of a list.

By default, your search results are non-filtered. This means that the search is applied to all categories of NAKIVO Backup & Replication objects that are enabled by default.

Note

To fine-tune search results, you can use the following wildcards:

- "?" representing a single character.
- "*" representing zero or more characters.



Please note the following:

- Search is case insensitive.
- Search results are grouped by categories.

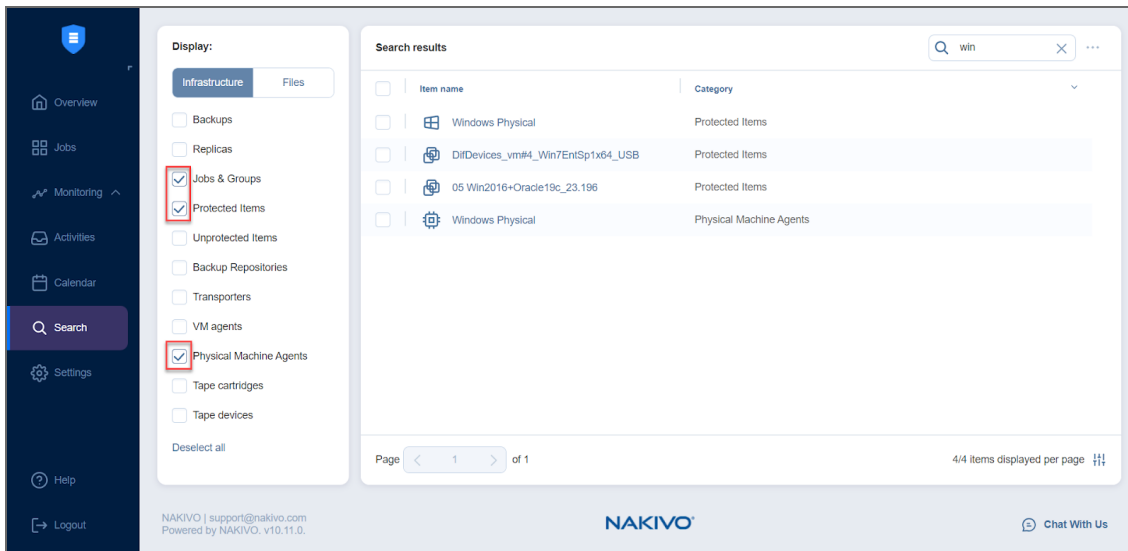
Filtering Search Results

To narrow your search results, you can deselect some of the categories listed in the Infrastructure tab:

- Backups
- Replicas
- Jobs & Groups
- Protected Items
- Unprotected Items
- Backup Repositories
- Transporters
- VM agents

- Physical Machine Agents
- Tape cartridges
- Tape devices

The filtered search results are displayed immediately as the search results list.



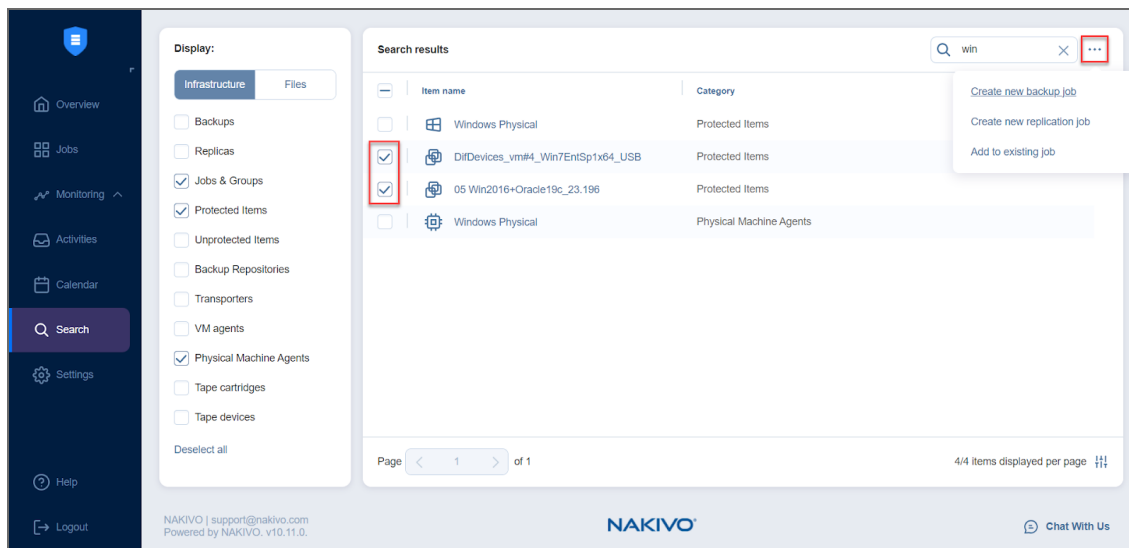
To get back to the default filtering settings, first click **Deselect all** and then **Select all** below the categories list.

Applying Bulk Action

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication Global Search, you can apply a bulk action to objects belonging to the same category and of the same type.

Proceed as follows to apply a bulk action:

1. In the search result list, select similar objects.
2. The **Bulk Action** button becomes active in the upper right corner of the dialog. Click **Bulk Action**.



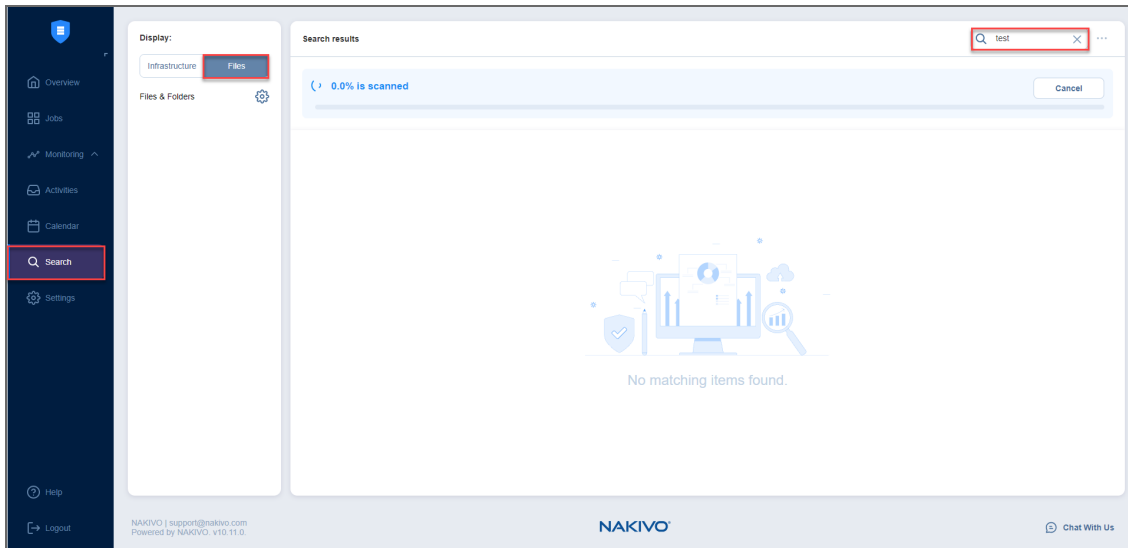
3. A dialog opens with the list of actions applicable to the selected items. To proceed with the necessary action, click the corresponding item in the list of actions.

Note

Bulk actions are not applicable to NAKIVO Backup & Replication dissimilar objects.

Searching Indexed Files

To search for a file or folder, switch to the **Files** tab. Click the **Search** button and enter your search string into the search box.

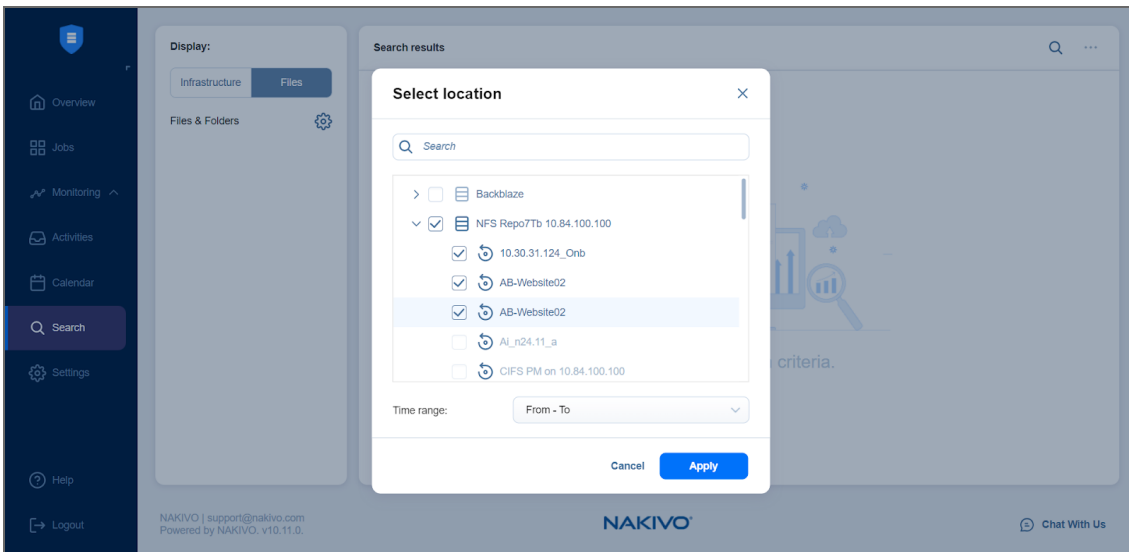


The **Search results** pane displays a progress bar (displayed when scanning is enabled only) and the results of the search.

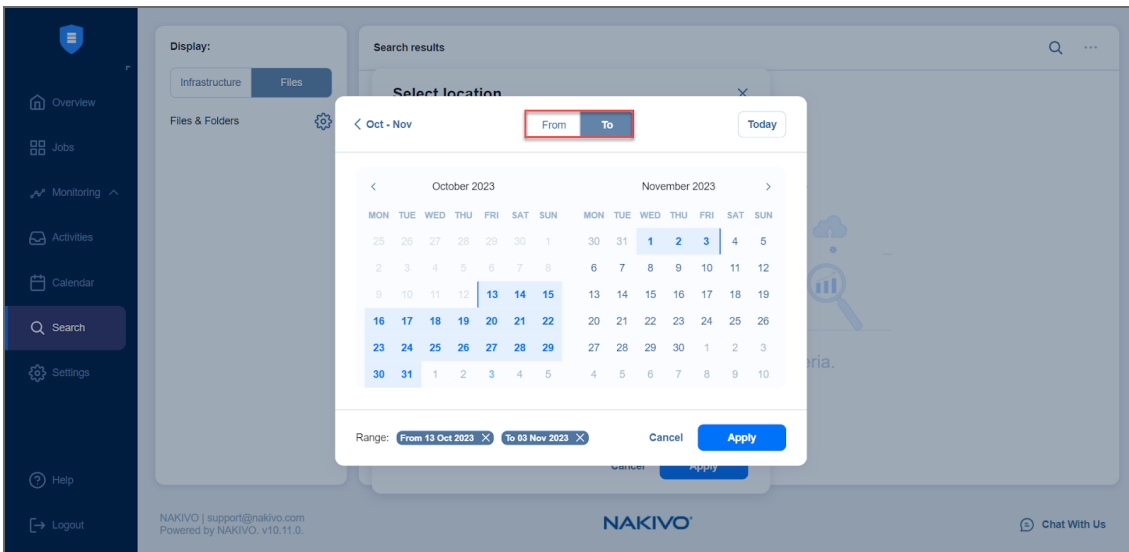
Note

You must enable **File System Indexing** for VMware vSphere and Microsoft Hyper-V backup jobs to allow the search for specific files and folders inside a VM backup.

You can also narrow your search results in the **Files** tab. To do that, click the gear icon next to **Files & Folders** to open the **Select location** popup.



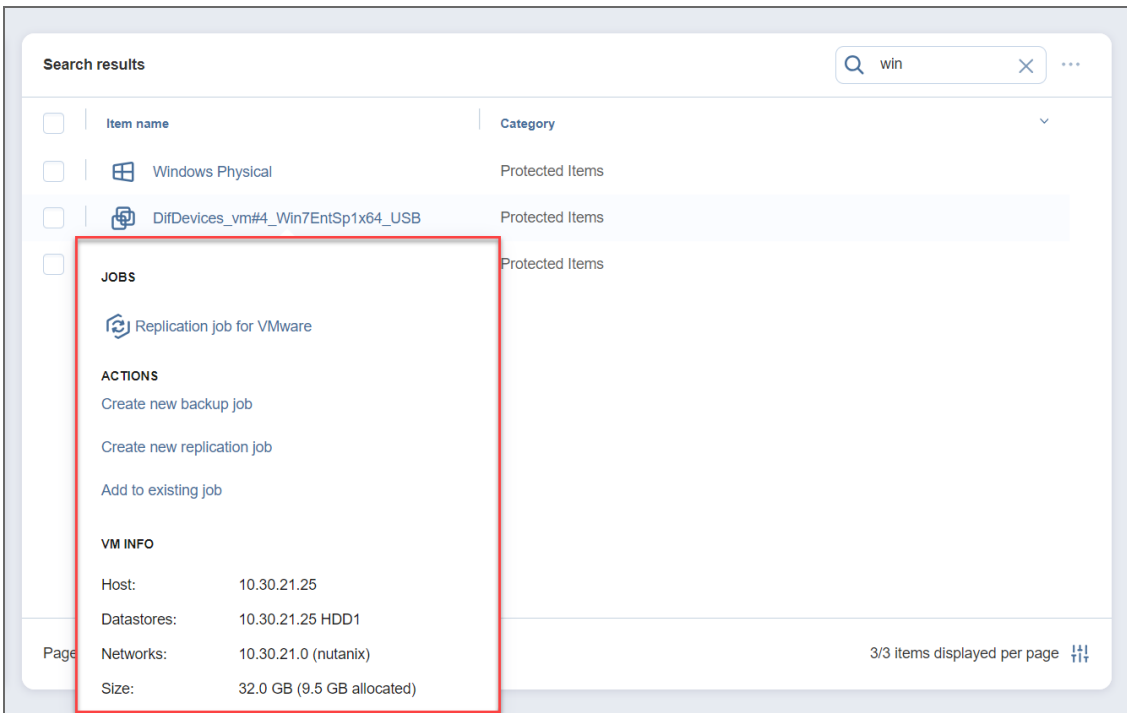
Open the date picker dropdown and set the needed search range by navigating between the **From** and **To** panes.



Click **Apply** to filter the search results.

Viewing Object Info

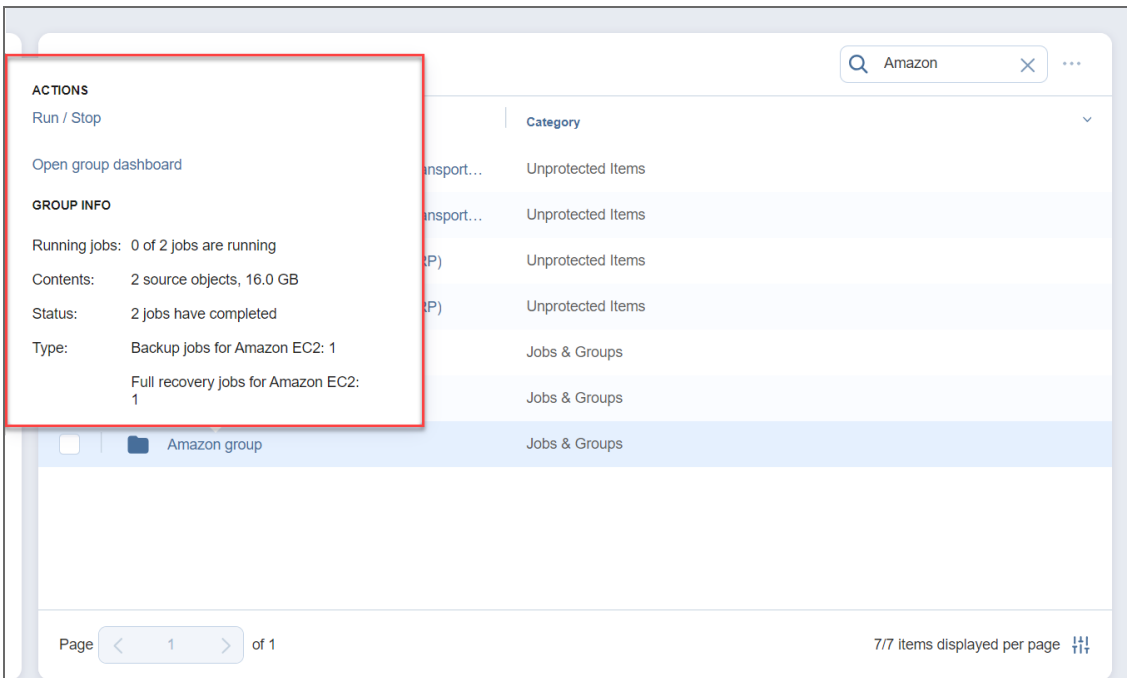
To view info on a specific object available in the search result, select the object.



A dialog opens displaying object info, along with the list of typical actions applicable to the object.

Viewing Group Info

To view information about a specific group available in the search result, select the group.



A dialog opens displaying group info, along with the list of typical actions applicable to it.

Settings

This section covers the following topics:

- [“General” on page 354](#)
- [“Inventory” on page 438](#)
- [“Nodes” on page 484](#)
- [“Backup Repositories” on page 527](#)
- [“Tape” on page 607](#)
- [“Expert Mode” on page 641](#)
- [“Virtual Appliance Configuration” on page 664](#)
- [“Multi-Tenant Mode Configuration” on page 668](#)
- [“Support Bundles” on page 678](#)
- [“Built-in Support Chat” on page 680](#)

General

This section contains the following topics:

- [“Bandwidth Throttling” on page 355](#)
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Bandwidth Throttling

With bandwidth throttling settings, you can control the throughput of the data processing by setting specific limits for all or for separate jobs. Bandwidth throttling is managed with bandwidth rules. When a bandwidth rule is applied to your job, the speed of data transfer from source to target will not exceed the specified limit.

To use bandwidth throttling, make sure the following requirements are met:

- At least one bandwidth rule is created.
- At least one source and target endpoint exist.
 - Hypervisor host, **Transporter**, or **Backup Repository** act as a source or target endpoint.
 - The current job object data transfer falls into the bandwidth rule.
- At least one **JODT** exists.

Note

Source Endpoint - an endpoint that sends data.

Target Endpoint - an endpoint that receives data.

Job Object Data Transfer (JODT) is a step of a single job object processing which transfers data of the job object from the source endpoint to the target endpoint.

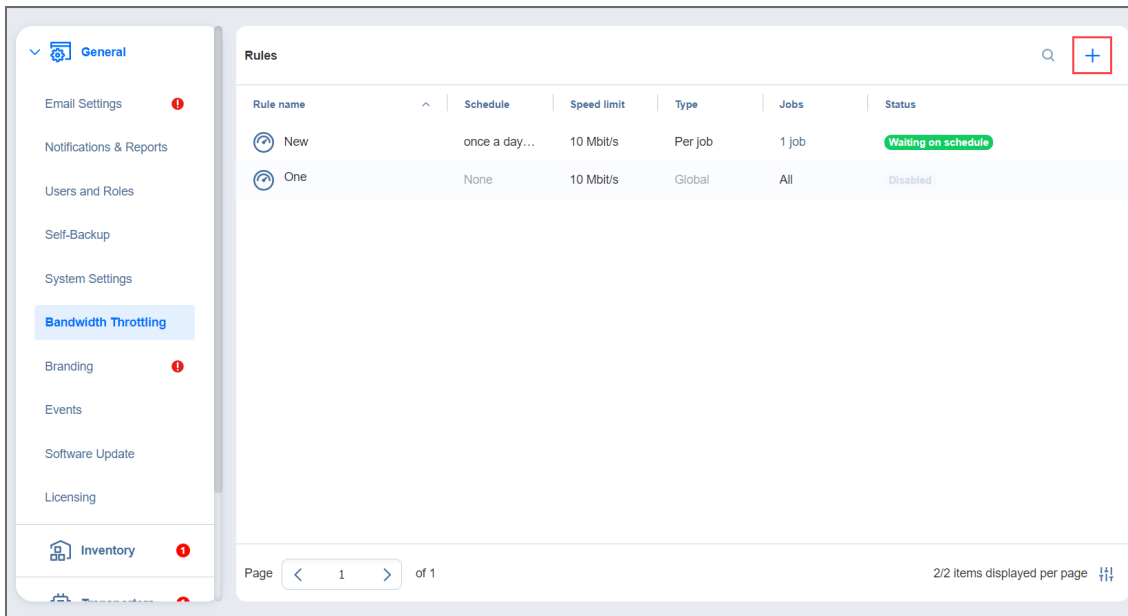
This topic contains the following instructions:

- [Accessing Bandwidth Throttling Settings](#)
- [Creating Bandwidth Rules](#)
- [Managing Bandwidth Rules](#)

Accessing Bandwidth Throttling Settings

To access bandwidth throttling settings, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the application to open the **Settings** dashboard.
2. In the **General** tab of the **Settings** dashboard, click **Bandwidth Throttling**. The *Bandwidth Throttling* section opens.



Creating Bandwidth Rules

Please follow the steps below to create a bandwidth rule:

1. In the *Bandwidth Throttling* section of the **General** tab of **Settings**, click the “+” icon.
2. The **New Bandwidth Rule** wizard opens. Proceed as follows:
 - a. Choose a type for your bandwidth rule and click **Next**:
 - **GLOBAL**: The rule will be applied to all applicable jobs.
 - **PER-JOB**: The rule will be applied to the selected jobs.

Note

When applied to specific jobs, **Per-Job** bandwidth rules have higher priority over **Global** bandwidth rules.

- b. **Job**: Choose a job to apply to the **Per-Job** bandwidth rule. Click **Next**.
- c. **Settings**: Configure the following settings:
 - a. **Name**: Enter a name for your bandwidth rule.
 - b. **Throttle bandwidth to**: Enter the value of the bandwidth limit; and choose the measurement unit: Mbit/s or Gbit/s.

Notes

- For your convenience, a description is available below the value you've entered, explaining what the value means.
- In some cases, the actual data transfer speed may exceed the limit you set by up to 0.3 MByte/s or 2.4 Mbit/s.

c. **Rule schedule:** Choose either of the following:

- **Always active:** The rule will always be active.
- **Active on schedule:** The rule will be active on schedule. When chosen, the following options are available:
 - a. **Starting at and ending at:** Enter the time, in hours and minutes, when the rule will be active.
 - b. **Days:** Select weekdays for which the rule will be active.
 - c. **Time Zone:** Choose a time zone of your rule.
- **Disabled:** The rule will be disabled.

3. Click **Finish**.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Bandwidth Rule' dialog box. On the left, there is a sidebar with two options: 'Type' (selected with a checkmark) and 'Settings' (indicated by a blue '2'). The main content area is titled 'Create Bandwidth Rule' and contains the following fields and controls:

- Name:** A text input field containing 'New'.
- Throttle bandwidth to:** A control with a minus sign, the number '10', a plus sign, and a dropdown menu set to 'Mbit/s'. Below it, a note states: 'Equals 1.25 MB/s or 14 minutes to transfer 1GB of data'.
- Rule schedule:** A dropdown menu set to 'Active on schedule'.
- Starting at:** A time selection control showing '2' for hours and '2' for minutes.
- Ending at:** A checked checkbox followed by a time selection control showing '6' for hours and '7' for minutes.
- Days:** A row of buttons for days of the week: MO, TU, WE (highlighted in blue), TH, FR, SA, SU.
- Every:** A control with a minus sign, the number '1', a plus sign, and the text 'weeks'.
- Time Zone:** A dropdown menu showing '(UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European ...'.

At the bottom of the dialog, there are three buttons: 'Previous' (disabled), 'Cancel', and 'Finish' (highlighted in blue).

Refer to [“Advanced Bandwidth Throttling” on page 59](#) for more details about bandwidth rules.

Note

When set, the bandwidth rule will only limit the bandwidth itself and will not affect the number of VMs processed at the same time.

Managing Bandwidth Rules

You can search for the specific rule by clicking the **magnifying glass** icon in the upper-right part of the screen and entering the name in the search box.

Click on the **ellipsis** to the right of the rule’s name to manage bandwidth rules with the following commands:

- **Edit:** The **Edit Bandwidth Rule** dialog opens where you can modify your rule.
- **Disable/Enable:** When applied, the command will disable/enable the rule.
- **Delete:** When applied, a dialog will open asking you to confirm the operation. Click **Delete** to confirm that you wish to delete your rule.

Note

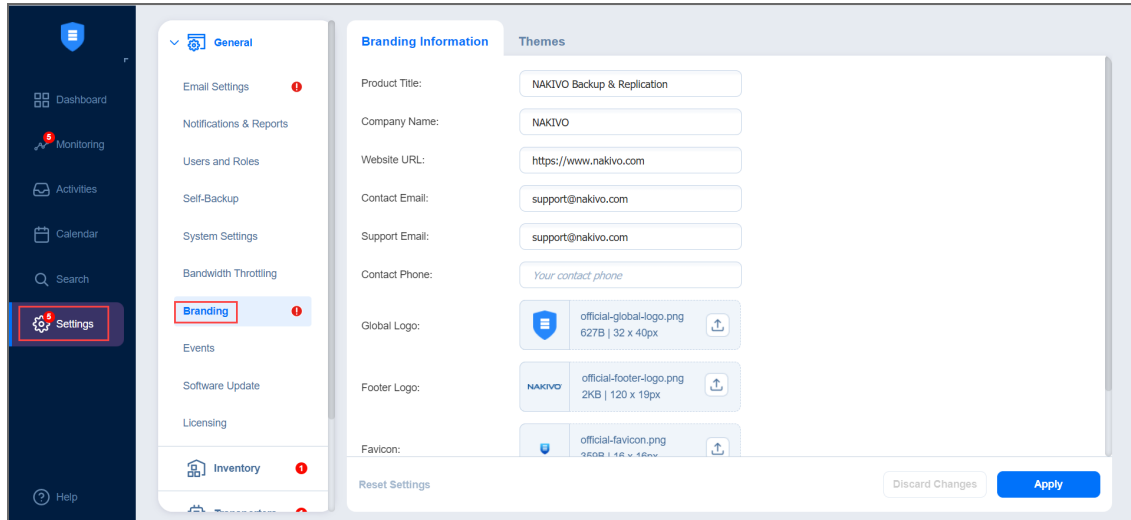
Per-Job bandwidth rules can also be created/managed on the **Options** page of the wizard during creating/editing the corresponding jobs. Please refer to the topics:

- [“Creating VMware Backup Jobs” on page 688](#)
- [“Creating Backup Copy Jobs” on page 725](#)
- [“Creating VMware Replication Jobs” on page 786](#)
- [“VMware VM Recovery” on page 899](#)

Branding

You can change the product branding settings such as product name, logo, background, and so on. To configure these product settings, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
2. Go to the **General** tab and click **Branding**.



3. Change the following, as appropriate:

- **Product title**
- **Company name**
- **Website URL**
- **Contact email**
- **Support email**
- **Contact phone**
- **Page background**
- **Global logo**
- **Footer logo**
- **Favicon**

4. On the **Themes** tab, you can configure the colors of your NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance.
5. After making the necessary changes, click **Apply**. Alternatively, click **Discard Changes** to discard any changes you have made.
6. Optionally, click **Reset Settings** to return all the settings to their default values.

During upload, the logo and bookmark icon images are internally resized while preserving the aspect ratio. The background image is used as it is. To get the best image quality, follow the recommendations below.

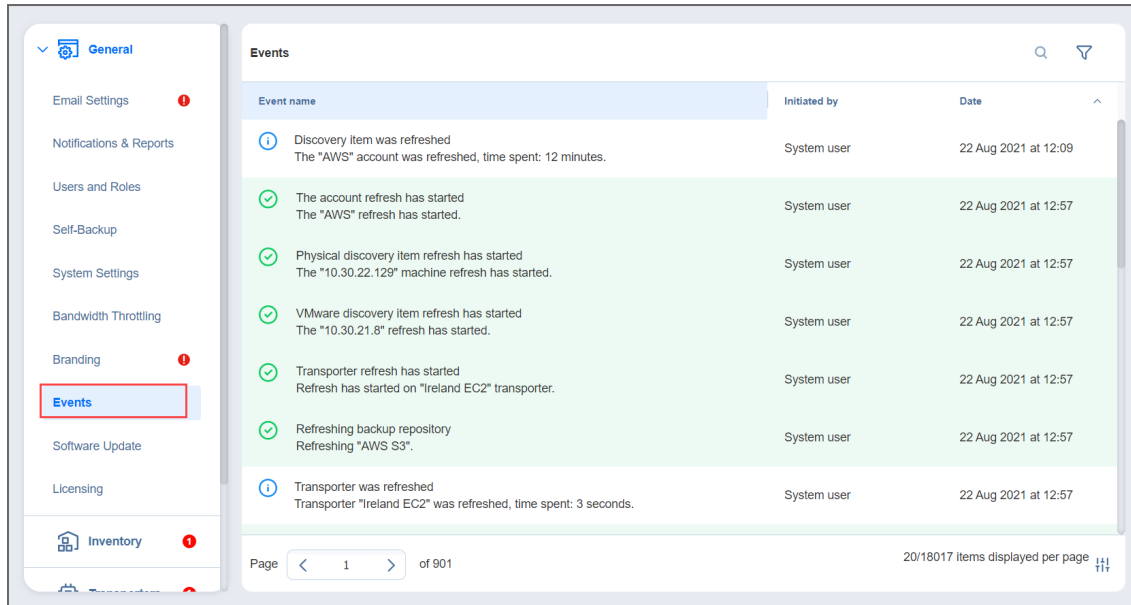
Image	Best format	Best resolution
Global logo	.png	32x40
Footer logo	.png	32x40
Favicon	.png	16x16

Configuring Events

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can store and display system events. By default, events are stored for 60 days; you can [change the time period](#) in **Settings**.

To view events, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
2. Open the **General** tab and click **Events**. The **Events** page opens, displaying the NAKIVO Backup & Replication system events.



3. Optionally, you can enter a search string to the **Search** box. This allows you to see events related only to NAKIVO Backup & Replication items – **Transporters**, repositories, jobs, backups, and replicas, – contained in your search string.
4. Optionally, you can select filter the events by the following parameters:
 - **Initiated by:** Select one of the users of the product in the dropdown
 - **Event type:** Choose among the following event types:
 - Info
 - Warning
 - Error
 - Debug
 - **Date:** After selecting this parameter, choose the start and end dates. This allows you to limit the events list within a specific time period.

Database Options

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to migrate the internal H2 database used by the NAKIVO Backup & Replication Director to an external database. To do that, take the following steps:

Important

- If you migrate the internal H2 database to an external database, you will not be able to switch back to the internal database or an external database of the same type later.
- For multi-tenant mode, only the Master Admin can perform database migration. The functionality is not available for the local tenant. The remote tenant can still perform database migration as described below if they log in as single tenant into NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
- The migration occurs for all local tenants at the same time. If the migration fails for one of the tenants, the product reverts to the previous database type automatically.

1. Go to **Settings > General > Database Options**.
2. Select the external database from the list of supported platforms in the **Type** drop-down list. Note that the internal database is selected by default.
3. In the **Host** field, enter the hostname or IP of the server housing the database.
4. In the **Port** field, enter the relevant port number.
5. Enter the name for your database in the **Database name** field.
6. Enter **Username** and **Password** in the corresponding fields.
7. Click **Test Connection**.
8. If the test is successful, click **Apply Settings**:
 - If the database does not exist, a dialog box appears asking if you would like to create one and proceed with the migration. Click **Migrate**.
 - If the database belongs to the current NAKIVO Backup & Replication installation, a dialog box appears asking if you would like to update the settings of the existing database. Click **Update** to proceed.
 - If the database already exists and is compatible with the current NAKIVO Backup & Replication installation, a dialog box appears asking if you would like to use it, cleanup all its records and replace the contents of the database with the new data. Click **Proceed**.

General

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- Users & Roles
- Self-Backup
- Database Options**
- System Settings
- Bandwidth Throttling
- Branding
- Events
- Software Update
- Licensing

Inventory

Database Options

Type: PostgreSQL

Host: localhost

Port: 23

Database name: New Database

Username: admin

Password: [masked]

Test Connection

Notes

- If you have the [Self-Backup](#) feature enabled, the self-backup process starts before the database switch and runs again after the switch is completed.
- Self-backup of an external database is possible only with a single-tenant instance of the solution.
- If the external database is installed on another VM or is using an IP address instead of *localhost*, take the following steps before migration:
 1. Open the *pg_hba.conf* file located in the external database installation folder.
 2. Change **IPv4 local connections** settings *from 127.0.0.1/32 to 0.0.0.0/0*.
 3. Save changes.
 4. Restart external database service.
- If the connection between PostgreSQL and NAKIVO Backup & Replication cannot be established, add the following string to the *pg_hba.conf* file:
host DATABASE USER ADDRESS METHOD [OPTIONS]
host all all 0.0.0.0/0 md5
Note that method (md5) may be different for some versions of PostgreSQL. Check the respective method for your version of PostgreSQL before applying the changes.
- If Master Tenant connects to existing database that already houses the data from previous migrations, such database is automatically mapped to the tenants during the new migration using the database UUID.
- It is not possible to recover from a self-backup and system migration in the following cases:
 - The NAKIVO Backup & Replication installation uses the H2 database while the self-backup contains data from an external database.
 - The NAKIVO Backup & Replication installation uses an external database while the self-backup contains data from the H2 database.
- It is not possible to edit the external database **Host**, **Port**, and **Database name** after a successful migration.
- If the internal database is used, the product checks the performance capability adequacy of this database to the current product workload:
 - This check is performed every 10 days by default.
 - If the total number of protected workloads for single tenant or per tenant for Multi-Tenant mode exceeds the limit of 100 VMs/instances/physical machines/oracle databases, the product displays the notification with recommendation to switch to the external database.

Email Settings

On this page, you can configure your email settings. Do this by following the steps below:

- Log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
- Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
- Go to the **General** tab.
- Click **Email Settings** to configure email settings on the page that opens.

The screenshot shows the 'Email Settings' configuration page. The left sidebar is under the 'General' tab, with 'Email Settings' selected. The main content area has the following fields:

- SMTP server:
- SMTP username (optional):
- SMTP password (optional):
- SMTP port:
- Encryption:
- From:
- To:

At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Reset Settings', 'Discard Changes', and 'Apply'.

Important

If you use an email with two-factor authentication, grant access permissions to NAKIVO Backup & Replication via your account security settings and generate a unique password. When configuring email setting of the product, enter this password in the **SMTP password** box. As an example, use instructions for Google accounts provided in the [“Using Email with Two-Factor Authentication”](#) on the next page section below.

1. To set email settings, fill out the fields in the Email settings section:

- **SMTP server:** The address of the server responsible for sending emails.
- **SMTP username:** The username on the server (usually the same as the email username).
- **SMTP password:** Usually the same as the password to your email.
- **SMTP port:** Depends on encryption type.
- **Encryption:** Select the type of encryption:
 - **None:** Always use a plaintext connection. Not recommended.
 - **TLS, if possible:** Start with plaintext, then use STARTTLS to switch to secure connection if supported by the server.

- **TLS, required:** Start with plaintext, then use `STARTTLS` to switch to secure connection; drop the connection if not supported by the server.
- **SSL, required:** Use the SSL-encrypted connection.
- **From:** Specify the sender email address
- **To:** Specify the receiver email address

Click **Send Test Email** to verify that the settings are correct.

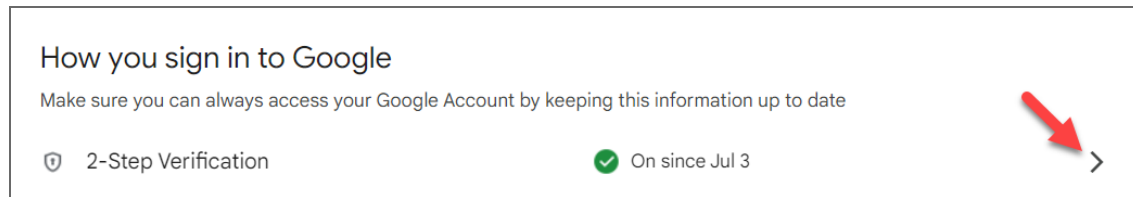
2. Click **Apply** to save the settings.
3. Alternatively, click **Discard Changes** to discard any changes you have made to the email configuration.
4. Optionally, click **Reset Settings** to return all the settings to their default values.

Using Email with Two-Factor Authentication

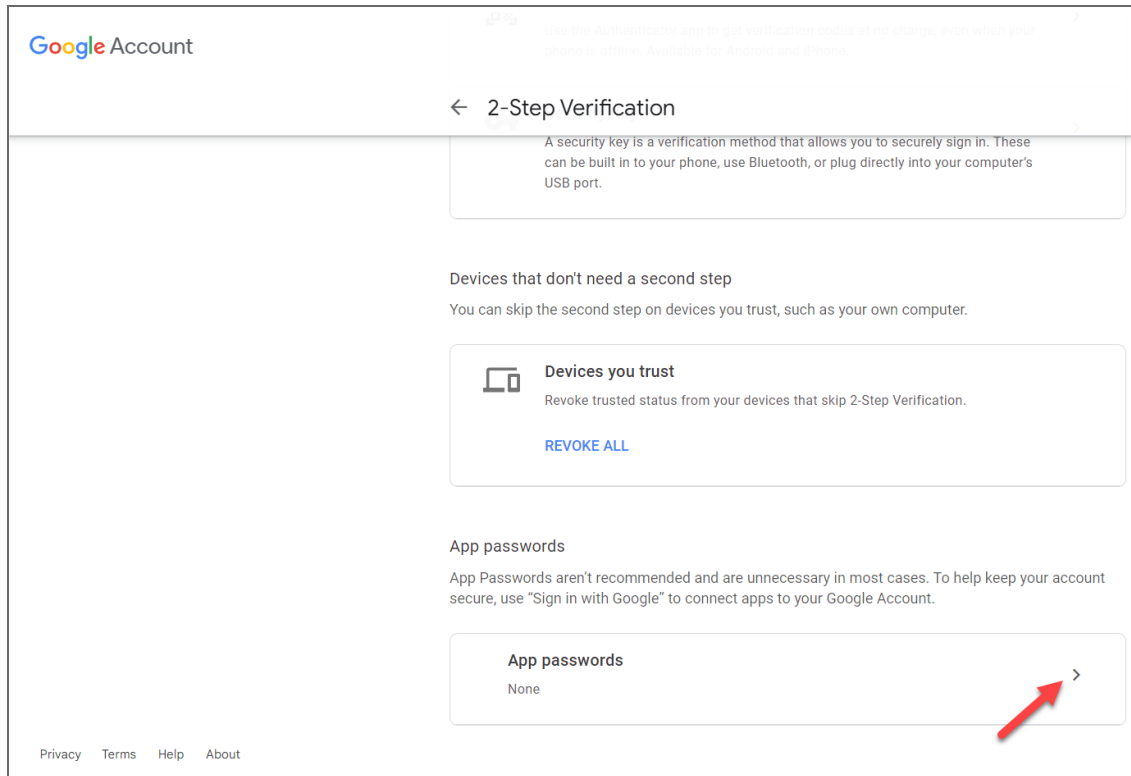
Many email providers require that the third-party apps or devices use two-factor authentication to sign into their accounts. Therefore, for correct email notification setup, you must grant access permissions to NAKIVO Backup & Replication via your account security settings and generate a unique **SMTP password**.

As an example, you can follow the instructions for setting up a [Gmail](#) account notifications below:

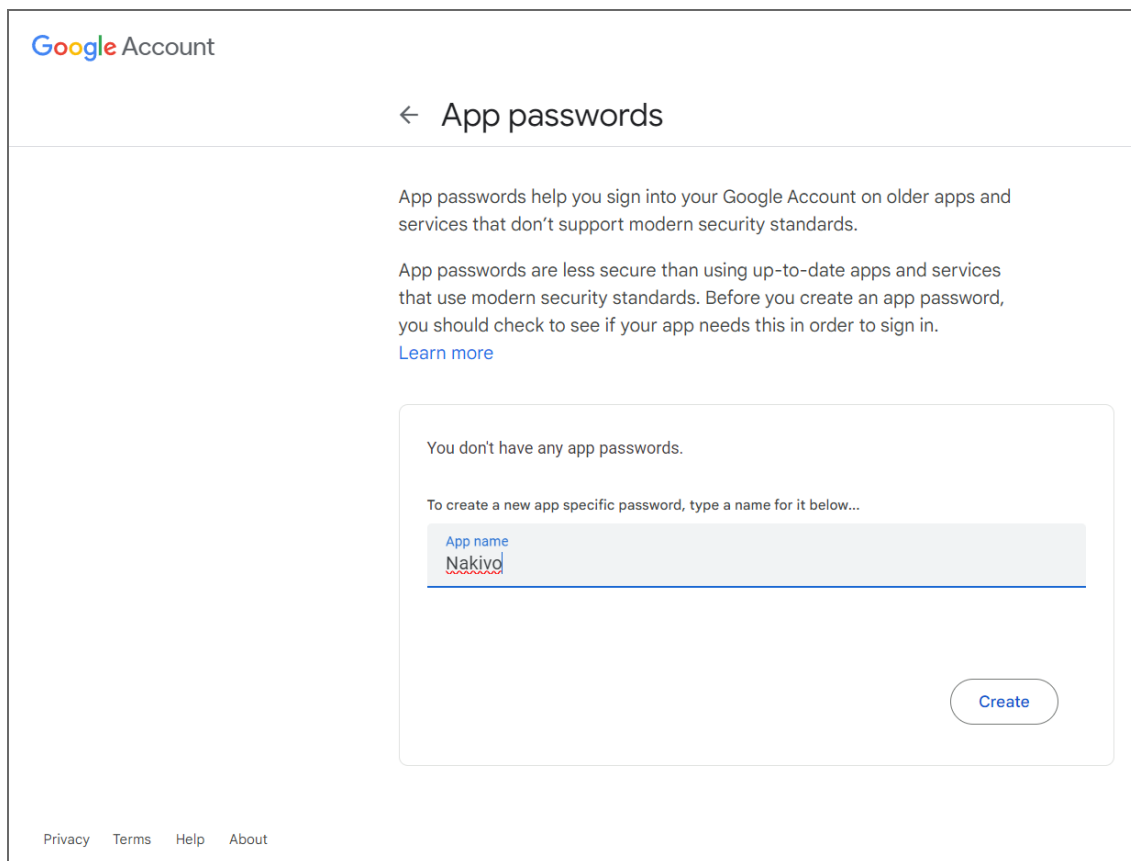
1. Log into your [Google account](#) and allow 2-step verification (you will be asked to complete a second step to verify it's you when you sign in):



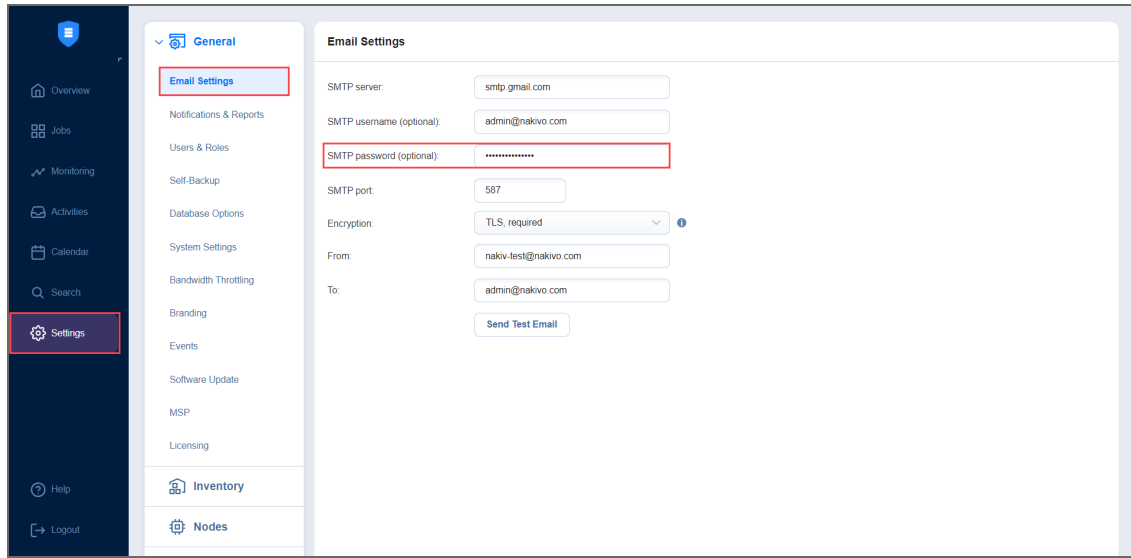
2. Scroll down to the *App passwords* section and click the arrow button to proceed with the password.



3. Type your app name and click **Create** to generate the password.



4. Now, copy the generated password and paste it into the **SMTP password** field in the **Settings > General > Email Settings** tab.

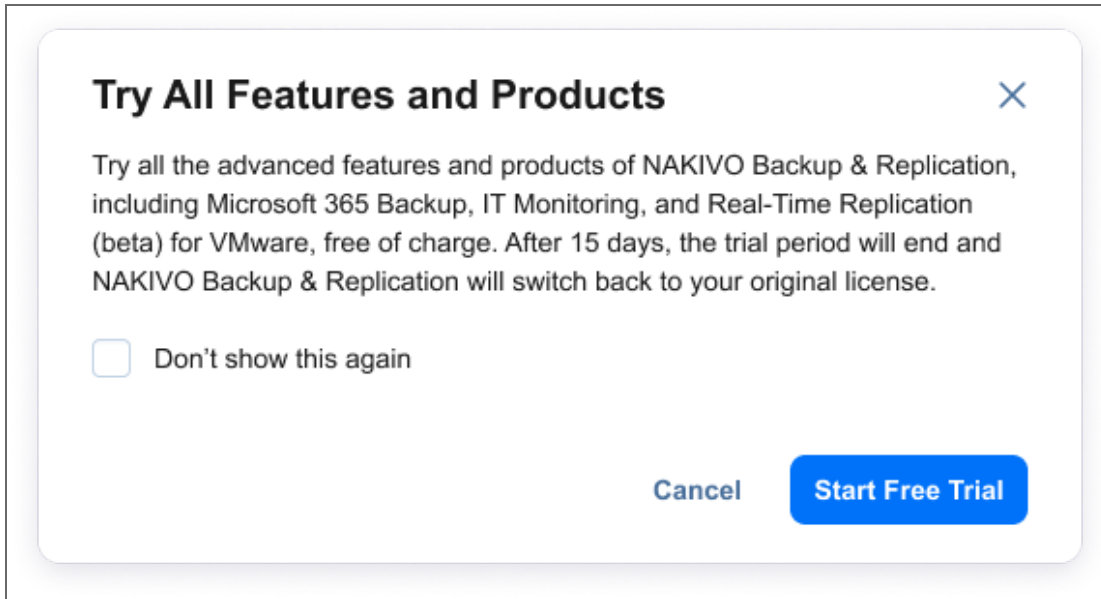


Licensing

To check your license details, follow these steps:

1. Go to the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication and click **Settings > General**.
2. Go to the **Licensing** tab to see license details.

Optionally, you can click the **Try All Features and Products** button to enable all Enterprise Plus license features for 15 days. After this time period ends, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically switches back to your original license.



Notes

The button is not displayed in the following cases:

- You are using NAKIVO Backup & Replication as a tenant in Multi-tenant mode.
- You are using one of the following license editions:
 - Free
 - Trial
 - Beta
 - Promo
 - Enterprise Plus
 - MSP Enterprise Plus

In the **License Information** section, you can find detailed license information, including:

- **Type:** Type of the license
- **Edition:** Edition of the license

- **Serial number:** Serial number of the license
- **License expiration date:** Date when the the license expires

In the **Perpetual licensing section**, you can see the following information:

- Number of licensed and used CPU sockets
- Number of licensed and used VMs
- Number of licensed and used physical servers
- Number of licensed and used physical workstations
- Number of licensed and used EC2 instances
- Number of licensed and used Oracle databases

In the **Per-workload subscription licensing** section, you can see the following information:

- Number of licensed and used workloads
- Subscription end date

In the **Microsoft 365 subscription licensing** section, you can see the following information:

- Number of licensed and used Microsoft 365 users
- Subscription end date

If you are logged in as a tenant in multi-tenant mode, the following information is displayed in the **Obtain more licenses** section:

- **Email address** of the master tenant
- **Contact phone** of the master tenant
- **Company website** of the master tenant

To change your license, follow the steps below:

1. Go to the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication and click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Licensing** tab and click **Change License**.
3. Locate and open the license file in the window that appears.

License information

Type:	Trial	
Edition:	Enterprise Plus	
Serial number:	4E2C6173-83A3-4E15-8352	
License expiration date:	2016-12-26 (in 9 days)	

i Below you can see the number of items used under different licensing models.

Perpetual licensing

Sockets:	X out of <i>unlimited</i> used	i
Physical servers:	X out of <i>unlimited</i> used	i
Physical workstations:	X out of <i>unlimited</i> used	i
Oracle databases:	X out of <i>unlimited</i> used	i

Per-workload subscription licensing

Workloads:	X out of <i>unlimited</i> used	i
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Microsoft 365 subscription licensing

Microsoft 365 users	X out of <i>unlimited</i> used	
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Upgrading from Free License

If your license type is **Free** and the **Trial** license has not yet been applied to your deployment of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can try the full functionality of the solution for 15 days. To do that:

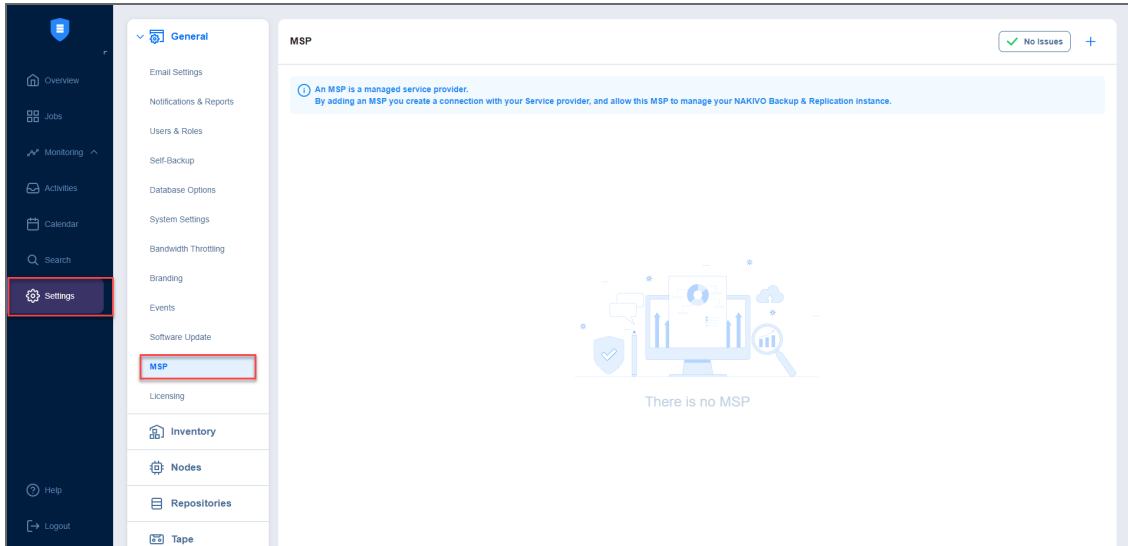
1. Open the **Help Menu**.
2. Select the **Try full functionality** option. A new popup window appears.
3. Click **Start Free Trial**.

Note

Once the **Trial** license expires, the product automatically switches back to the **Free** license.

MSP

To use the **MSP Console** feature as a tenant, you will first need to link your instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication to a managed service provider (MSP), allowing the MSP to manage your instance. To do so, you should first add and configure the MSP details on the **MSP** page in **Settings**. These details can be provided by the MSP after [Remote Tenant Configuration](#).



On the **MSP** page, you can add and remove connections to an MSP. Establishing a connection to an MSP as a remote tenant allows them to monitor and manage your instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication. See the topics below for more information:

- [“Adding an MSP” below](#)
- [“Managing an MSP Connection” on page 374](#)

Adding an MSP

To add an MSP to which you would like to link your instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you need the Master Tenant’s hostname or IP address, port number, and the remote tenant credentials they have generated for you. Once you have the above information, follow the steps below:

1. From the **MSP** menu, click the **Add** button in the top right corner.
2. Fill in the **Hostname or IP**, **Port**, **Username**, and **Password** fields based on the information provided by your Master Tenant.

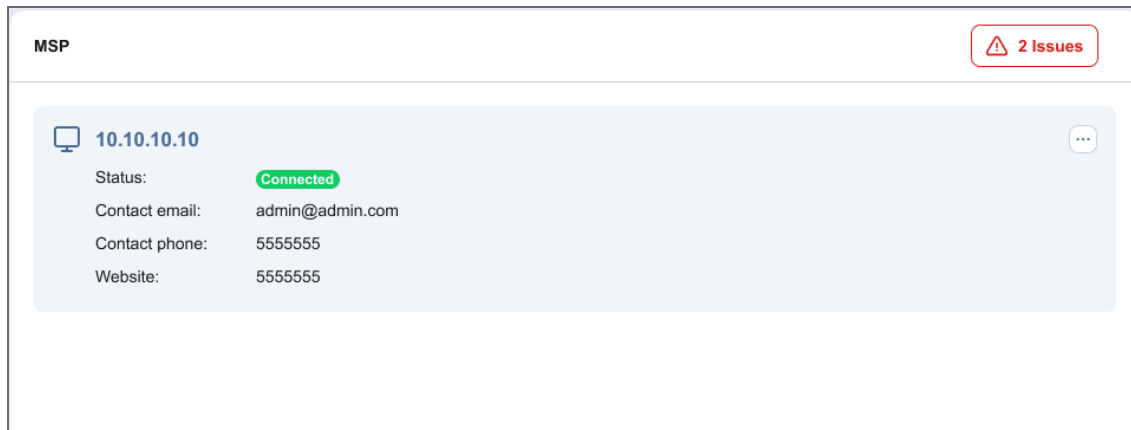


3. Click **Apply**. The following screen will display the MSP's certificate details.

Note

- Your version of NAKIVO Backup & Replication must be the same as the MSP's version. Otherwise, you will not be able to use the **MSP Console** feature with the given MSP.
- The MSP uses a separate listening port for communication with a remote tenant's instance (port 6702 is used by default). If the MSP changes the listening port used, the connection may be interrupted. For more information on required TCP ports, see the **MSP Console** section in "[Feature Requirements](#)" on page 167.

4. Read through the MSP's certificate details and click **Accept**.
5. The added MSP should now appear in your **MSP** menu.



Once the MSP is added, you will have successfully established a connection with the Master Tenant as a remote tenant. This allows the Master Tenant to access your instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication as long as the connection is active.

Managing an MSP Connection

There are several options available for managing an established connection to an MSP. See the sections below for more information on managing your **MSP Console** connection.

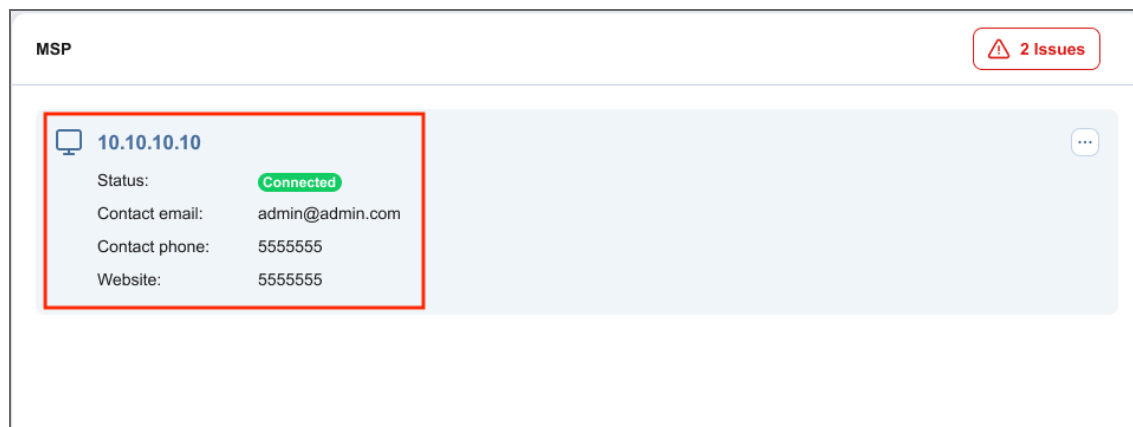
- [Viewing MSP Details](#)
- [Disconnecting/Reconnecting an MSP](#)
- [Deleting an MSP](#)

Viewing MSP Details

The MSP block in the **MSP** menu contains the following information:

- **Hostname or IP:** The hostname or IP address of the Master Tenant.
- **Connection status:** Current status of your connection to the MSP.
 - **Connected:** Your NAKIVO Backup & Replication is connected to the MSP
 - **Disconnected:** Your NAKIVO Backup & Replication is disconnected from the MSP
 - **Connecting:** Your NAKIVO Backup & Replication is actively trying to establish a connection to the MSP
- **Contact information:** The Master Tenant's email address, phone number, and website, updated

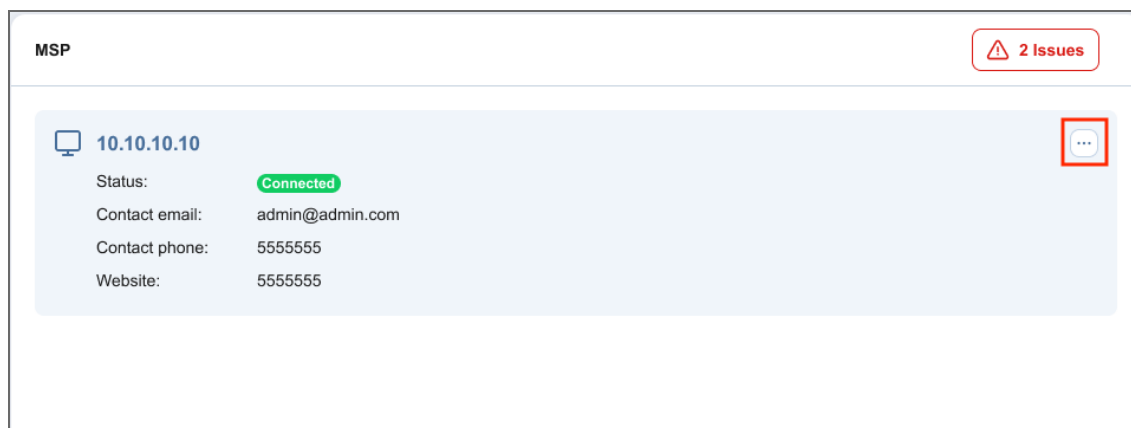
automatically.



Disconnecting/Reconnecting an MSP

To disconnect your instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication from an MSP, click the ellipsis **Manage** button in the top right corner of the MSP block. In the popup, click **Disconnect**. This will suspend the connection to the MSP until resumed.

To reconnect to the MSP, simply click the ellipsis **Manage** button in the top right corner of the MSP block and click **Connect** in the popup. You will not be asked to provide the same details you did when first connecting to the MSP unless the MSP has changed their certificate or your remote tenant credentials.



Deleting an MSP

To delete an MSP connection, click the ellipsis **Manage** button in the top right corner of the MSP block. In the popup, click **Delete** and confirm the action. This action will erase all tenant data from the MSP's side and vice versa.

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Status: Connected
Contact email: admin@admin.com
Contact phone: 5555555
Website: 5555555



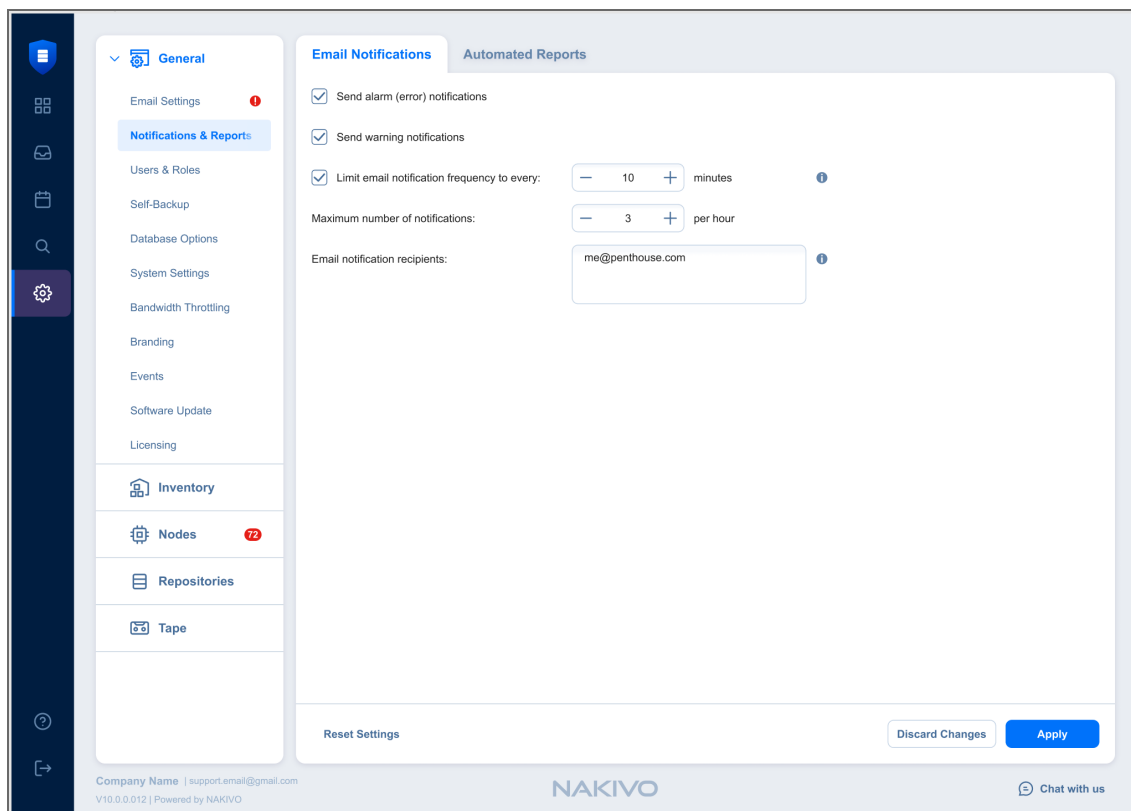
Notifications & Reports

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can send notifications and reports over email.

- [Email Notifications](#)
- [Automatic Reports](#)

To receive automatic notifications, configure email settings by following the steps below:

1. Log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
2. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
3. Go to the **General** tab.
4. Click **Notifications & Reports** to configure notifications and automatic reports section on the page that opens.
5. Click **Apply** to save the settings after you're done.
6. Alternatively, click **Discard Changes** to discard any changes you have made to the email configuration.
7. Optionally, click **Reset Settings** to return all the settings to their default values.



Note

To configure email notifications and automatic reports, you must first configure email settings.

Email Notifications

To set Email notifications, fill out the fields in the *Email notifications* section:

- **Send alarm (error) notifications:** If this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will send email notifications to the specified recipients in case an error (for example, a job failure) occurs in the product. For users in Multi-Tenant Mode, these notifications also identify the relevant tenant and the instance where the error occurred.
- **Send warning notifications:** If this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will send email notifications to the specified recipients in case the product generates a warning message (for example, lost connection to a host or **Backup Repository**). For users in Multi-Tenant Mode, these notifications also identify the relevant tenant and the instance that generated the warning.
- **Limit email notification frequency:** This option allows you to set up an email notification frequency in minutes. If deselected, notification emails will be sent every 5 minutes with no hourly limit.
- **Maximum number of notifications:** Use this option to change the limit of email notifications receivable per hour. If this limit is reached, any additional notifications will be delivered the following hour.
- **Email notification recipients:** Specify the recipients who will be receiving alarm and warning notifications (if enabled).

Automatic Reports

To set automatic reports, fill out the fields in the Automatic Reports section:

- **Job reports:** If this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will send an HTML report after the completion of every job (regardless of the job success or failure) to email addresses specified in the text field. Use a semi-colon to separate multiple email addresses.
- **Failed Item Protection report:** Contains information about all items which had failed to be protected by backup and/or replication jobs, and the error message. Additionally, configure **Report info in the last** option by entering the number of days you want to get the report for.
- **Overview report:** If this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will generate the Overview report (which includes information about all jobs and groups in the product) on the date and time specified in the scheduler and will send the report to the recipients specified in the text field. Use a semi-colon to separate multiple email addresses.
- **Protection Coverage:** If this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will generate the Protection Coverage report. This includes information about all VMs & instances protected by backup and/or replication jobs as well as the information about all unprotected VMs & instances. The report will be sent to the recipients specified in the text field on the date and time specified in the scheduler. Use a semi-colon to separate multiple email addresses.
- **Schedule:** Configure the schedule at which you want to get the reports.

- **Attach PDF copy to all automated reports:** Select this option to get the additional attached copy of the report in the PDF format.
- **Attach CSV copy to all automated reports:** Select this option to get the additional attached copy of the report in the CSV format.

Note

NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports the following special characters in reports:

- US special characters
- Characters in the following languages:
 - Vietnamese
 - Japanese
 - Korean
 - Chinese
 - Arabic

The screenshot displays the 'Automated Reports' configuration page in the NAKIVO Backup & Replication web interface. The left sidebar contains navigation options such as 'General', 'Inventory', 'Nodes', 'Repositories', and 'Tape'. The main content area is titled 'Automated Reports' and includes the following sections:

- Non-scheduled reports:** A checkbox for 'Job reports' is checked, with the email address 'administrator@gmail.com' entered in the adjacent field. An information icon (i) is present next to the field.
- Scheduled reports:** Three checkboxes are present: 'Failed Item Protection report', 'Overview report', and 'Protection Coverage report'. Each has a 'Send Now' button to its right.
- Schedule:** Fields for 'Time' (00:00 AM/PM), 'Days' (MO, TU, WE, TH, FR, SA, SU), 'Every' (1 weeks), and 'Time Zone' (UTC+02:00, EET Eastern European) are visible.
- Attachments:** Two checkboxes are present: 'Attach PDF copy to all automated reports' and 'Attach CSV copy to all automated reports'. Both have information icons (i) next to them.

At the bottom of the configuration area, there is a 'Reset Settings' button and two buttons: 'Discard Changes' and 'Apply'.

The footer of the interface shows 'Company Name | support.email@gmail.com', 'V10.0.0.012 | Powered by NAKIVO', the 'NAKIVO' logo, and a 'Chat with us' button.

Self-Backup

The self-backup feature allows you to automatically protect configuration settings of your NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance. For more information, refer to “[Self-Backup Feature](#)” on page 54.

Note

Self-backup is not supported for the multi-tenant configuration.

To configure self-backup options, proceed as described in the following sections:

- [Accessing Self-Backup Options](#)
- [Setting Up Self-Backup Destination](#)
- [Self-Backup Schedule](#)
- [Self-Backup Options](#)
- [Self-Backup Encryption](#)
- [Recovering from Self-Backup](#)

Accessing Self-Backup Options

To access self-backup options, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
2. Go to the **General** tab and click **Self-backup**.
3. After making the necessary changes, click **Apply**. Alternatively, click **Discard Changes** to discard any changes you have made.

The screenshot displays the 'Self-Backup' configuration page in the NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface. The left sidebar shows the 'General' tab selected, with 'Self-Backup' highlighted. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'Destination' and 'Schedule'.

Destination: Two radio buttons are present. The first is 'Back up system configuration to all repositories' (unselected). The second is 'Back up system configuration to selected repositories only' (selected). Below this is a table of 'Selected repositories'.

Repositories	Self-backup status	Last backup date
<input type="checkbox"/> Onboard repository	Completed	21 Sep 2021

Below the table is a pagination control showing 'Page < 1 > of 1'.

Schedule: The 'Start at:' field is set to '< 2 > : < 0 >'. The 'Days:' field shows a row of buttons for MO, TU, WE, TH, FR, SA, and SU, with WE (Wednesday) selected.

At the bottom right, there are two buttons: 'Discard Changes' and 'Apply'.

Setting Up Self-Backup Destination

To configure a self-backup destination, follow the steps below:

1. Select **Back up system configuration to all repositories** to enable all repositories in the list of repositories where system configuration will be backed up. If deselected, you can remove specific repositories from the list.

Important

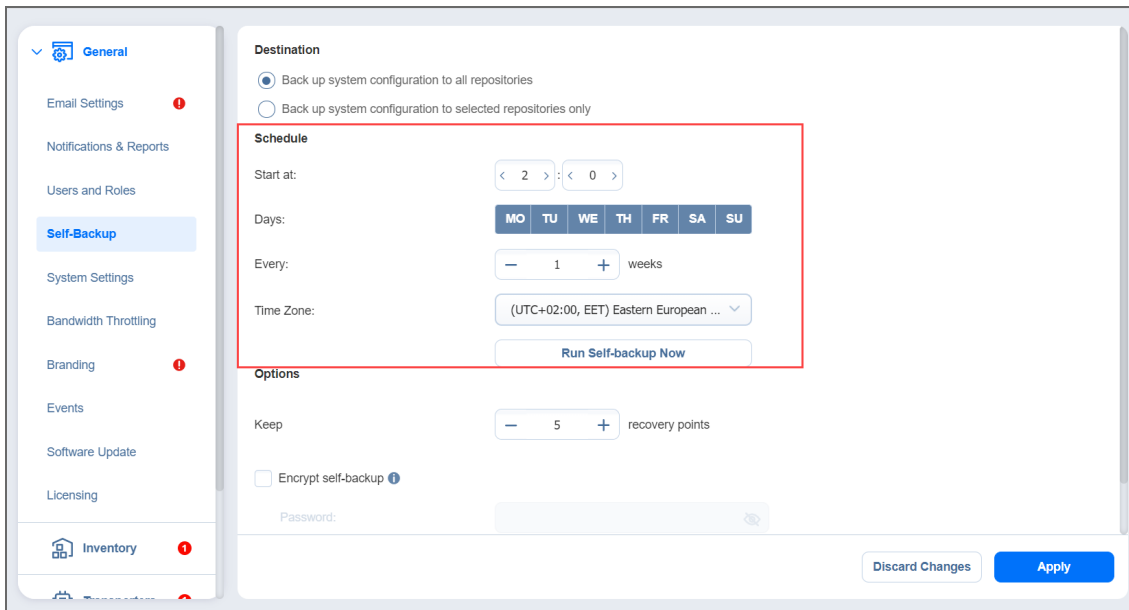
- Backing up your NAKIVO Backup & Replication system configuration to a **DD Boost storage unit Backup Repository** causes the DD Boost storage unit to be unmounted. Therefore, to avoid re-adding the DD Boost storage as an existing **Backup Repository** manually, exclude DD Boost storage unit repositories from the list of repositories for self-backup.
- Self-backup cannot be performed to **SaaS** type of **Backup Repository**.

2. Alternatively, select **Back up system configuration to selected repositories only** and select specific repositories you wish to use for self-backup.
3. If necessary, add a **Backup Repository** to the list:
 - Click the “+” icon to add repositories to the list of repositories for system backing up.
 - In the **Add Backup Repositories** dialog that opens, select the necessary repositories and close the dialog.

Self-Backup Schedule

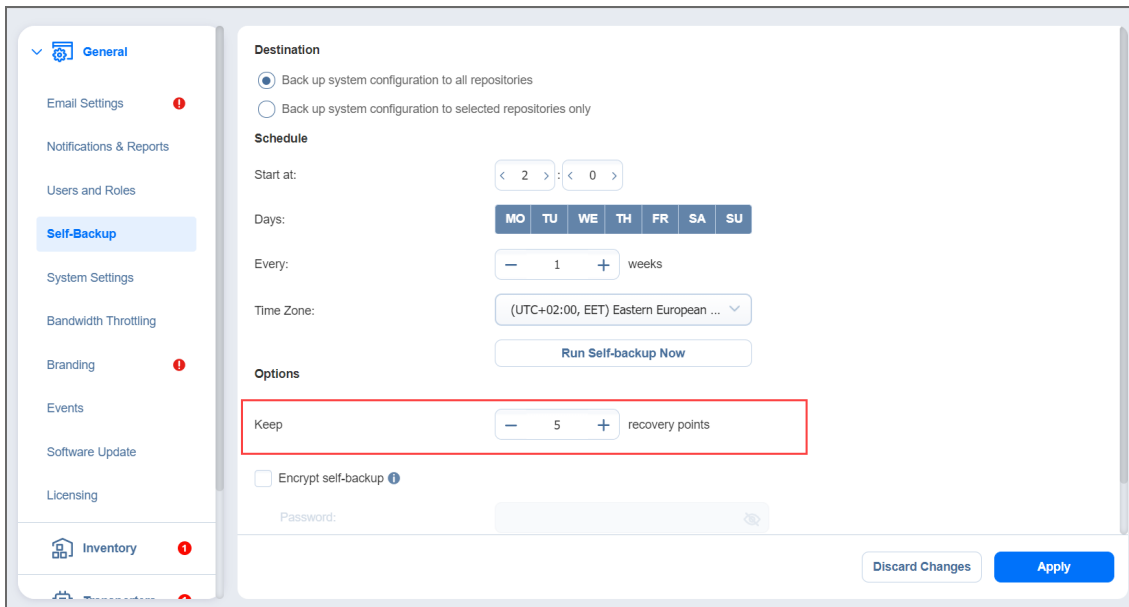
To configure the self-backup schedule, follow the steps below:

1. In the **Schedule** section, enter time to trigger starting the self-backup. You can choose a specific time zone from the list, enter the hours and minutes of the day, and select the necessary days of the week.
2. If you need to start the self-backup immediately, click **Run Self-backup Now**.
3. When ready with configuring the self-backup schedule, click **Apply**.



Self-Backup Options

In the **Options** section of the self-backup settings, you can enter a number of recovery points to be kept for the self-backup. To apply your settings, click the **Apply** button.



Self-Backup Encryption

Select **Encrypt self-backup** to encrypt your backup for additional security. Afterwards, enter the password in the **Password** and **Confirm Password** fields which are required to recover from the self-backup.

Recovering from Self-Backup

To recover the configuration of NAKIVO Backup & Replication from a self-backup stored in a **Backup Repository**, do the following:

1. Go to **Settings > Repositories**.
2. Select one of the repositories that contain a self-backup.
3. Select the self-backup from the **Backups** list and click **Recover**.
4. Select a recovery point and click **Restore**.
5. Wait while the system configuration is restored. When the self-backup recovery process is completed, a message announcing success appears.

Note

If a selected recovery point was created from an encrypted self-backup, you will have to enter the password to it.

Software Update

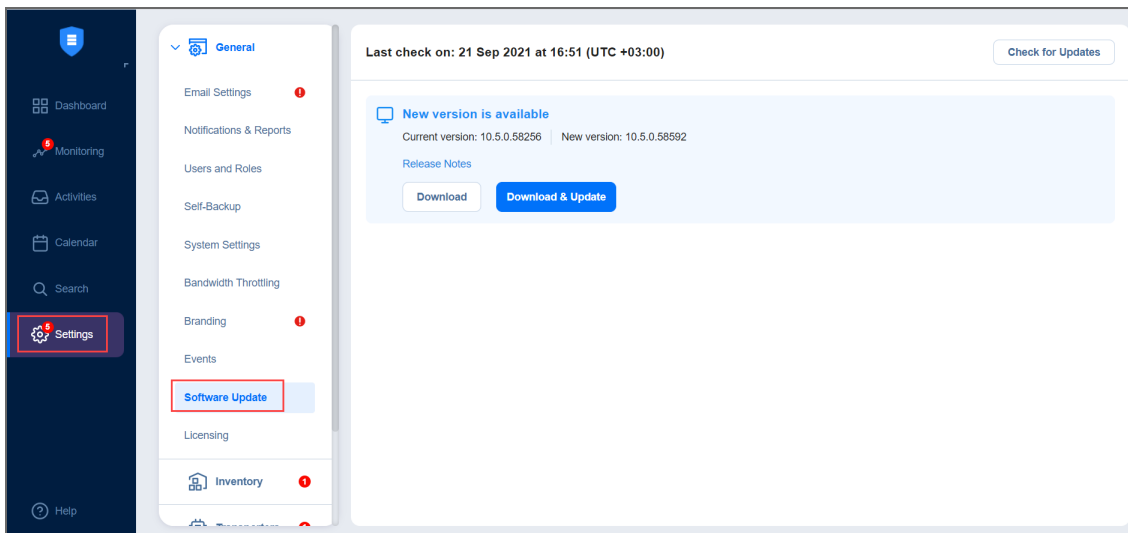
- [Download & Update Option](#)
- [Download Option](#)

When the full solution of NAKIVO Backup & Replication (that is, the Director and the Transporter) is installed on a Windows or Linux machine, you can download product updates from the **Software Update** tab in the web interface. This feature automatically updates your NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance, the Onboard Transporter, and any other nodes that support auto-update.

For a list of supported nodes and requirements for the auto-update feature, see the **Auto-Update** section in [“Feature Requirements” on page 167](#).

To check if an update is available, do the following:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
2. Go to the **General** tab.
3. Go to the **Software Update** page.
4. Click **Check for Updates** if needed.



Note

If you are using a multi-tenant solution, only master-tenant users with the appropriate permissions are able to see and manage software updates.

Download & Update Option

To download and install the update, do the following:

1. Optionally, click **Release Notes** to see features and improvements implemented in the new product version.
2. Select the **I have read the Release Notes** checkbox.

3. Click **Download & update**.
4. Click **Update Now**.

Before downloading the update, the product performs a self-backup and stops all current activities including running jobs, recovery jobs, repository maintenance, etc. When the download is complete, the product updating process begins. The product downloads the update to the **Director** first. When the **Director** is updated, the update is automatically uploaded to the **Transporters** that are then updated simultaneously. If some **Transporters** are not updated, you can update them manually. Refer to the corresponding [articles](#) for details.

Notes

- For a list of supported **Transporters**, see the **Auto-Update** section in “[Feature Requirements](#)” on page 167.
- Only 20 Transporters can be updated simultaneously. All other Transporters will be sent to a queue and updated once the previous update is completed.

Download Option

If you wish to postpone an update or schedule it, take the following steps to download the update without installing it:

1. Optionally, click **Release Notes** to see features and improvements implemented in the new product version.
2. Select the **I have read the Release Notes** checkbox.
3. Click **Download**.
4. After the download is completed, do one of the following:
 - Click **Update Now** if you want to start the updating process. Updating the product will stop all current activities, including running jobs, recovery jobs, repository maintenance, etc.
 - Click **Schedule Update** to update the solution at a specific time:
 1. In the dialog box that opens, pick a day and time for updating. Click **Apply**.
 2. On a working day before the scheduled update, you will see a notification in the product menu with the **Update Reminder** dialog box. By hovering over this notification, you can:
 - a. Click **Reschedule** if you want to reschedule the update and pick a different time.
 - b. Click **Cancel update** to cancel updating the full solution.

Note

A notification about the update will also be sent to your email if [email settings](#) are configured.

System Settings

To configure the system settings, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Settings** in the main menu on the left.
2. Go to the **General** tab and click **System settings**.
3. Set the following options:
 - In the **Configuration** tab:
 - **Store system events for the last x days**: Events older than the specified number of days (can be from 5 to 365) will be deleted.
 - **Store job history for the last x days**: The history of the jobs older than the specified number of days (can be from 5 to 90) will be deleted.

Note

This option is not displayed for the Master tenant in Multi-tenancy mode.

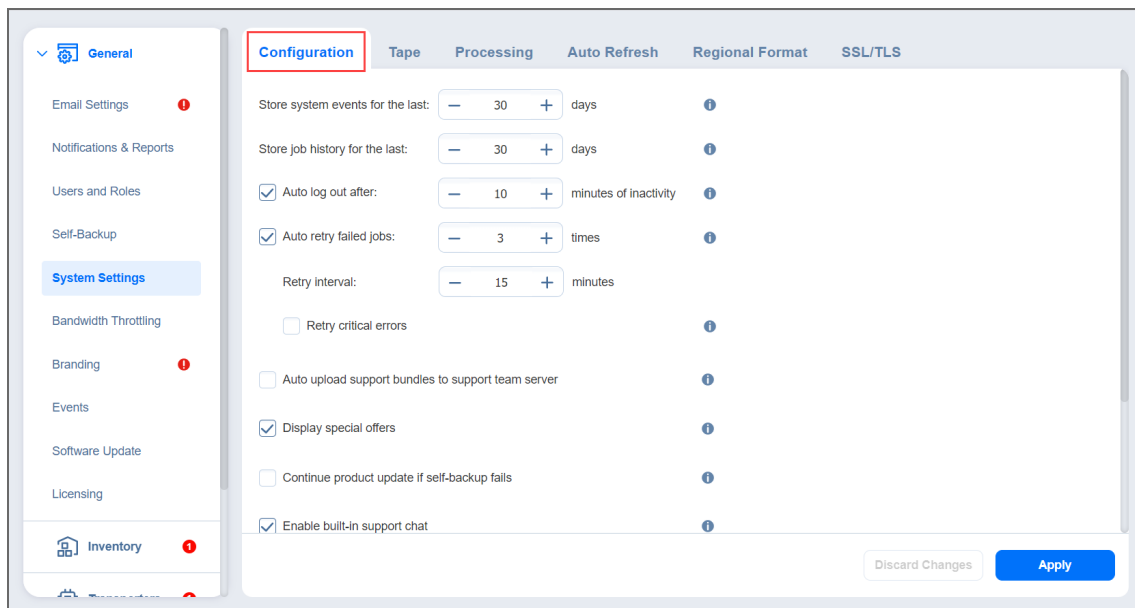
- **Auto log out after x minutes of inactivity**: When this option is selected, the current user will be automatically logged out of NAKIVO Backup & Replication after the specified period of inactivity.
- **Auto retry failed jobs x times with y minutes interval**: When this option is selected, failed jobs are automatically retried the specified number of times (from 2 to 10) and with the specified time interval (from 1 to 60). Jobs with failed backup, replication, and recovery remain in the “running” state until all retries have either succeeded or failed.
- **Retry critical errors**: When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication tries to automatically rerun jobs with critical and non-critical errors a specified number of times.

Notes

- The term **critical error** refers to persistent errors that are unlikely to change without any additional intervention, that is, hardware failure.
- The term **non-critical error** refers to non-persistent errors that are likely to change without any additional intervention, that is, unstable network connection.

- **Auto upload support bundles to support team server**: When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically creates, encrypts, and uploads support bundles once a day to a NAKIVO support server. The NAKIVO Support Team may use this information to improve the product experience and to identify and resolve product issues faster.

- **Display special offers:** When this option is enabled, the NAKIVO special offers toolbar appears in the NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface.
- **Continue product update if self-backup fails:** When this option is selected, updates proceed even if self-backup cannot be performed.
- **Enable built-in support chat:** When this option is selected, you can contact a NAKIVO representative via chat in the NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface. When selected in the multi-tenant mode, the built-in support chat is available to all tenants of the NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance.
- **Enable Aptare Integration:** Select this option to integrate the APTARE storage resource management platform with NAKIVO Backup & Replication. For integration details, refer to [Aptare IT Analytics Integration](#).
- **Send anonymous product usage data:** Enable this option to send anonymous product usage data to NAKIVO for efficient product development and enhancement. Note that no personal data is collected.
- Click the **Use New Scheduler** link to enable the use of a new scheduler that merges the retention and schedule steps. The scheduler allows you to set backup retention settings per schedule and get expiration dates for recovery points.
- You can click **Restart Director service** to stop all current activities and restart the **Director**. After clicking the link, a confirmation window appears. Click **Reboot** to confirm the restart.
- **Import System Configuration:** Find more information on the topic [here](#).
- **Export System Configuration:** Find more information on the topic [here](#).

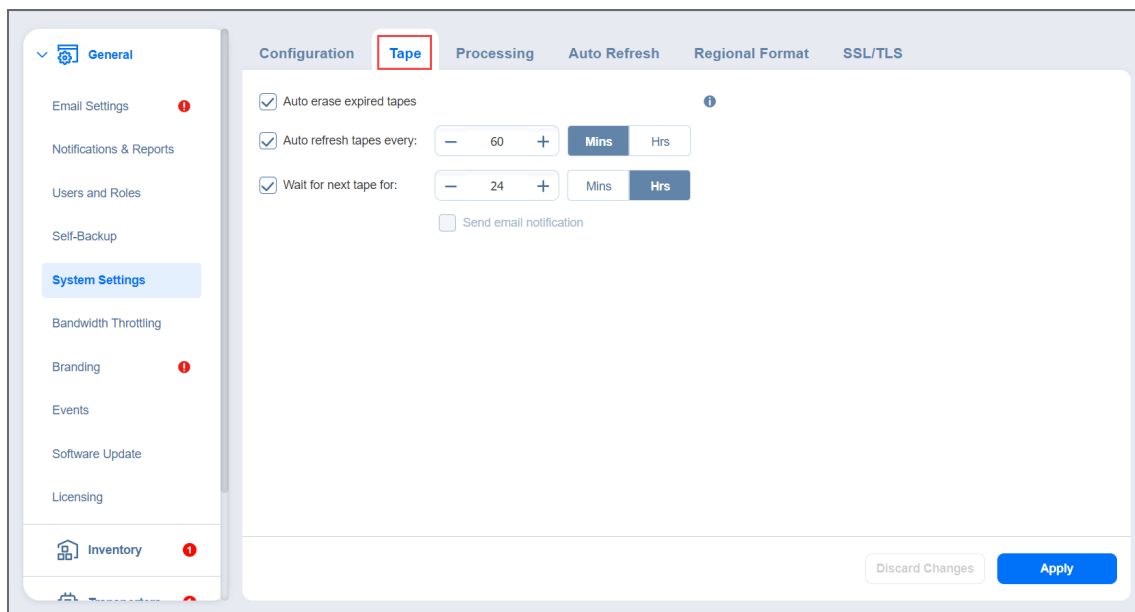


- In the **Tape** tab:
 - **Auto erase expired tapes:** When this option is selected, expired tapes are erased automatically.

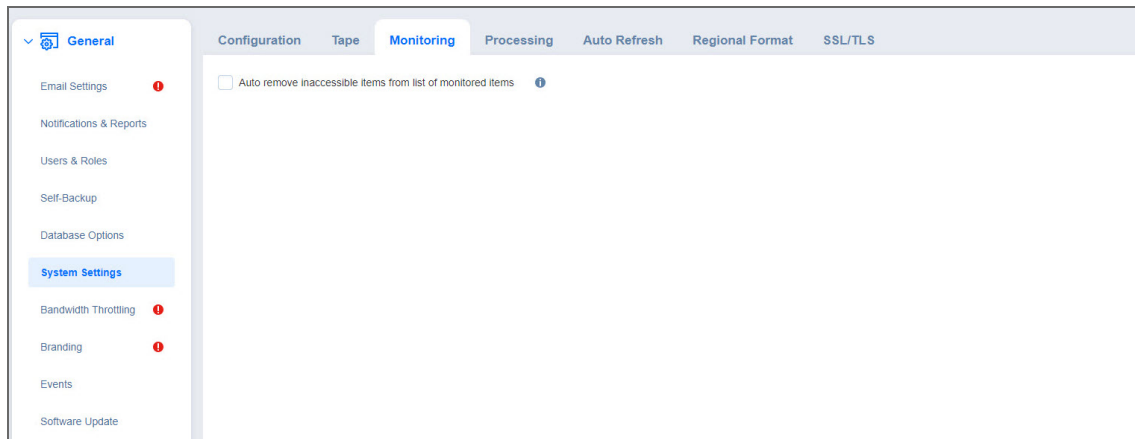
Important

If this option is selected, the following prerequisites must be met for a cartridge to be erased:

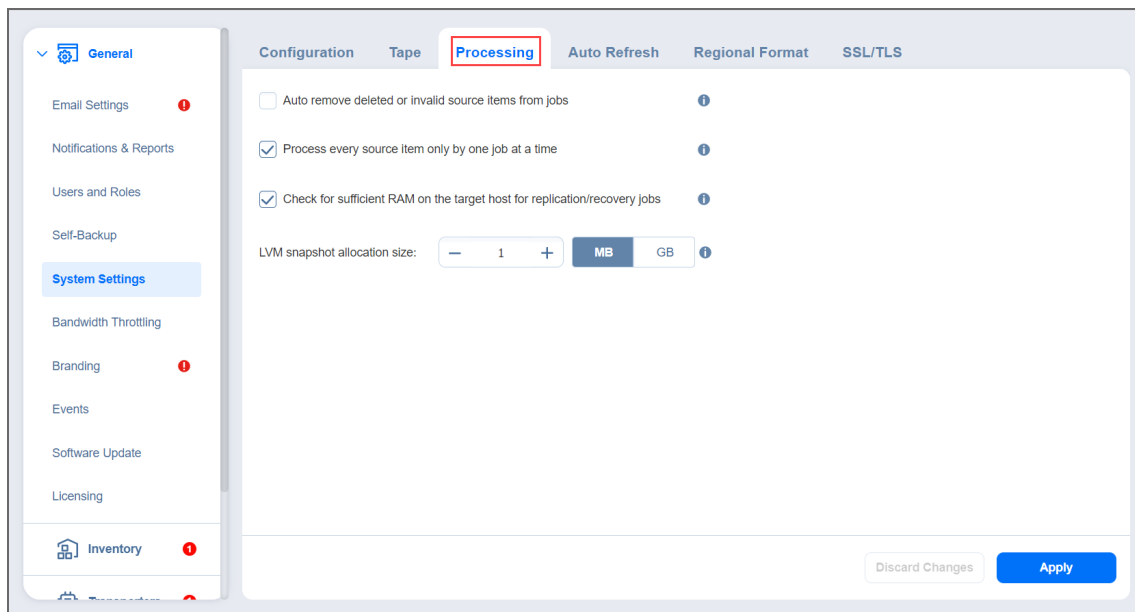
- All recovery points within the tape cartridge are expired.
 - There are no dependent recovery points on other tape cartridges.
 - The product keeps at least one full chain of recovery points.
- **Auto refresh tapes every:** Select how often the contents of the tapes are refreshed in minutes or hours. Deselect if refreshing is not required.
 - **Wait for next tape for:** Specify how long the system should wait for the next tape if there is no appropriate amount. Select the **Send email notification** checkbox to receive email notifications.



- In the **Monitoring** tab:
 - **Auto remove inaccessible items from list of monitored items:** When this option is selected, all inaccessible items are removed automatically from the list of monitored items.



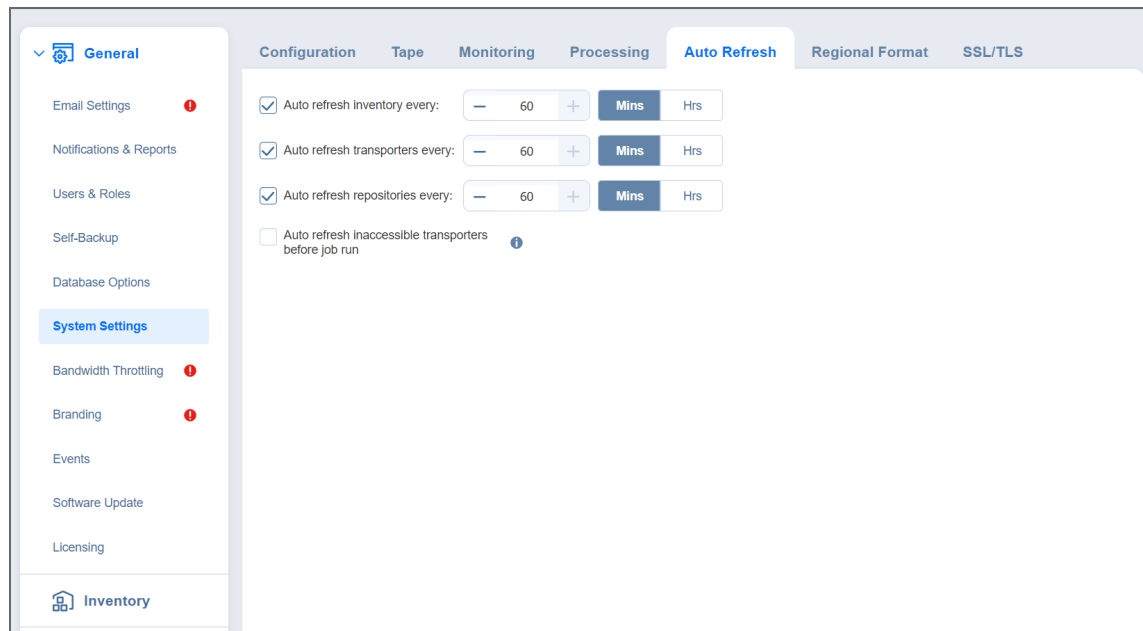
- In the **Processing** tab:
 - **Auto remove deleted or invalid source items from jobs:** This option applies to a protected container (such as a VMware cluster or EC2 region). When this option is selected, if NAKIVO Backup & Replication discovers (during the [inventory refresh](#)) that a VM(s) and/or EC2 instance(s) is no longer available in the protected container, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically removes these VMs and EC2 instances from all jobs.
 - **Process every source item only by one job at a time:** When this option is selected, all machines in backup and replication jobs are processed by one job at a time only. Running jobs and respective source objects will not be affected after changing this setting. For physical servers, this option is always enabled.
 - **Check for sufficient RAM on the target host for replication/recovery jobs:** When this option is deselected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication does not check whether the amount of RAM on the target host is sufficient for replication and recovery jobs.
 - **LVM snapshot allocation size:** This option allows you to set an LVM allocation snapshot size for a Linux physical server backup. The default size is 1 GB. The maximum size is 1000 GB.



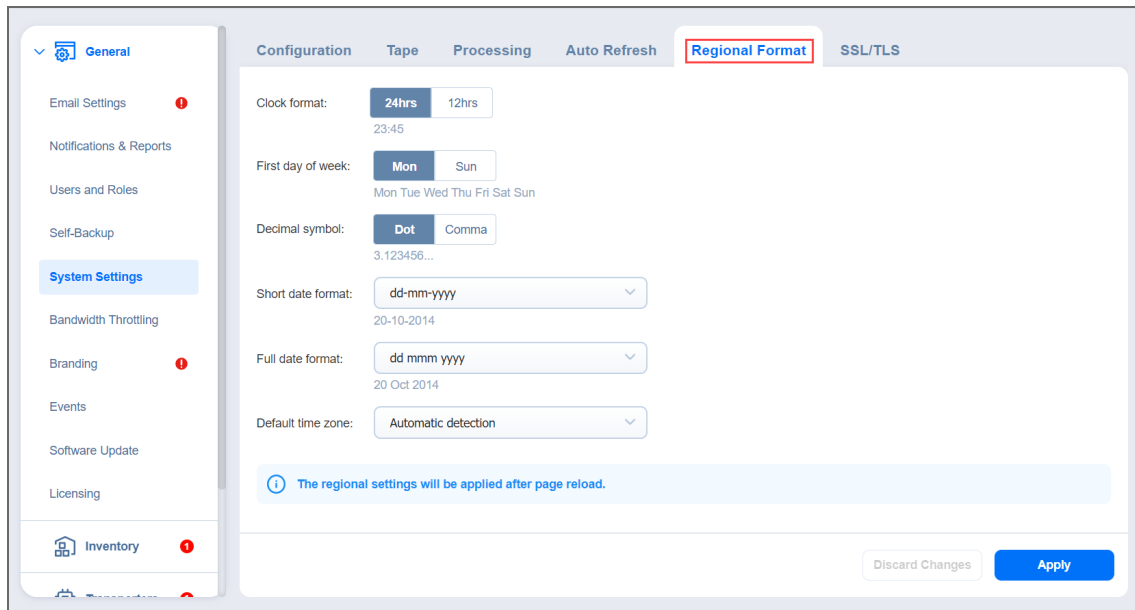
- In the **Auto Refresh** tab:
 - **Auto refresh inventory every X minutes:** Specify how often you want your inventories to be refreshed.
 - **Auto refresh transporters every X minutes:** Specify how often you want your transporters to be refreshed.
 - **Auto refresh repositories every X minutes:** Specify how often you want your repositories to be refreshed.
 - **Auto refresh inaccessible transporters before job run:** If this option is enabled, the product refreshes all inaccessible transporters before a job is processed.

Notes

- Repositories assigned to the inaccessible transporters are refreshed as well during the auto refresh.
- The **Auto refresh inaccessible transporters before job run** option is supported only for the following platforms:
 - VMware vSphere
 - AWS
 - Cloud Director
 - Nutanix AHV



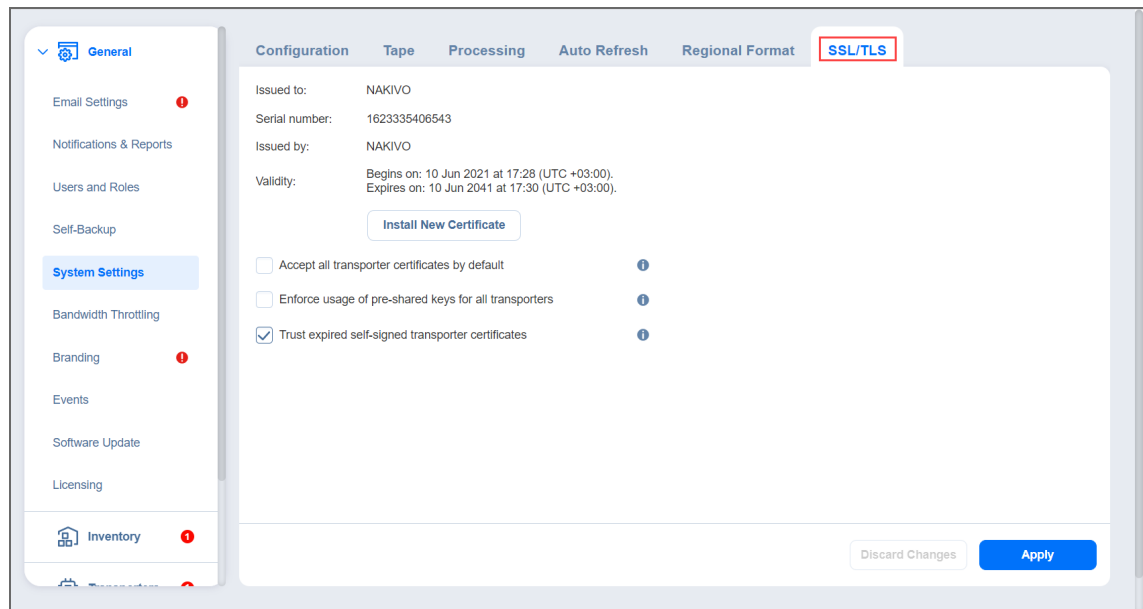
- In the **Regional Format** tab, set:
 - **Clock format**
 - **First day of week**
 - **Decimal symbol**
 - **Short date format**
 - **Full date format**
 - **Default time zone**



Note
 If any time zone other than **(UTC+00:00, UTC) Coordinated Universal Time** is chosen, daylight savings times are honored.

- In the **SSL/TLS** tab, you can either:
 - **Install new certificate:** A dialog opens allowing you to install a new TLS/SSL certificate for the NAKIVO Backup & Replication web interface. Certificates are generated either internally or through certification authorities. Proceed as follows to install a new certificate:
 - Click **Browse** and navigate to the location of either of the following certificate file types:
 - **Private key:** A file in the *.key format.
 - **Private key password (optional):** A password for your private key.
 - **Certificate file:** A file in the *.pem, *.crt, *.cer, *.p7b, or *.p7s format.
 - **Intermediate certificate (optional):** A file in one of the following formats: *.pem, *.crt, *.cer, *.p7b, *.p7s.
 - **Accept all transporter certificates by default:** Select this option to automatically accept all transporter certificates. After selecting the option, click **Continue** in the warning popup window that appears to confirm the selection.
 - **Enforce usage of pre-shared keys for all transporters:** Selecting this option makes sure that transport function only when pre-shared key is installed.

- **Trust expired self-signed transporter certificates:** Selecting this option makes the solution trust the expired self-signed transporter certificates.



4. After making the necessary changes, click **Apply**. Alternatively, click **Discard Changes** to discard any changes you have made.

Notes

- NAKIVO Backup & Replication supports Certificates with the RSA algorithm only.
- In the *Web Interface TLS/SSL Certificate* section, you can see a notification about imminent TLS/SSL Certificate expiration in 30 days and onwards. If your certificate has expired, you will be asked to install a valid certificate.

System Migration

NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides you with the ability to migrate all your settings (including inventory, jobs, credentials, transporter settings, and so on) to a new instance (copy) of the product.

Important

System configuration export and import are designed for migration purposes only, and not to serve as a system configuration backup. After you have exported system configuration from an old instance of the product, do not run jobs in that old instance. Doing so will result in failed jobs in the new instance after the migration. All jobs will have to be recreated, and full initial job run will be required.

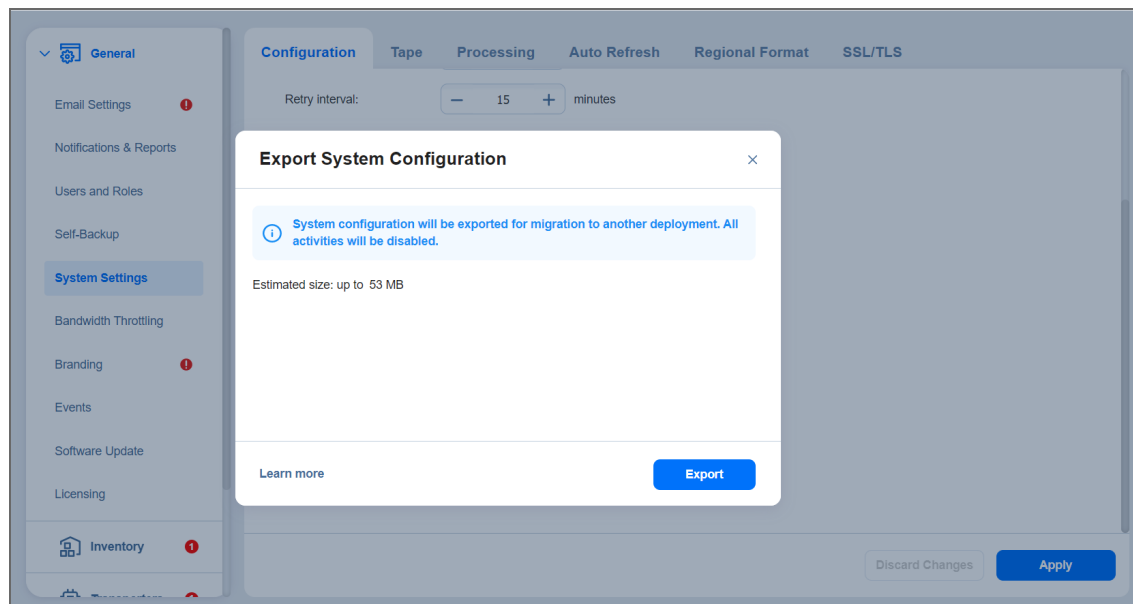
See the topics below for more information:

- [Exporting System Configuration](#)
- [Importing System Configuration](#)

Exporting System Configuration

To export system configuration from the old deployment, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
2. Select **System Settings** tab in the **General** section.
3. On the **Configuration** tab, click **Export System Configuration**.
4. In the dialog window that appears, click **Export**.



5. Click **Proceed** to confirm the operation.

Note

All activities in the old instance (such as jobs and recovery sessions) will be automatically stopped and all jobs will be disabled.

6. Wait until the export is completed and download the export bundle.
7. Do not run jobs in the old instance.

Importing System Configuration

To import system configuration into a new instance of the product, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
2. Select **System Settings** tab in the **General** section.
3. On the **Configuration** tab, click **Import System Configuration**.
4. In the dialog window that appears, locate the system configuration bundle using the **Browse** button.

Import System Configuration ×

Choose the file: **Browse**

i Target object mapping compares source object with target object and eliminate differences.
It is highly recommended to perform target object mapping in case any jobs in the previous deployment were run after system configuration export.
To ensure the appropriate recovery point retention, make sure the time is set correctly on the system.

⚠ Target object mapping is not supported for backup copy jobs using tape media as a target.

Perform target object mapping for all jobs

[Learn More](#) Cancel **Import**

5. Click **Import**.
6. Click **Proceed** to confirm the operation.

Important

- If there is any existing data in the new instance, it will be overwritten with the import operation.
- Target object mapping is skipped for backup copy jobs using tape media as target.
- If a physical configuration of your source deployment differs from a target deployment, a **Backup Repository** may become inaccessible after the bundle import is completed.

7. Wait until the import is completed, and close the dialog window.

Notes

- **Backup Repositories** are not migrated by the system configuration export and import. If you have a local **Backup Repository** on the old instance of the product, you may want to [move](#) it to the new location. After moving the **Backup Repository**, you may need to [edit Backup Repository](#) settings in the new instance so that the new settings refer to the actual **Backup Repository** location.
- In case a custom TLS/SSL certificate of the Web server was used in the old instance, a manual service restart will be required in the new deployment.

Users and Roles

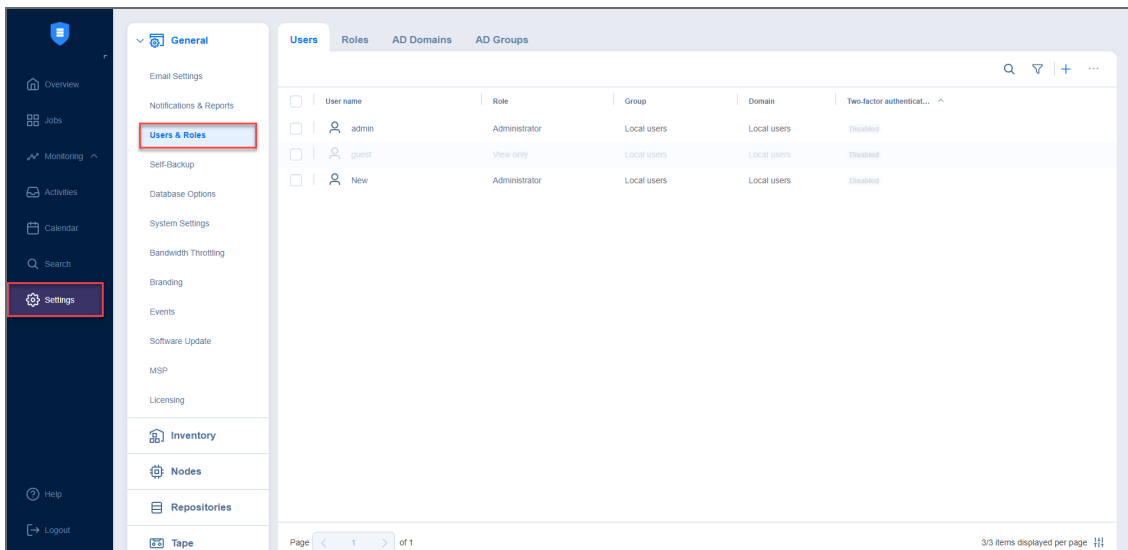
Accessing NAKIVO Backup & Replication is possible either with a user account created in the product or with an account added to the product from Active Directory. Each user in the product is assigned a role, which is a set of specific permissions.

- [Managing Users and Roles](#)
- [Navigating Users View](#)
- [Navigating Roles View](#)
- [“Navigating AD Domains View” on page 402](#)
- [Navigating AD Groups View](#)

Managing Users and Roles

Managing users and roles can be done by following these steps:

1. Log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
2. Click **Settings** (cog icon) in the left pane of the product.
3. Go to the **General** tab and click **Users & Roles**.



Navigating Users View

To see the list of all users, select the **Users** view in the upper pane. On this page of the solution you can do the following:

- See the list of all users added to NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
- Sort the list by **User Name**, **Role**, **Tenant**, **Domain**, **Access level**, **Group** or **2 Factor-authentication** by clicking on the respective name of the column.
- Search for users by entering the name of the user (fully or partially) into the **Search** bar.

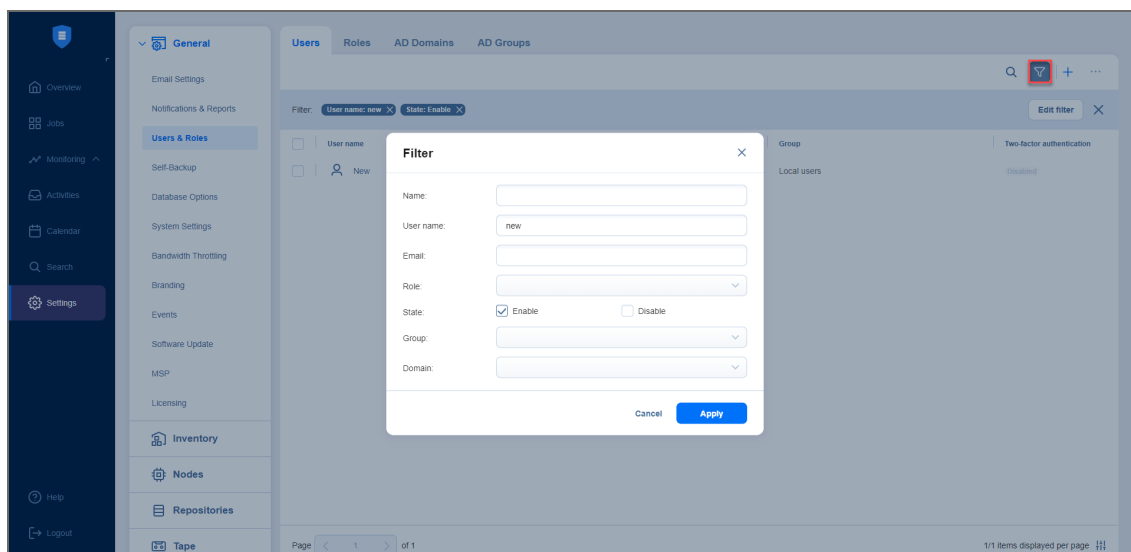
Notes

- The search phrase must be contained in the user registration name, username, or email address.
- The **Search** option allows you to perform search on the following columns:
 - **User name**
 - **Role**
 - **2 Factor-authentication**
 - **Access level**
 - **Group**

- Filter the list of users by selecting the **Filter** option.

Note

Clicking **Filter** opens a new window that allows you to filter the list of local users according to **User name, Role, State, Group, and Domain**.



- Add a new local user by clicking the **+** icon.
- Delete, disable, enable two-factor authentication, and assign a new role to the local user individually. These actions, except **Edit**, can also be done in bulk by checking the box in the upper left pane to select all users and clicking the **...** (ellipsis) button.

Notes

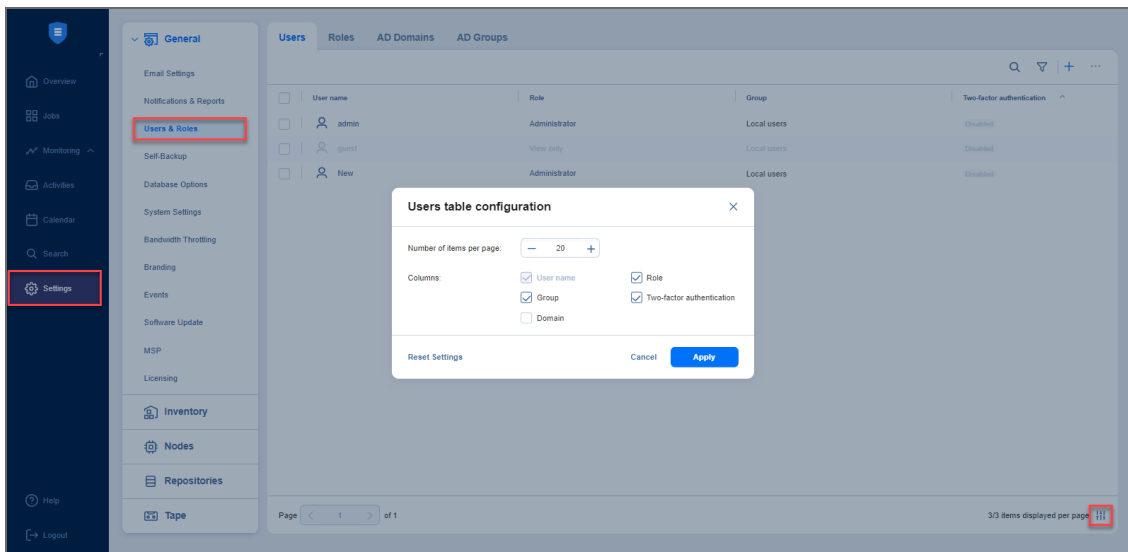
- When selecting all local users to apply a bulk action, NAKIVO Backup & Replication selects only those users that are displayed on the screen.
- When a user is deleted, the name of the user becomes *Deleted* in places where this user is referenced to.
- You can create another user with the same username as the deleted user.

- Edit the role assigned to the local use by clicking on the name of the role in the respective column.

Configuring Users Table

You can show/hide columns or modify the number of items per page in the **Users** table. In the lower right corner, click the controls icon. In the dialog window that opens, select/deselect checkboxes and click **Apply**. The following options are available:

- User name
- Group
- Domain
- Role
- Two-factor authentication



Note

You cannot modify the **User name** column in this dialog window. Refer to [“Editing Local User” on page 419](#) to learn more about editing users.

Navigating Roles View

To see the list of all local users, select the **Roles** view in the upper pane. On this page of the solution you can do the following:

- See the list of all user roles added to NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
- Sort the list by **Role name**, **Access level**, or **Number of users** by clicking on the respective name of the column.

Note

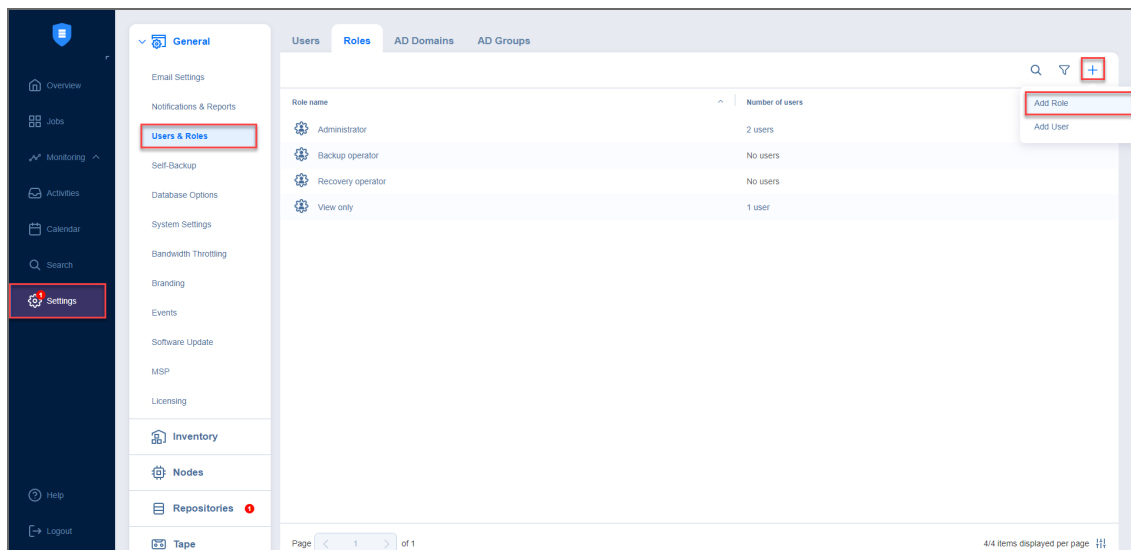
The **Access level** column is displayed only for the **Master tenant** in Multi-tenant mode. It displays the access level that the role has.

- Filter the list of users by entering the name of the user fully or partially into the **Search** bar or by selecting the **Filter** option.

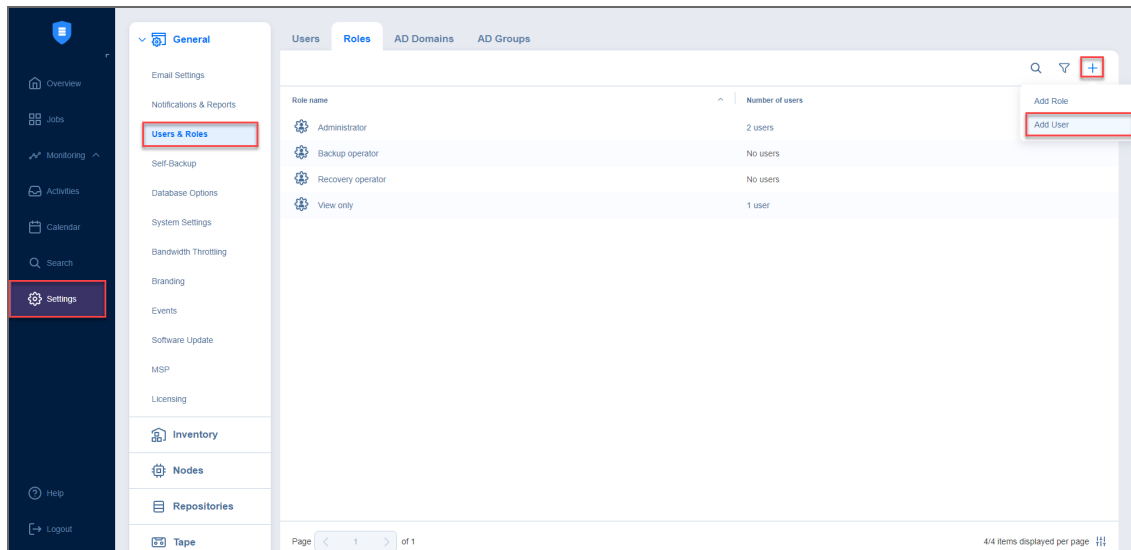
Note

Clicking **Filter** opens a new window that allows you to filter the list of local users according to **Role name** or **Number of users**.

- Add a new role by clicking the **+** icon and selecting **Add Role**.



- Add a new local user by clicking the **+** icon and selecting **Add User**.

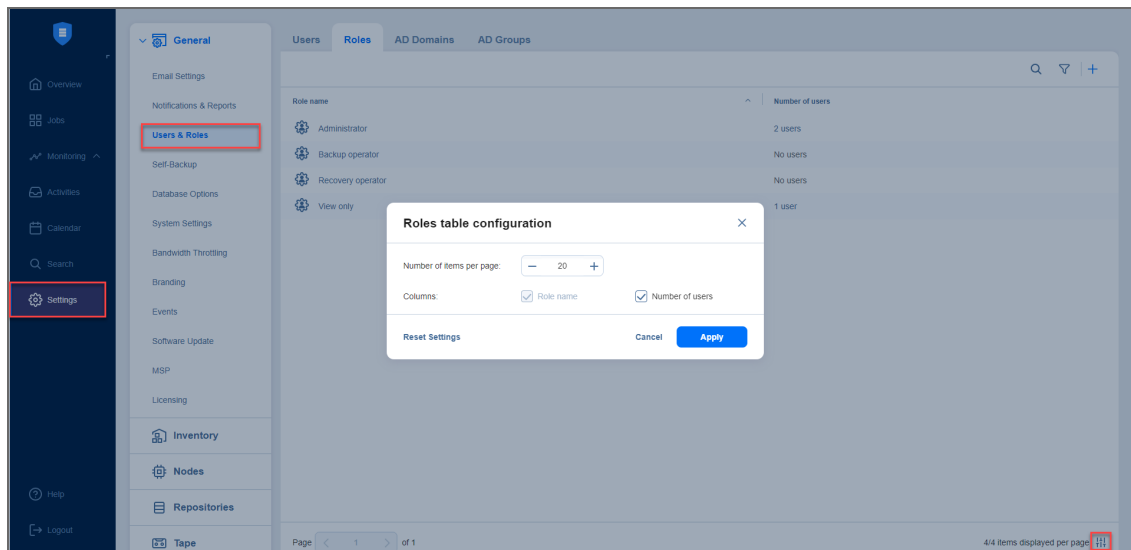


- Edit, delete, or clone the user roles individually. These actions, except **Edit**, can also be done in bulk by checking the box in the upper left pane to select all users and clicking the ... (ellipsis) button. When selecting all local users to apply a bulk action, NAKIVO Backup & Replication selects only those users that are displayed on the screen.
- **Edit, Delete, Clone** the role by clicking the ellipses to the right of the role's name.

Configuring Roles Table

You can show/hide columns or modify the number of items per page in the **Roles** table. In the lower right corner, click the controls icon. In the dialog window that opens, select/deselect checkboxes and click **Apply**. The following options are available:

- Role name
- Number of users



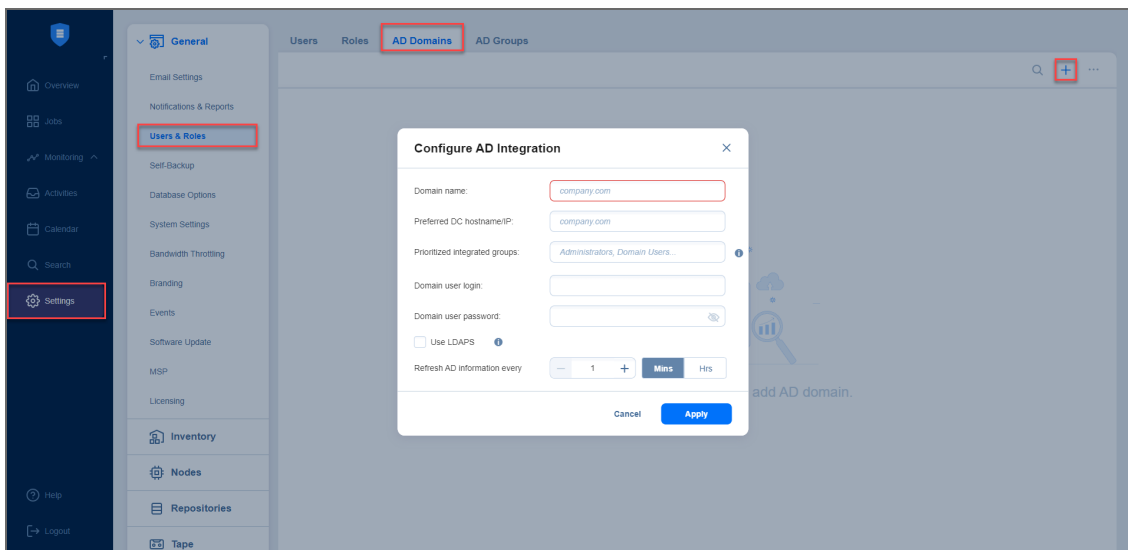
Note

You cannot modify the **Role name** column in this dialog window. Refer to [“Editing User Role” on page 426](#) to learn more about editing alert user roles.

Navigating AD Domains View

To see the list of all Active Directory domains, select the **AD Domains** view in the upper pane. On this page of the solution you can do the following:

- See the list of all AD domains added to NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
- Sort the list by **Domain name**, **DC/Hostname IP**, **Prioritized integrated groups**, **Domain user**, **Refresh AD** or **Status** by clicking on the respective name of the column.
- Search the list of AD domains by entering the name of the user fully or partially into the **Search** bar.
- Add a new AD domain by clicking the **+** icon.



Note

You can add and then manage two or more AD domains and add AD groups from multiple domains. Refer to [Configuring Active Directory Integration](#) for more details.

- Edit, delete, disable/enable AD domains. These actions, except **Edit**, can also be done in bulk by checking the box in the upper left pane and clicking the ... (ellipsis) button.

Note

The user associated with the disabled AD domain cannot log in to the solution.

Navigating AD Groups View

To see the list of all Active Directory groups, select the **AD Groups** view in the upper pane.

On this page of the solution you can do the following:

- See the list of all AD groups added to NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
- Sort the list by **Group name**, **Logged in users**, **Access level**, or **Role** by clicking on the respective name of the column.

Note

The **Access level** column is displayed only for **Master tenant** in Multi-tenant mode. It displays the access level assigned to the AD group.

- Filter the list of users by entering the name of the user (fully or partially) into the **Search** bar or by selecting the **Filter** option.

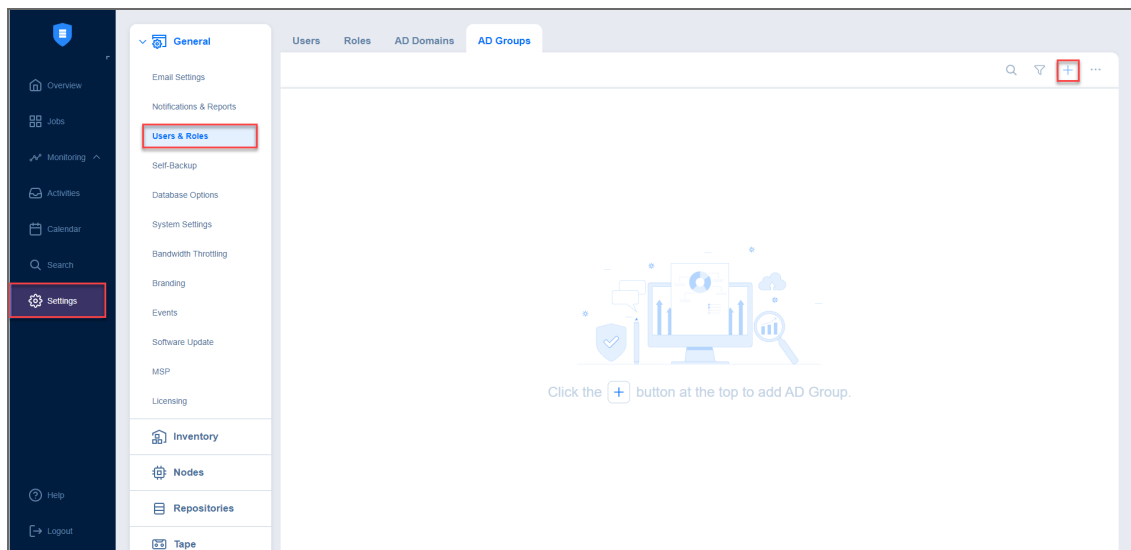
Note

Clicking **Filter** opens a new window that allows you to filter the list of local users according to **Group name**, **Role**, **Number of users**, and **Status**.

- Add a new AD group by clicking the + icon.

Notes

- You can add an AD group only after [configuring AD integration](#); with no AD domains added to the solution, the + icon is disabled.
- You can add up to 5.000 AD groups to your solution.



Notes

- You can add AD groups from multiple domains.
- The AD groups list is disabled if the domain is disabled.

- Edit, delete, disable, enable two-factor authentication, and assign a new role to the local user individually. These actions, except **Edit**, can also be done in bulk by checking the box in the upper left pane to select all users and clicking the ... (ellipsis) button.

Note

When selecting all AD groups to apply a bulk action, NAKIVO Backup & Replication selects only those groups that are displayed on the screen.

- Edit the role assigned to the user by clicking on the name of the role in the respective column.

For details, refer to the following sections:

- [“Managing Active Directory Users” on page 405](#)
- [“Managing Local Users” on page 412](#)
- [“Managing User Roles” on page 421](#)
- [“Configuring Two-Factor Authentication” on page 430](#)

Managing Active Directory Users

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can configure Active Directory integration at any time. You can also freely add, edit, disable AD users, or assign a role to them. For details, refer to the topics below:

- [“Adding Active Directory User” on page 406](#)
- [“Assigning Role to Active Directory User” on page 408](#)
- [“Configuring Active Directory Integration” on page 409](#)
- [“Disabling Active Directory User” on page 411](#)
- [“Editing Active Directory User” on page 412](#)

Adding Active Directory User

After [configuring AD integration](#) in the **Active Directory Configuration** wizard, you can proceed with adding AD user(s). Alternatively, switch to **AD Groups** tab and then click on the "+" icon.

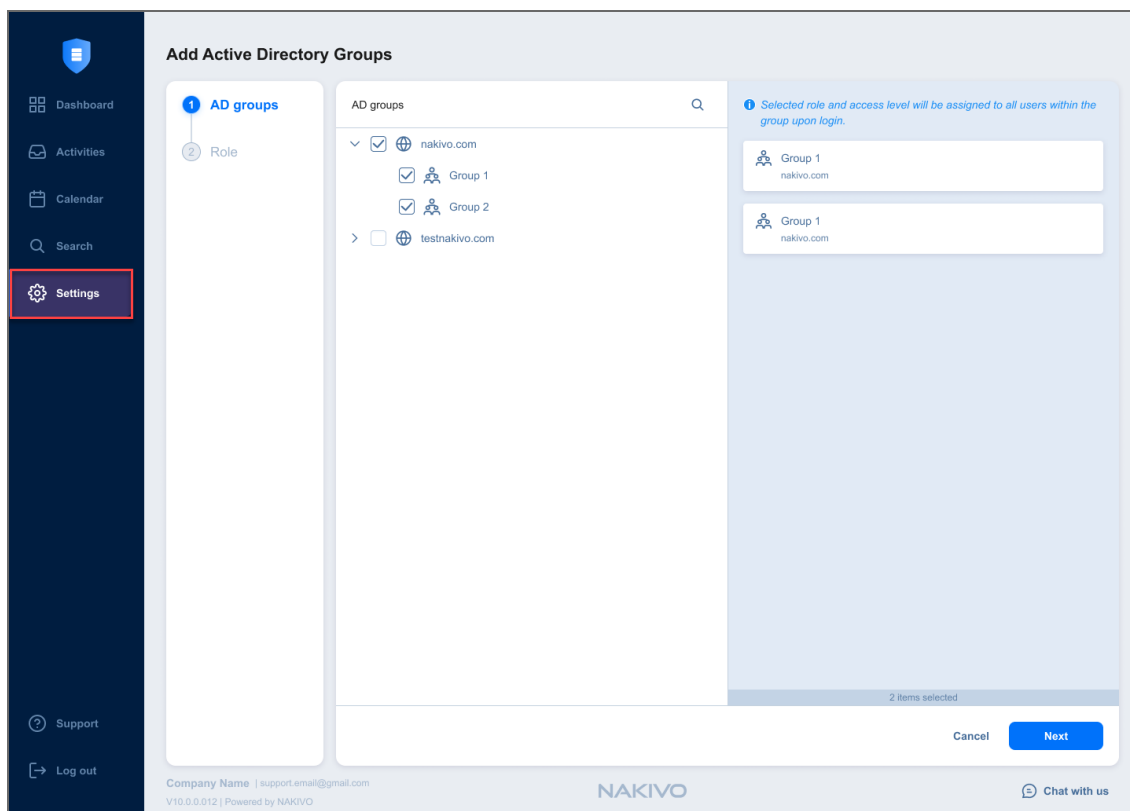
Proceed as follows:

1. Optionally, you can filter the tree of Active Directory users by entering a string to the **Search** box. You can enter a section or the whole name of the item.
2. Select **Active Directory users and groups** by placing a checkmark to their left.
3. The selected items appear in the right pane of the page. If necessary, reorder the selected items by dragging them to a new position. By doing so, you can specify to add the most important users and groups first.

Note

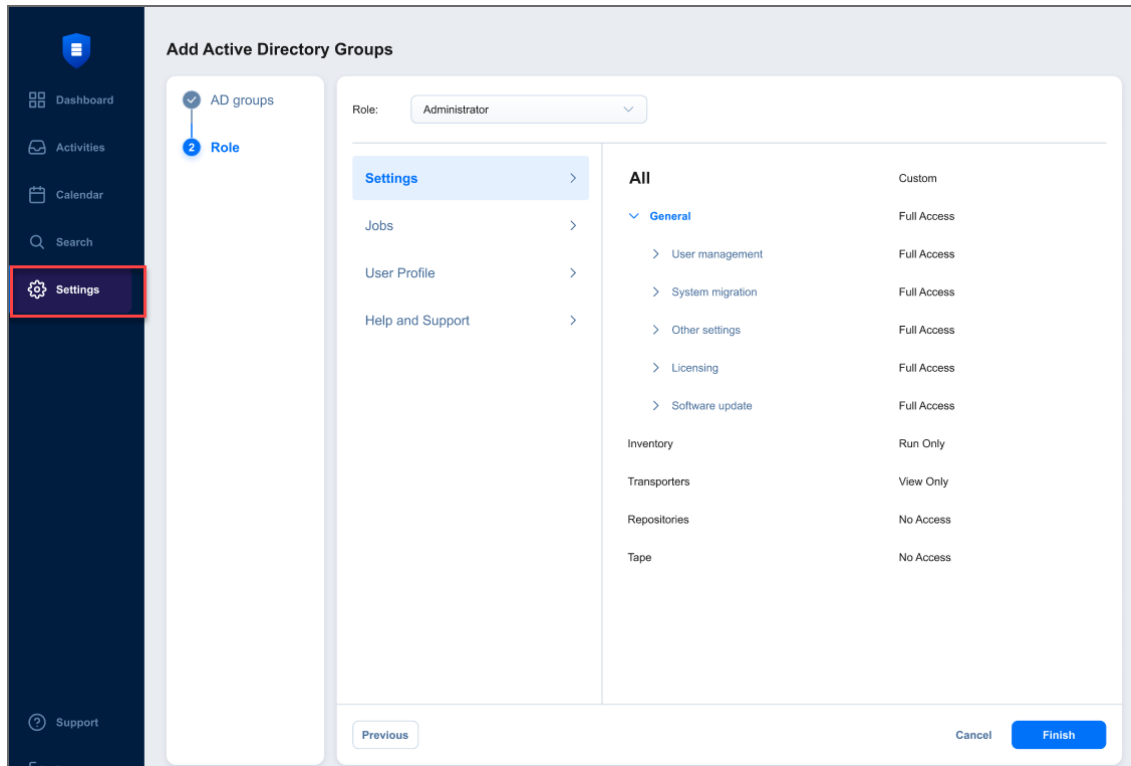
Only logged in users that belong to the group can be added.

4. Review the list of selected items. If necessary, remove a selected user or group from the list in either of the following ways:
 - Deselect the item in the left pane. This will remove the item from the right pane.
 - In the right pane, hover the pointer over the item you wish to remove and click the **Remove** button. This will deselect the item in the left pane.



5. Click **Next** to proceed to the **Role** tab.

6. On the **Role** tab, choose a user role to be assigned to the users.



7. In the lower right corner of the page, click **Finish**. The selected AD groups with selected access level and role appear in the **AD Groups** tab.

Assigning Role to Active Directory User

Follow the steps below to assign a role to an Active Directory user:

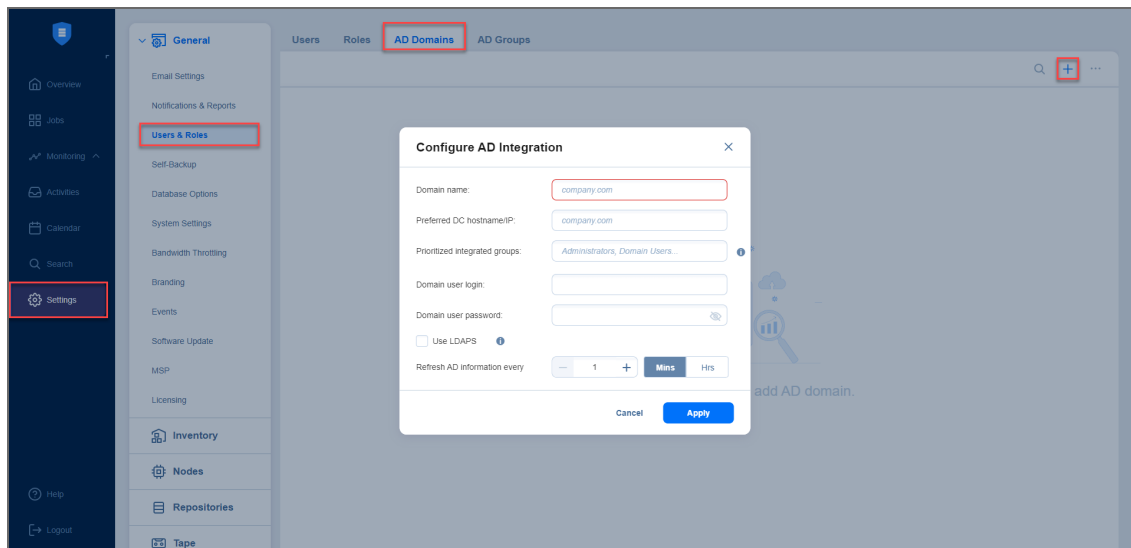
1. Go to **Settings > General > Users & Roles**.
2. The **Users & Roles** page opens in the **Users** view. Hover over the Active Directory user, and then click the ... (ellipsis) button in the rightmost column of the row.
3. In the menu that opens, click **Assign role**.
4. In the dialog box that opens, select a new user role from the **Role** list and then click **Save**.

The Active Directory user appears in the list of users with the assigned role.

Configuring Active Directory Integration

To configure Active Directory integration, follow these steps:

1. Go to **Settings > General > Users & Roles**.
2. Select the **AD Domains** tab and then click the "+" icon.



3. The **Active Directory Configuration Wizard** opens. Proceed as follows:
 - a. In the **Domain name** box, enter the domain name.
 - b. In the **Preferred DC hostname/IP** box, enter the name of the preferred domain controller or its IP address.
 - c. Optionally, you can enter the name of the preferred Active Directory groups in the **Prioritized integrated groups** box.

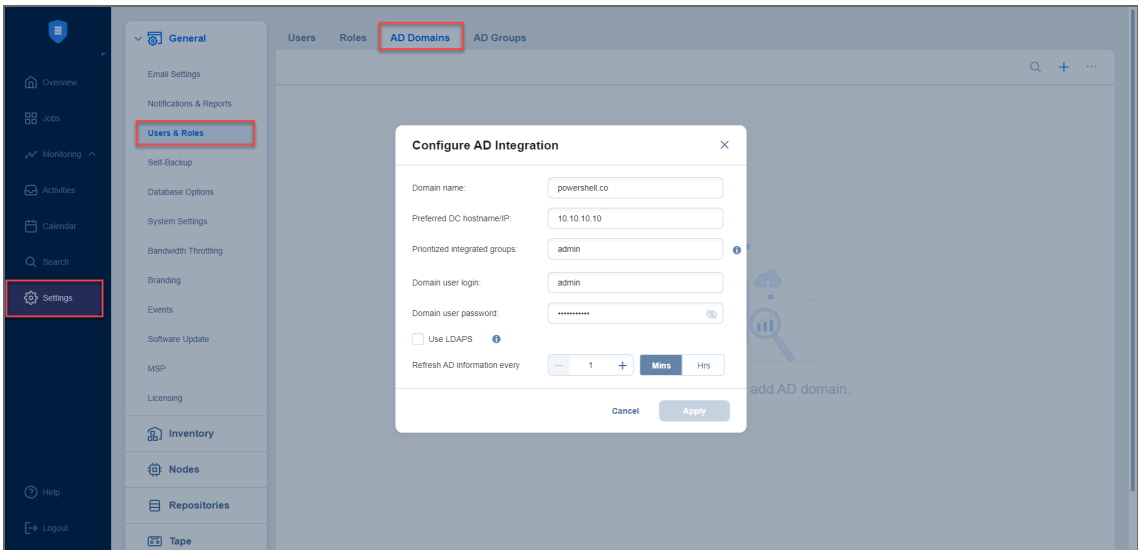
Note

If a user is a member of two or more Active Directory groups, enter the prioritized group's name in this field.

- d. In the **Domain user login** box, enter the username that will be applied when integrating Active Directory.
- e. In the **Domain user password** box, enter the user password that will be applied when integrating Active Directory.
- f. Optionally, enable **Use LDAPS** option. If checked, port 636 is used for LDAP (Lightweight Directory Access Protocol) over SSL.
- g. **Refresh AD information every**: Specify a periodicity of refreshing Active Directory information.
- h. In case Active Directory integration was successfully completed before, you can optionally click **Remove AD Integration** to cancel the AD integration.

Note
The **Remove AD Integration** option is disabled if AD integration is not configured.

i. Click **Apply** after you're done.



j. On the **Users** page of the wizard, proceed with [adding an Active Directory user](#).

Notes

- You can add up to 10 AD domains and up to 5.000 AD groups to your solution. Refer to [“Navigating AD Domains View” on page 402](#) and [“Navigating AD Groups View” on page 402](#) for more details about how to work with AD domains and groups.
- A new domain must be assigned a unique name.
- A new AD domain will be added to the list of Active Directory domains and displayed for the corresponding user on the **Users** tab.
- After a new AD domain is added, new AD groups that belong to this domain are created.
- After the existing AD domain is edited/changed, the AD groups that belong to this domain are edited/changed accordingly, for example:
 - If the AD groups are no longer associated with any AD domain, they are deleted.
 - After the items belonging to the AD groups marked as deleted are removed from the product (for example, by another user), these AD groups are deleted.

When the wizard closes, the **Users & Roles** page opens, displaying the newly-added Active Directory users in the list of users.

Disabling Active Directory User

Follow the steps below to disable an Active Directory user:

1. Go to **Settings > General > Users & Roles**.
2. The **Users & Roles** page opens in the **Users** view. Hover over the Active Directory user you want to disable, and then click the ... (ellipsis) button in the rightmost column of the row.
3. In the menu that opens, click **Disable**.
4. In the dialog box that opens, click **Disable** to confirm that you want to disable the Active Directory user.

The Active Directory user appears dimmed in the list of users.

Note

You cannot enable the AD user if its parent AD group is disabled.

Editing Active Directory User

Follow the steps below to edit an Active Directory user:

1. Go to **Settings > General > Users & Roles**.

The **Users & Roles** page opens in the **Users** view. In the list of users, do either of the following:

- a. Locate the Active Directory user and click its name.
 - b. Hover over the Active Directory user, click the ... (ellipsis) button in the rightmost column of the row.
 - c. Click **Edit**.
2. The **Edit Active Directory User** page opens. Edit the Active Directory user properties if necessary:
 - a. In the **General** tab, edit the user.
 - b. In the **Role** tab, edit the user role.
 - c. Click **Save** to save your modifications to the Active Directory user.

Managing Local Users

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can freely add, edit, disable, delete local users, or assign a role to them. For details, refer to the topics below:

- [“Adding Local Users” on page 413](#)
- [“Assigning Role to Local User” on page 416](#)
- [“Deleting Local User” on page 417](#)
- [“Disabling Local User” on page 418](#)
- [“Editing Local User” on page 419](#)

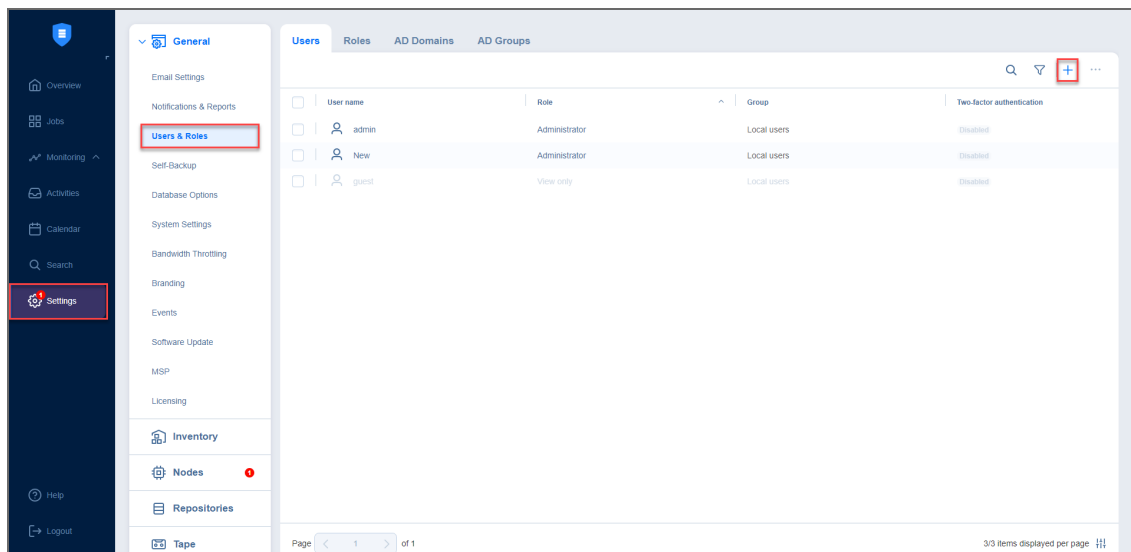
The application has the following built-in local users:

- **admin**: This user has the **Administrator** role assigned. You cannot delete it, disable it, or assign another role.
- **guest**: This user has the **View only** role assigned, with configurable file and object recovery permissions. By default, the account is disabled.

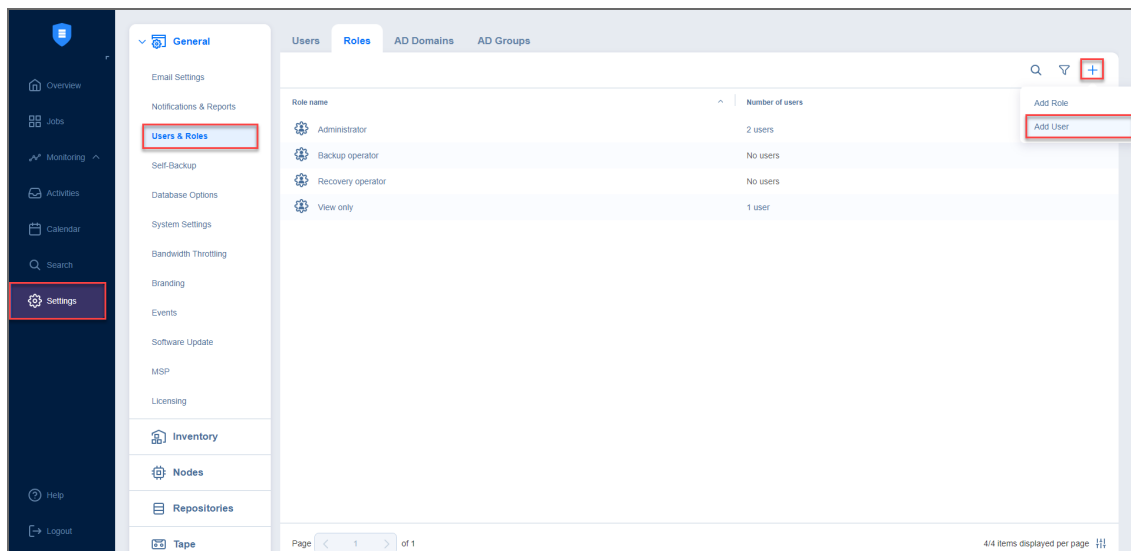
Adding Local Users

Follow the steps below to add a local user:

1. Go to **Settings > General > Users & Roles**
2. The **Users & Roles** page opens on the **Users** tab.
3. Click the **+** icon.



Alternatively, you can switch to the **Roles** tab, click on the "+" icon and select **Add User**.



4. The **Add Local User** page opens. Proceed as follows:
 - a. In the **Username** box, enter the user name.
 - b. In the **Name** box, enter the user's real name.
 - c. In the **Password** box, enter the user password. To generate a password automatically and send it to the user, select **Generate password and send by email**.
 - d. In the **Repeat password** box, re-enter the user password.

- e. In the **Email** box, enter the user’s email address.
- f. In the **Description** box, optionally enter a user description.

The screenshot shows a web form titled "Add Local User". On the left, there is a vertical sidebar with two tabs: "1 General" (selected) and "2 Role". The main content area contains the following fields and options:

- Username:** A text input field.
- Name:** A text input field.
- Password:** A text input field with a visibility toggle icon.
- Repeat password:** A text input field with a visibility toggle icon.
- Generate password and send by email**
- Email:** A text input field.
- Description:** A larger text input area.

At the bottom right of the form, there are two buttons: "Cancel" and "Next".

- g. Click **Next** to proceed to the **Role** Tab.
- h. In the **Access level** dropdown list, select an access level for the new user (for multi-tenant solutions only).
- i. In the **Role** dropdown list, select a user role. Refer to [“Managing User Roles” on page 421](#) for more details about user roles.

j. In the lower right corner of the page, click **Finish**. The local user will appear in the list of users.

Add Local User

General

2 Role

Role: Administrator

Calendar	Administrator	Full access
Activities	Backup operator	Full access
Global Search	Recovery operator	Full access
	View only	
Configuration	Run/stop job	Full access
	Create job	Full access
Jobs	Edit job	Full access
User profile	Edit job source	Full access
Help and Support	Edit job target	Full access
Aptare Report Generation	Edit job schedule	Full access
Monitoring	Edit job retention	Full access

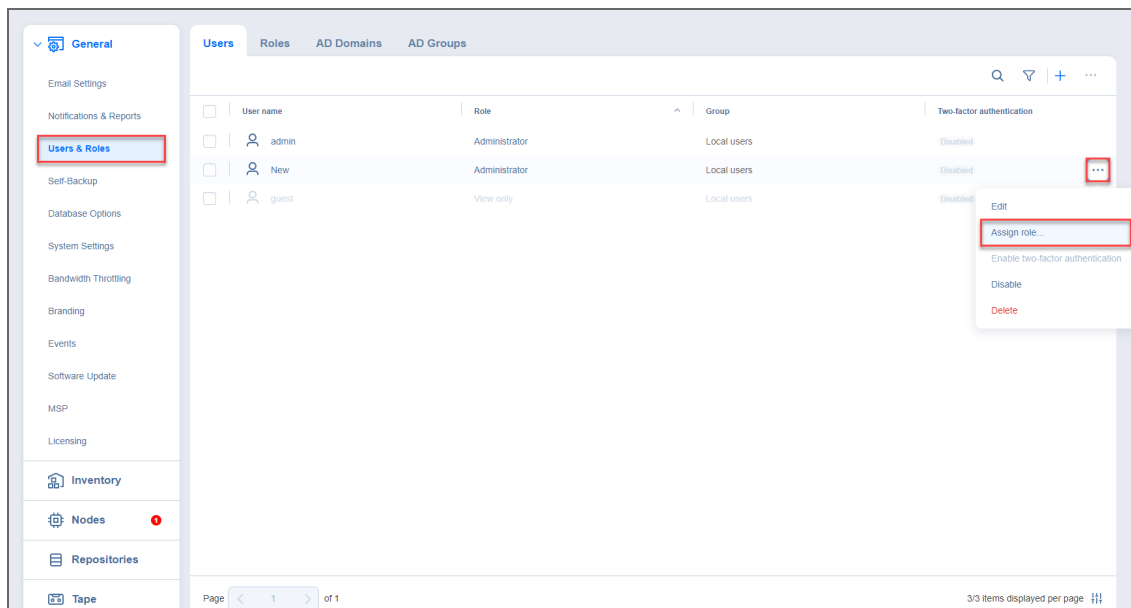
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Assigning Role to Local User

Follow the steps below to assign a role to a local user:

1. Go to **Settings > General > Users & Roles**.
2. The **Users & Roles** page opens in the **Users** view. Hover over the local user, and then click the ... (ellipsis) button in the rightmost cell of the row.
3. In the resulting menu, click **Assign role**.
4. In the dialog box that opens, select a new user role from the **Role** drop-down list and then click **Save**.

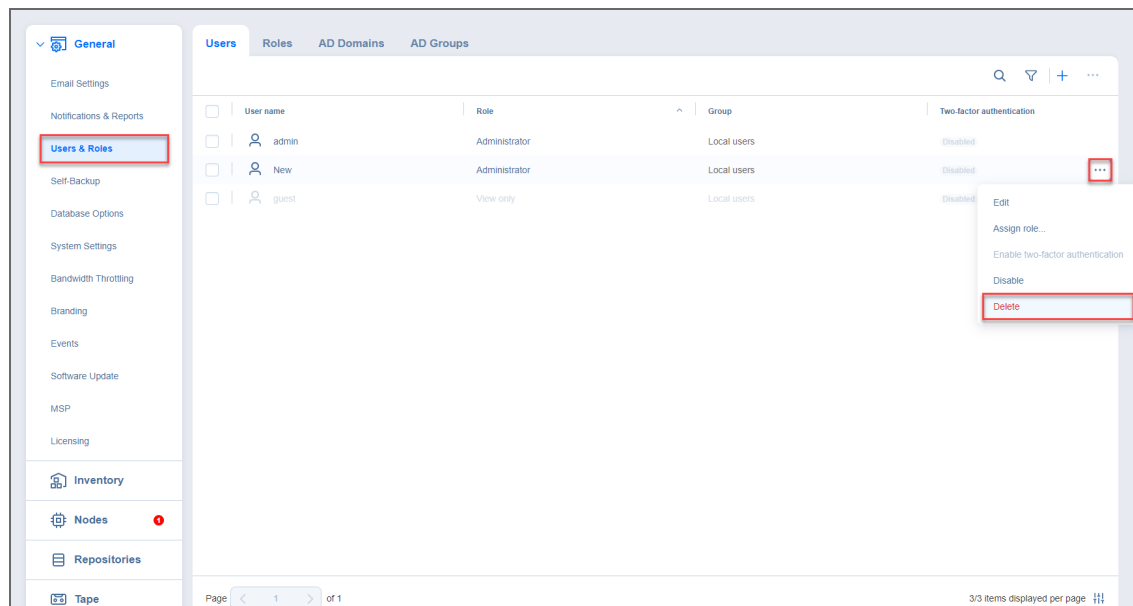
The local user will appear in the list of users with the assigned role.



Deleting Local User

Follow the steps below to delete a local user:

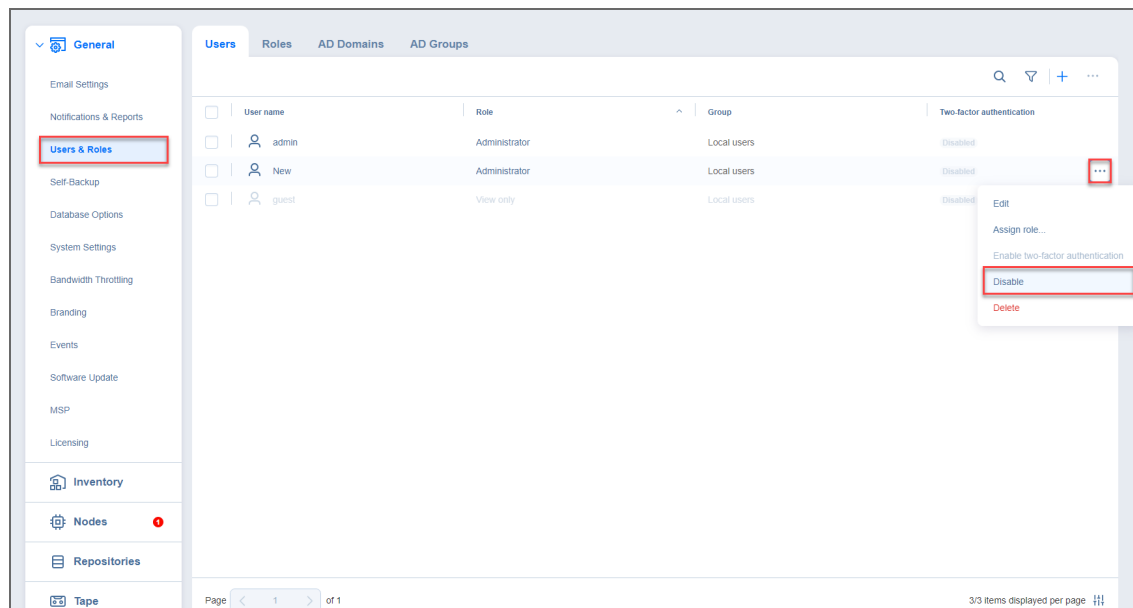
1. Go to **Settings > General > Users & Roles**.
2. The **Users & Roles** page opens in the **Users** view. Hover over the local user you wish to be deleted, and then click the ... (ellipsis) icon in the rightmost cell of the row.
3. In the resulting menu, click **Delete**.
4. In the dialog box that opens, click **Delete** again to delete the local user. The user will disappear from the list of users.



Disabling Local User

Follow the steps below to disable a local user:

1. Go to **Settings > General > Users & Roles**.
2. The **Users & Roles** page opens in the **Users** view. Hover over the local user you wish to be disabled, and then click the ... (ellipsis) button in the rightmost cell of the row.
3. In the resulting menu, click **Disable**.
4. In the dialog box that opens, click **Disable** again to disable the local user. The user will appear dimmed in the list of local users.

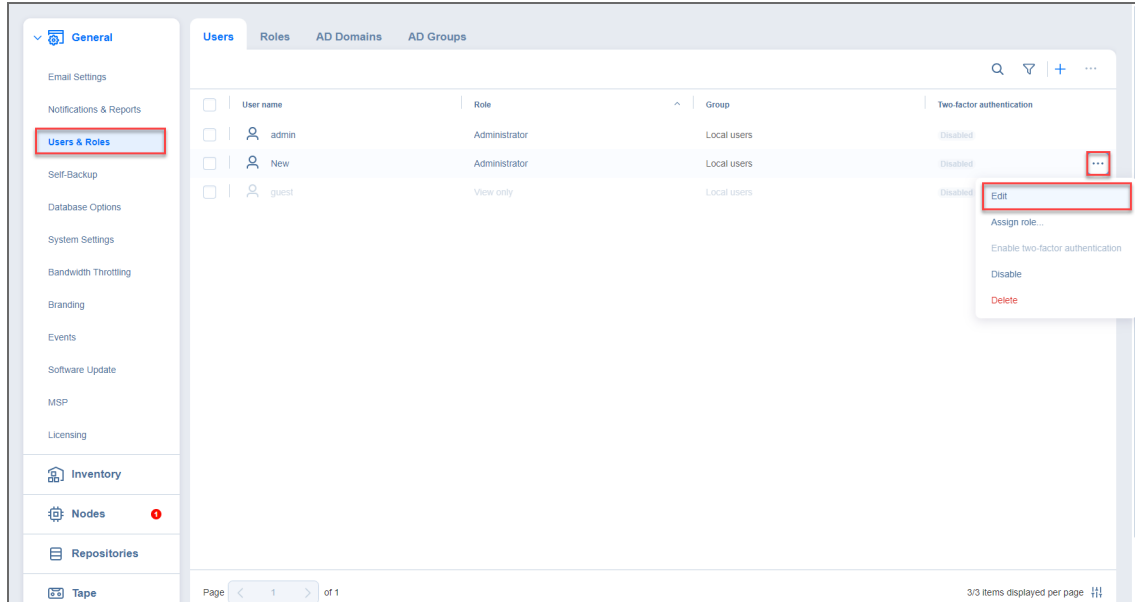


The disabled user cannot log in to the product.

Editing Local User

Please follow the steps below to edit a local user:

1. Go to **Settings > General > Users & Roles**.
2. The **Users & Roles** page opens in the **Users** view. In the list of users, do either of the following:
 - a. Locate the local user that you want to edit and click on the user name.
 - b. Hover over the local user and click the ... (ellipsis) button in the rightmost cell of the row. In the resulting menu, click **Edit**.



3. The **Edit User** page opens. Edit the local user properties if needed:
 - a. In the **Username** box, edit the user name.
 - b. In the **Name** box, edit the user's real name.
 - c. In the **Password** box, edit the user password.
 - d. If you edited the user password, re-enter the user password in the **Repeat password** box.
 - e. In the **Email** box, edit the user's email address.
 - f. Optionally, enable **Two-factor authentication**.

Note

This feature is disabled when no email address has been provided for the user.

- g. In the **Description** box, edit the user description.
- h. In the **Role** tab, edit the user's role.
- i. Click **Save** to save your modifications to the local user.

The screenshot shows a web interface for editing a user. The title is "Edit User: New Guest". On the left, there are two tabs: "General" (selected) and "Role". The main form area contains the following fields and controls:

- Username:** Text input field containing "Guest".
- Name:** Text input field containing "New Guest".
- Password:** Password input field with masked characters.
- Repeat password:** Password input field with masked characters.
- Email:** Text input field containing "guest@gmail.com" and a "Verify" button.
- Two-factor authentication:** A checked checkbox followed by a "Not configured" button and a "Configure" button with an information icon.
- Description:** A large empty text area.

At the bottom right of the form, there are "Cancel" and "Save" buttons.

Managing User Roles

A user role with full access to the **User management** permission is assigned to your user profile to manage user roles. You cannot edit or delete the user role that is assigned to your user profile. The following topics describe how to manage roles of NAKIVO Backup & Replication users in detail:

- [“Overview of User Roles” on page 422](#)
- [“Adding User Role” on page 424](#)
- [“Editing User Role” on page 426](#)
- [“Cloning User Role” on page 428](#)
- [“Deleting User Role” on page 429](#)

Overview of User Roles

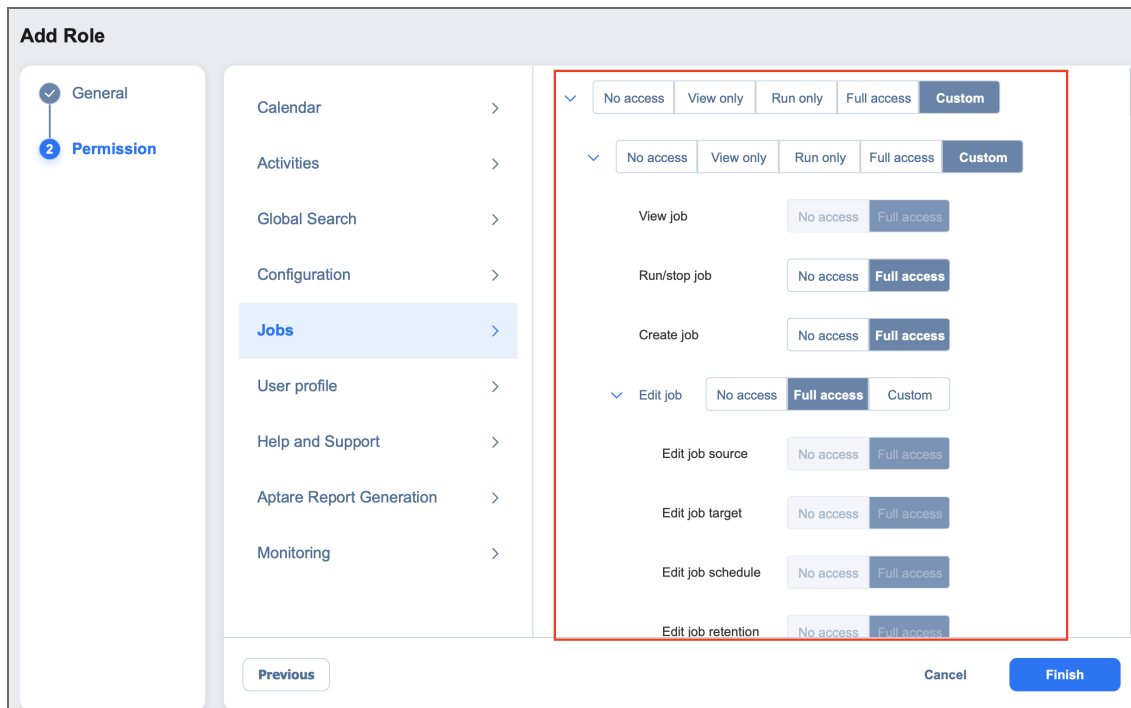
NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to assign roles and grant specific permissions to users of the product.

- [User Roles](#)
- [Access Levels](#)
- [Built-in User Roles](#)

User Roles

A user role consists of a set of permissions that can be granted to a NAKIVO Backup & Replication user. Available permissions are grouped by the following product objects:

- **Calendar:** Contains permissions for accessing the **Calendar** dashboard.
- **Activities:** Contains permissions for accessing the **Activities** dashboard.
- **Global Search:** Contains permissions for accessing **Global Search**.
- **Configuration:** Contains a series of permissions for accessing configuration of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
- **Jobs:** Contains a series of permissions for managing jobs.
- **User profile:** Contains a series of permissions for managing user profile.
- **Help and Support:** Contains a series of permissions for accessing email support, online help center, chat support, and system information.
- **Aptare Report Generation:** Contains permissions for managing Aptare report generation.
- **Monitoring:** Contains permissions for managing the **Monitoring** feature.



Access Levels

There are the following access levels that can be set up for particular permission:

- **No access:** The user cannot view, edit, and run the commands, neither from the graphical interface nor from the command line.
- **View only:** The user can view the commands in the graphical interface but cannot edit or run them; using the command line, the user can only run the commands that do not change NAKIVO Backup & Replication objects.
- **Run only:** The user can only view and run commands, both from the graphical interface and the command line.
- **Full access:** The user can view, edit, and run the commands, both from the graphical interface and the command line.
- **Custom:** A custom set of permissions is configured for a product object.

Built-In User Roles

The product offers you a number of built-in user roles:

- Backup operator
- Recovery operator
- Self-service administrator
- Self-service user
- View only

Note

For editions other than Enterprise Plus, the roles **Backup operator**, **Recovery operator**, and custom roles are not available.

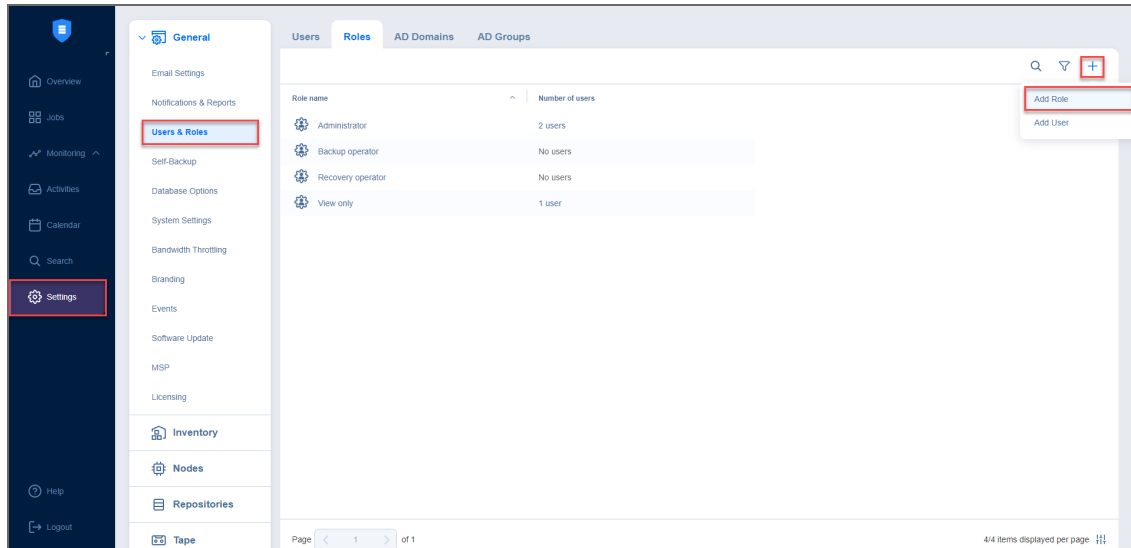
Built-in user roles can be used for performing typical user management tasks. If you need an extra level of security, you can [add a new user role](#) or take a built-in user role as a starting point by [cloning](#) it.

The user profile can only have a single role assigned.

Adding User Role

Follow the steps below to add a user role:

1. Go to **Settings > General > Users & Roles**.
2. On the **Users & Roles** page, switch to the **Roles** tab.
3. Click the **+** icon and then select **Add Role**.



4. The **Add Role** page opens. Proceed as follows:
 - a. In the **Role name** box, enter the role name.

Note

In the Multi-tenant mode, every local tenant must have a unique role name.

- b. If you are working with a multi-tenant environment, choose either a tenant, master tenant, or all tenants, from the **Access level** list.
- c. In the **Description** box, optionally enter a user description.

Note

For editions other than Enterprise Plus, the roles **Backup operator**, **Recovery operator**, and custom roles are not available.

Add Role

1 General

2 Permission

Role name:

Description:

Cancel **Next**

- d. Click **Next** to proceed to the **Permission** tab.
- e. A list of permissions opens. Specify necessary permissions for the user role.

Add Role

General

2 **Permission**

Calendar >

Activities >

Global Search >

Configuration >

Jobs >

User profile >

Help and Support >

Aptare Report Generation >

Monitoring >

No access View only Run only Full access Custom

No access View only Run only Full access Custom

No access View only Run only Full access Custom

View job

Run/stop job

Create job

No access Full access Custom

Edit job source

Edit job target

Edit job schedule

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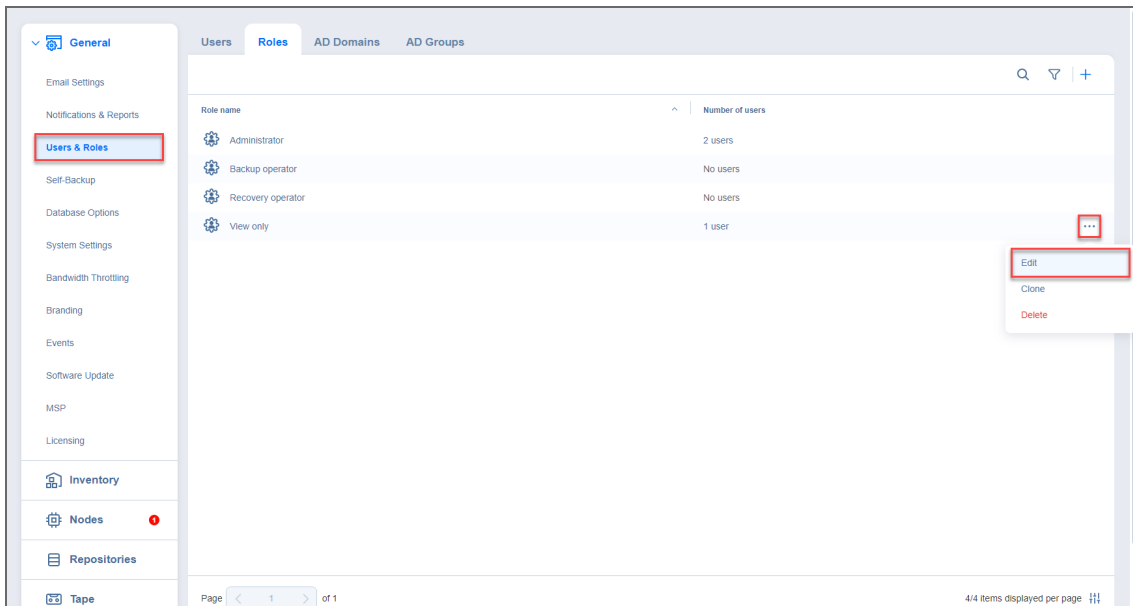
- f. Click **Finish** in the lower right corner of the page.

The user role appears in the list of roles.

Editing User Role

Follow the steps below to edit a user role:

1. Go to **Settings > General > Users & Roles**.
2. On the **Users & Roles** page, switch to the **Roles** tab.
3. In the list of roles, do either of the following:
 - a. Locate the user role and click on it.
 - b. Hover over the user role, click the ... (ellipsis) button in the rightmost column of the row, and click **Edit**.



4. The **Edit Role** page opens. Edit the user role properties if needed:
 - a. In the **Role name** box, edit the user role name.
 - b. If you are working with a multi-tenant environment, you can change the access level for this role by choosing another tenant, master tenant, or all tenants in the **Access level** list.
 - c. In the **Description** box, edit the user description.
 - d. You can view the **Number of users** with this role, as well as view a full list by clicking the **x users** button.
 - e. In the **Permissions** tab, you can edit all necessary permissions for the user role.

f. When finished, click **Save** in the lower right corner of the page.

The screenshot shows the 'Add Role' configuration interface. On the left, a sidebar contains two tabs: 'General' and '2 Permission'. The 'Permission' tab is active. The main area is divided into two columns. The left column lists system features: Calendar, Activities, Global Search, Configuration, **Jobs** (highlighted with a red border), User profile, Help and Support, Aptare Report Generation, and Monitoring. The right column shows access level options for these features. At the top, there are five buttons: 'No access', 'View only', 'Run only', 'Full access', and 'Custom'. Below this, there are three rows of feature-specific access options:

- Row 1: 'View job' with 'No access' and 'Full access' buttons.
- Row 2: 'Run/stop job' with 'No access' and 'Full access' buttons.
- Row 3: 'Create job' with 'No access' and 'Full access' buttons.

Below these, there is a section for 'Edit job' with a dropdown arrow and three buttons: 'No access', 'Full access', and 'Custom'. Underneath are three more rows of feature-specific access options:

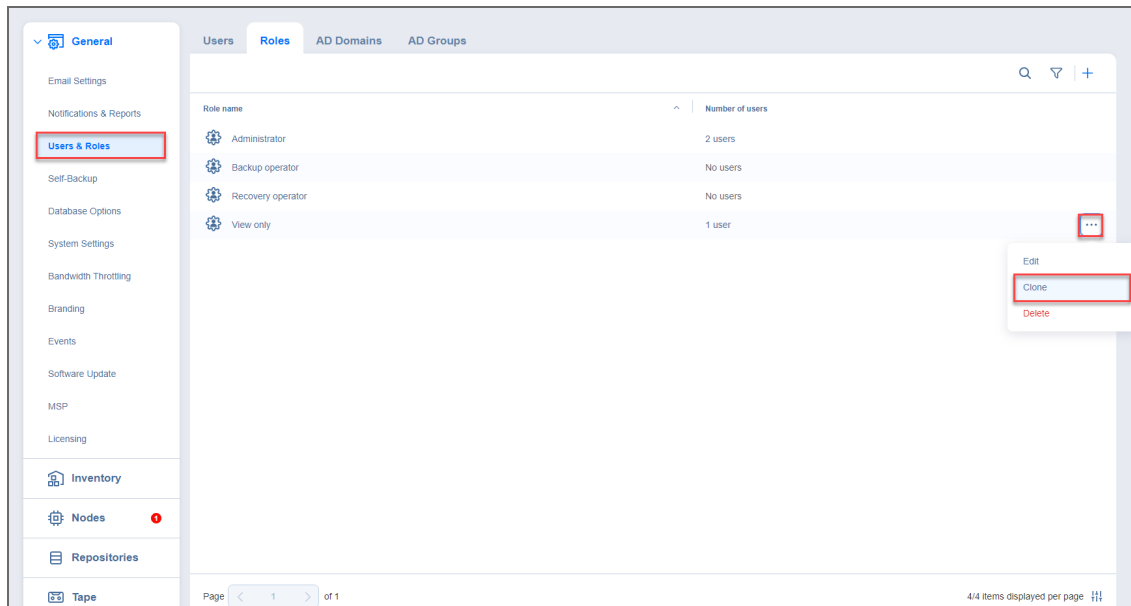
- Row 4: 'Edit job source' with 'No access' and 'Full access' buttons.
- Row 5: 'Edit job target' with 'No access' and 'Full access' buttons.
- Row 6: 'Edit job schedule' with 'No access' and 'Full access' buttons.

At the bottom of the page, there are three buttons: 'Previous', 'Cancel', and 'Finish'.

Cloning User Role

Follow the steps below to clone a user role:

1. Go to **Settings > General > Users & Roles**.
2. On the **Users & Roles** page, switch to the **Roles** tab.
3. Hover over the user role, click the ... (ellipsis) button in the rightmost column of the row and then click **Clone**.
4. A dialog opens asking you to enter the name of the new user role. Enter the name of the new user role and click **Save**.

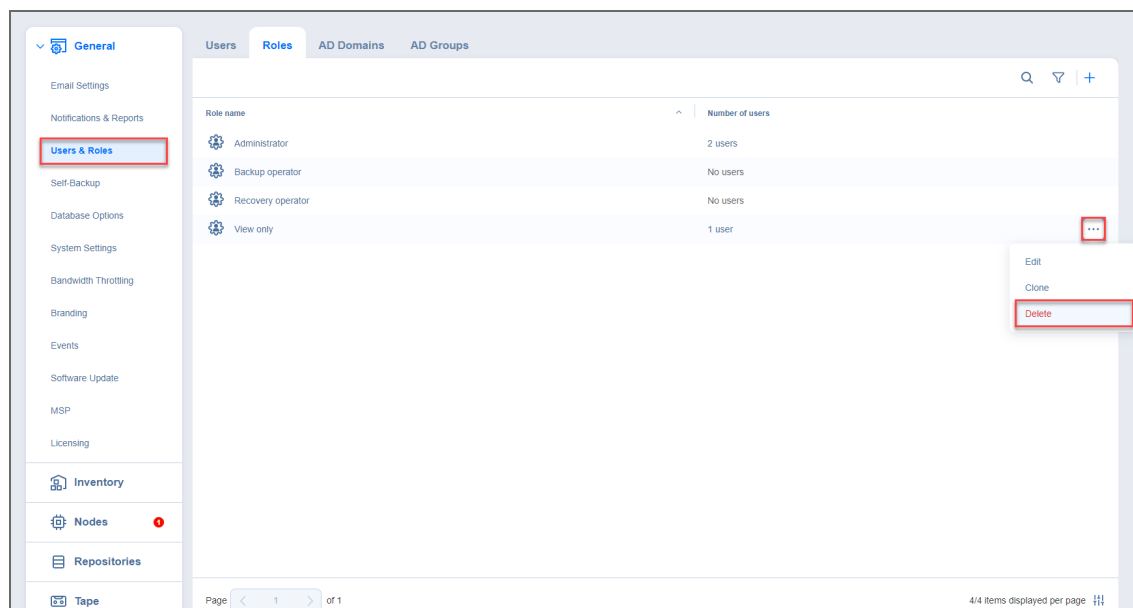


The new user role appears in the list of roles.

Deleting User Role

Follow the steps below to delete a user role:

1. Go to **Settings > General > Users & Roles**.
2. On the **Users & Roles** page, switch to the **Roles** tab.
3. Hover over the user role, click the ... (ellipsis) button in the rightmost column of the row and then click **Delete**.
4. In the dialog box that opens, click **Delete** to confirm deletion of the local user.



The user role disappears from the list of roles.

Configuring Two-Factor Authentication

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to add an additional layer of security with two-factor authentication (2FA). For details, refer to the topics below:

- [Enabling Two-Factor Authentication](#)
- [Managing Two-Factor Authentication](#)
- [Setting Up Google Authenticator](#)

Enabling Two-Factor Authentication

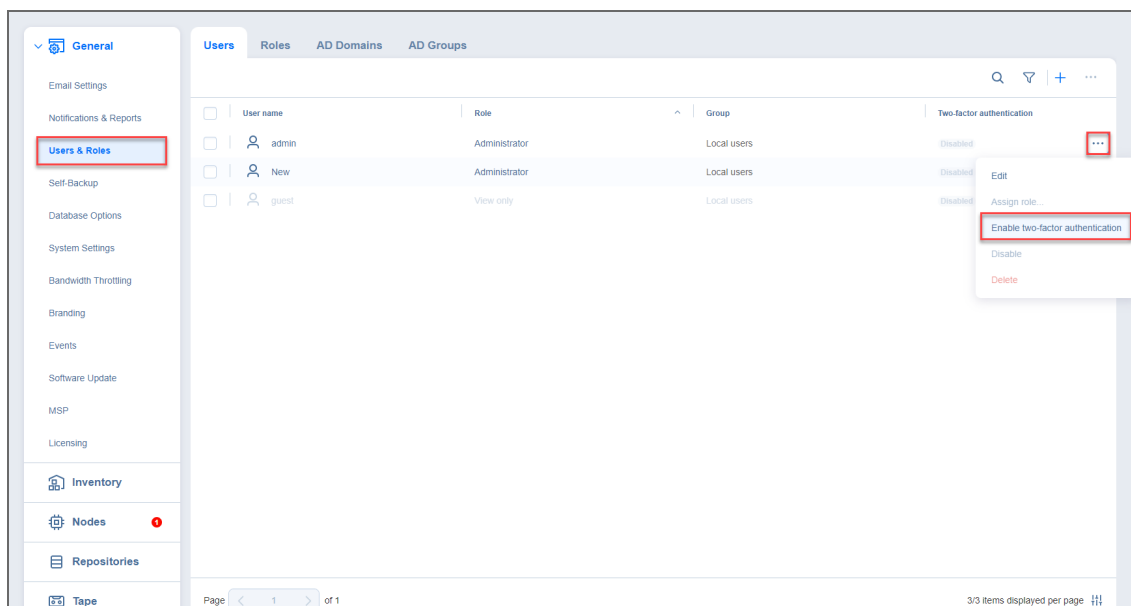
Two-factor authentication can be enabled in either of the following pages:

- On the **Editing local user** page, select the **Two-factor authentication** checkbox.

Notes

- Users without **User management** permission cannot enable Two-factor authentication.
- Users without **Administrator** role or **Configuration** permission can only configure Two-factor authentication on the login screen of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
- It is possible to enable Two-factor authentication only after configuring **Email Notifications**.

- On the **Users** view, hover over user's name and select **Manage > Enable two-factor authentication**.

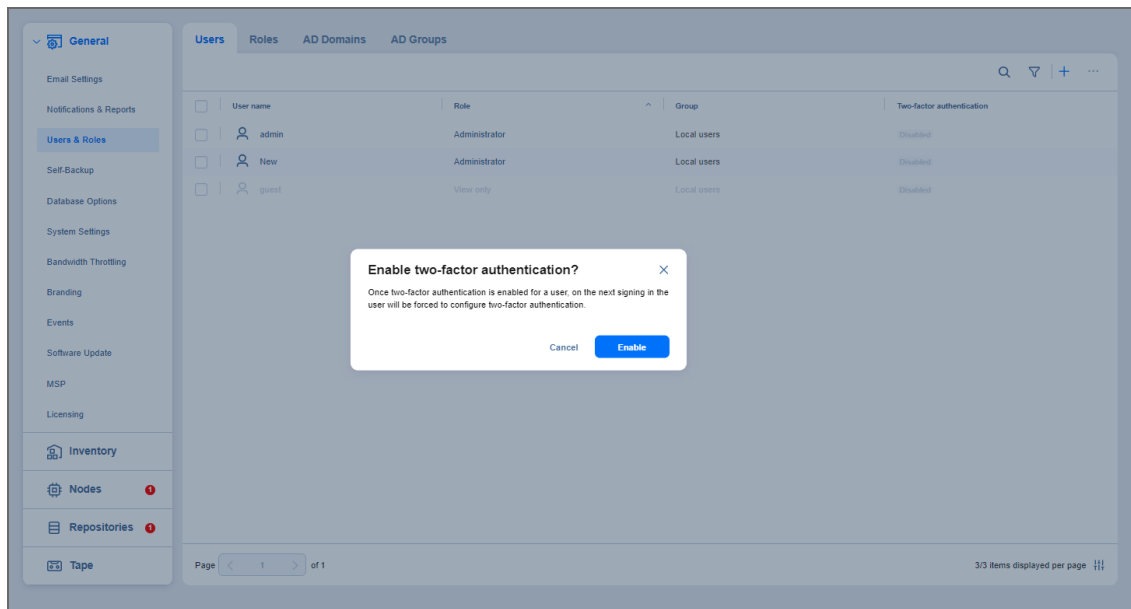


Note

- Once two-factor authentication is enabled but not configured for a user, on the next signing in the user will be forced to configure it.

Proceed with configuring two-factor authentication:

1. Click **Enable** in the dialogue window that appears.



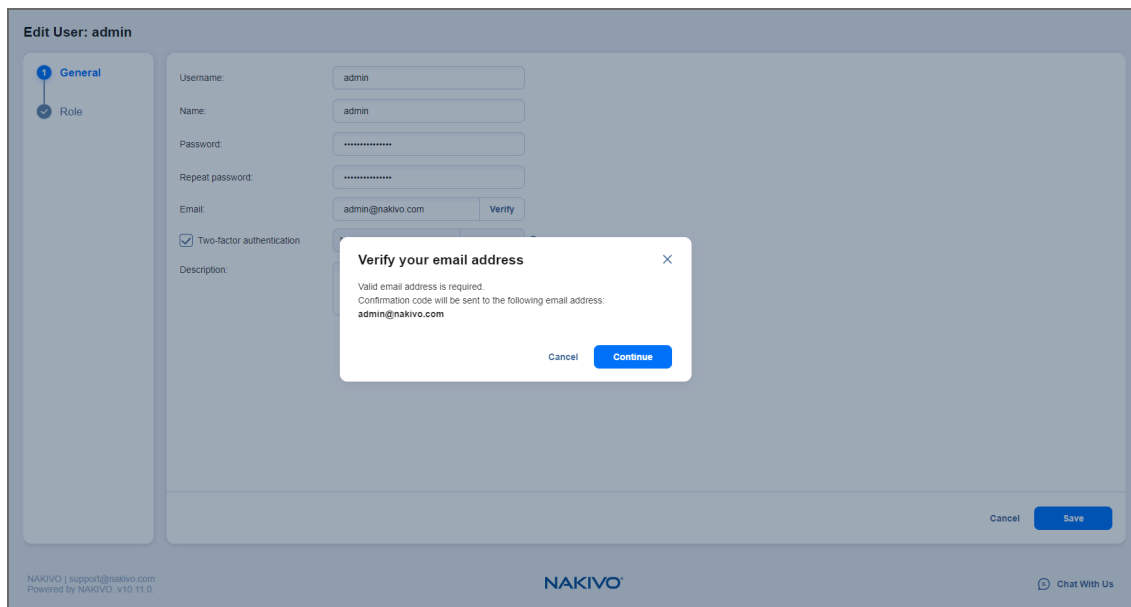
Note

- The two-factor authentication feature is disabled for MSP users drilled down into an ST instance (remote tenant).

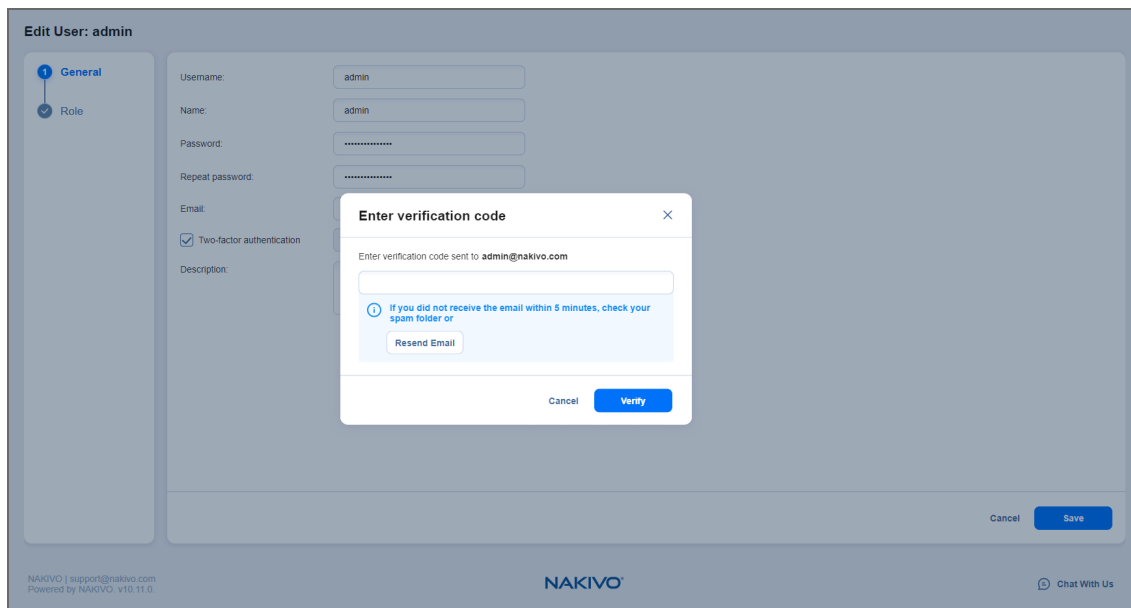
2. Click **Continue** in the **Verify your email address** popup that appears.

Note

- Optionally, you can enter the new email address for the user.
- Also, you can select **Configure** to proceed with [2FA configuration](#).



3. Enter the verification code that was sent to the specified email address, and click **Verify**.



4. Optionally, enter the alternative email address that can be used in case the primary one becomes unavailable, and select **Continue**. Alternatively, select **Skip** to skip this step.
5. If you have entered the alternative email address during the previous step, enter the verification code that was sent to the specified email, and click **Continue** to proceed with [Google Authenticator configuration](#). Alternatively, when configuring 2FA on the [Editing local user](#) page, select **Cancel** on the **Get Google Authenticator** popup to set up Google Authenticator later.

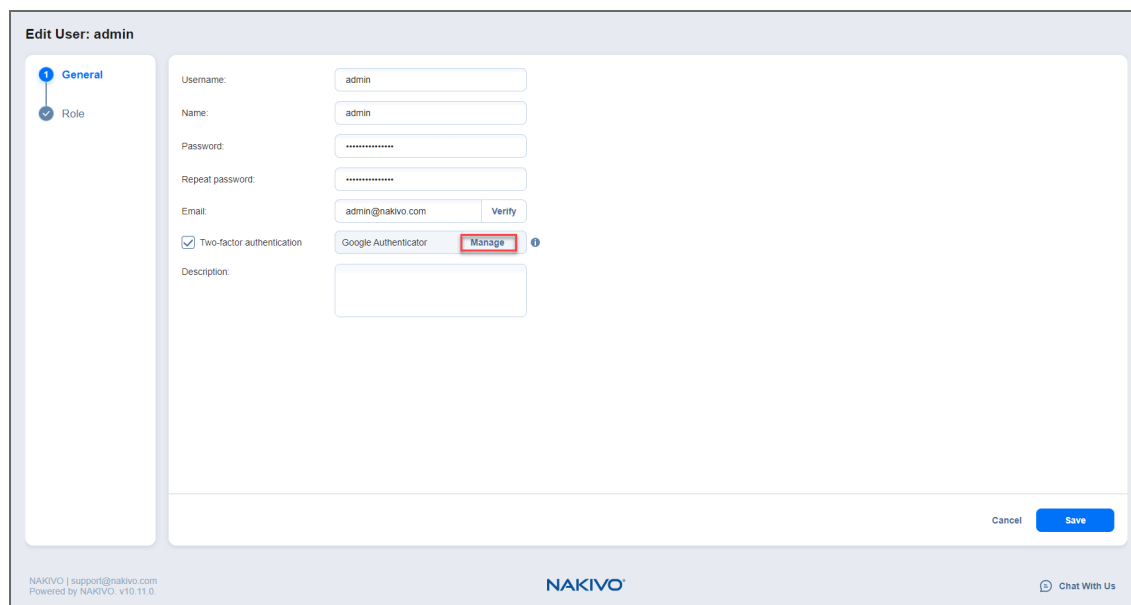
Note

When configuring 2FA on the login screen, clicking **Cancel** returns you to the main login screen.

Managing Two-Factor Authentication

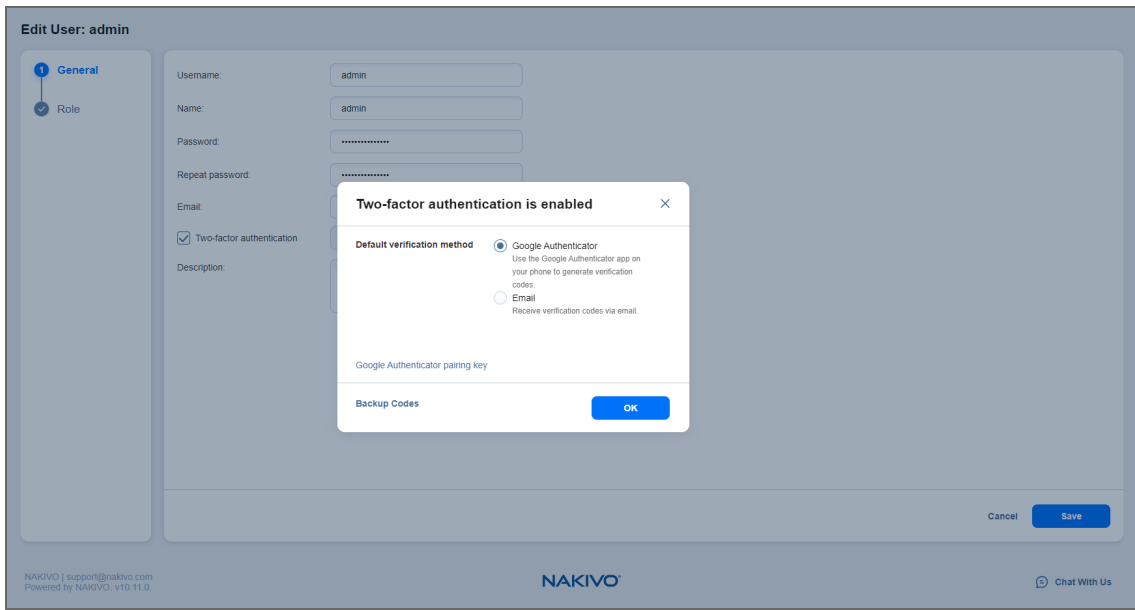
You can manage two-factor authentication in the following way:

1. Click the **Manage** link to the right of **Two-factor authentication** checkbox.



The screenshot shows the 'Edit User: admin' interface. On the left, there is a sidebar with 'General' and 'Role' tabs. The main area contains a form with the following fields: Username (admin), Name (admin), Password (masked), Repeat password (masked), Email (admin@nakivo.com with a 'Verify' button), Two-factor authentication (checked), and Description (empty). The 'Two-factor authentication' section is expanded to show 'Google Authenticator' with a 'Manage' link highlighted in a red box. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Save' buttons. The footer includes 'NAKIVO | support@nakivo.com', 'Powered by NAKIVO: v10.11.0', the 'NAKIVO' logo, and a 'Chat With Us' button.

2. Choose one of the following verification methods:
 - **Google Authenticator:** Choose this option to use the Google Authenticator app to generate verification codes. Optionally, click on the **Google Authenticator pairing key** link to see your pairing key or on the **Backup codes** link to view your backup codes.
 - **Email:** Choose this option to receive verification codes via email. Optionally, you can view and change your primary email and add an alternative email by clicking the **add** link. Here you can also view your backup codes by clicking the **Backup codes** link.

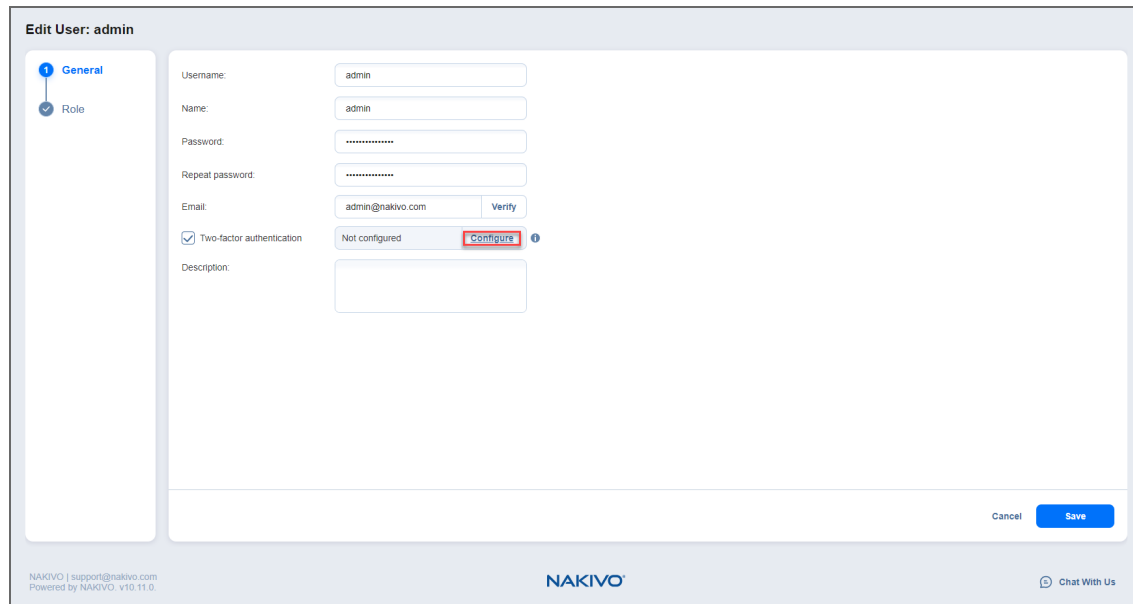


3. Click **OK** when you're done.

Setting Up Google Authenticator

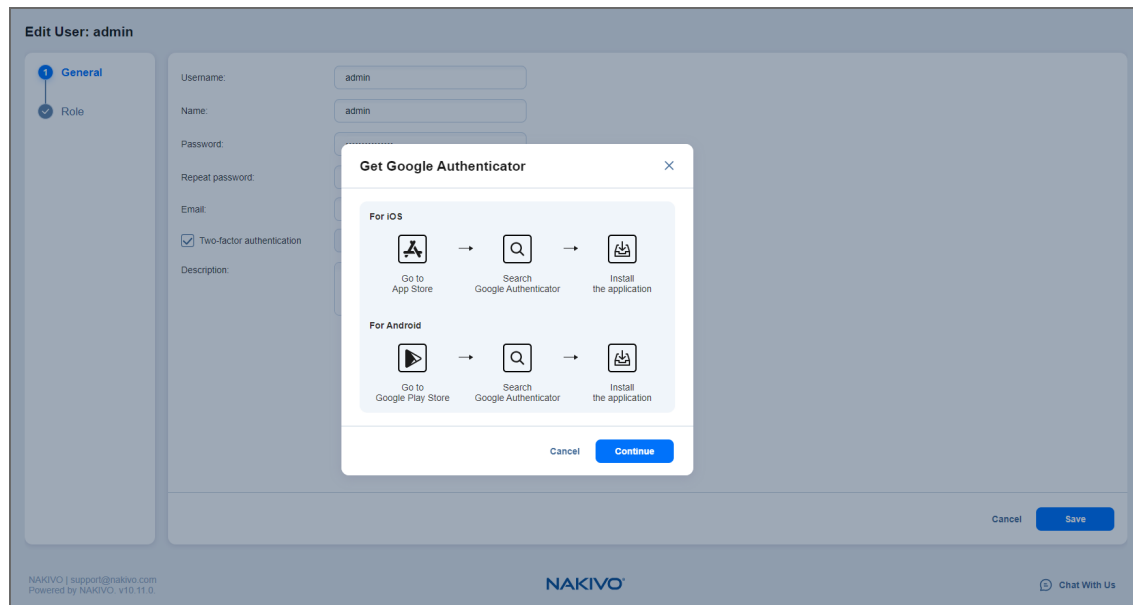
NAKIVO Backup & Replication uses Google Authenticator for two-factor authentication. To set up Google Authenticator, do the following:

1. Optionally, if you selected **Cancel** on the **Get Google Authenticator** popup, click the **Configure** link to the right of the **Two-factor authentication** checkbox if you are configuring.



The screenshot shows the 'Edit User: admin' interface. On the left, there are tabs for 'General' and 'Role'. The main form contains fields for Username (admin), Name (admin), Password (masked), Repeat password (masked), Email (admin@nakivo.com with a 'Verify' button), and Description. The 'Two-factor authentication' checkbox is checked, and the text 'Not configured' is displayed next to it. A red box highlights the 'Configure' link to the right of this text. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Save' buttons. The footer includes 'NAKIVO | support@nakivo.com Powered by NAKIVO v10.11.0' and a 'Chat With Us' button.

2. Follow the instructions in the popup window to download and install Google Authenticator.



The screenshot shows the same 'Edit User: admin' interface as above, but with a 'Get Google Authenticator' popup window overlaid in the center. The popup has a title bar with a close button (X). It contains instructions for both iOS and Android. For iOS, it shows a sequence: 'Go to App Store' (App Store icon) → 'Search Google Authenticator' (Search icon) → 'Install the application' (App Store icon). For Android, it shows: 'Go to Google Play Store' (Play Store icon) → 'Search Google Authenticator' (Search icon) → 'Install the application' (Play Store icon). At the bottom of the popup are 'Cancel' and 'Continue' buttons. The background form is dimmed. The footer is the same as in the previous screenshot.

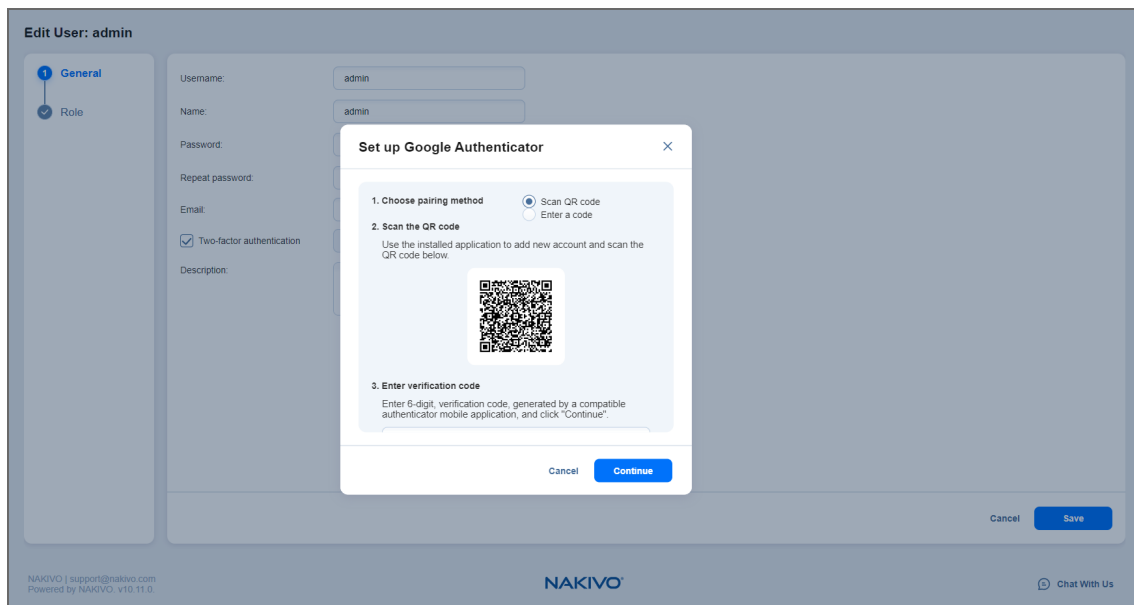
3. Add your NAKIVO Backup & Replication user account to Google Authenticator. Use one of the following methods:

- Select **Scan QR Code** option, and scan the QR code in the popup window.
- Select **Enter a Code** option, and follow the instructions in the popup window to enter the shown code into the Google Authenticator app.
- A popup window appears containing the pairing key, which can be used for adding multiple devices to your account.

Important
It is highly recommended that you save the pairing key or write it down.

You have the following options:

- Optionally, click on the **copy the Key** link to copy your key and save it for future use.
- Optionally, click on the **download pairing information** link to download and save instructions on how to use the pairing key.
- Click **Continue** when you're done.



4. The **Backup codes** popup window with four backup codes appears. These one-time codes can be used to log in when you are unable to provide a verification code. Click on the **download as PDF** link to download and save these codes in PDF format or write them down. Additionally, you can click the **generate backup codes** link to generate new codes. Click **Continue**.
5. Enter one of the backup codes in the next popup window to confirm that you have saved them, and click **Finish**.

Notes

- The backup code used in this step remains valid for one more use.
- The **Manage** link replaces the **Configure** link after this step has been completed.

Inventory

Prior to creating backup, replication, or recovery jobs, you need to add your virtual/cloud/physical infrastructure, Microsoft 365 account, Oracle database, or supported storage device to the product's **Inventory**. The discovered item is added to the internal product database, which is refreshed every 1 hour by default. The **Inventory** tab contains a **Summary** bar, which offers an overview of all **Inventory** items. The data displayed is as follows:

- **Issues:** Total number of issues/alarms related to **Inventory** items
- **Items:** Total number of items in the **Inventory**

Inventory Items	Details
vCenter 10.84.84.9	10 hosts, 793 VMs, 0 VM templates
e365 group	311 mailboxes
e365	90 mailboxes
Windows Physical	40.0 GB
Wasabi	247 buckets
vCenter 10.30.21.8	4 hosts, 478 VMs, 28 VM templates
VCloud 10.84.0.84	2 organizations, 2 virtual datacenters, 9 vApps, 11 VMs
Oracle 10.30.23.32	3.6 GB
Nutanix AHV	3 hosts, 162 VMs
HyperV 10.30.40.65	1 host, 8 VMs
HPE SPAR 10.10.11.50	Refreshing: 10%
CIFS P4M on 10.84.100.100	10.84.100.100/For-P4M-NBR-10.30.23.43

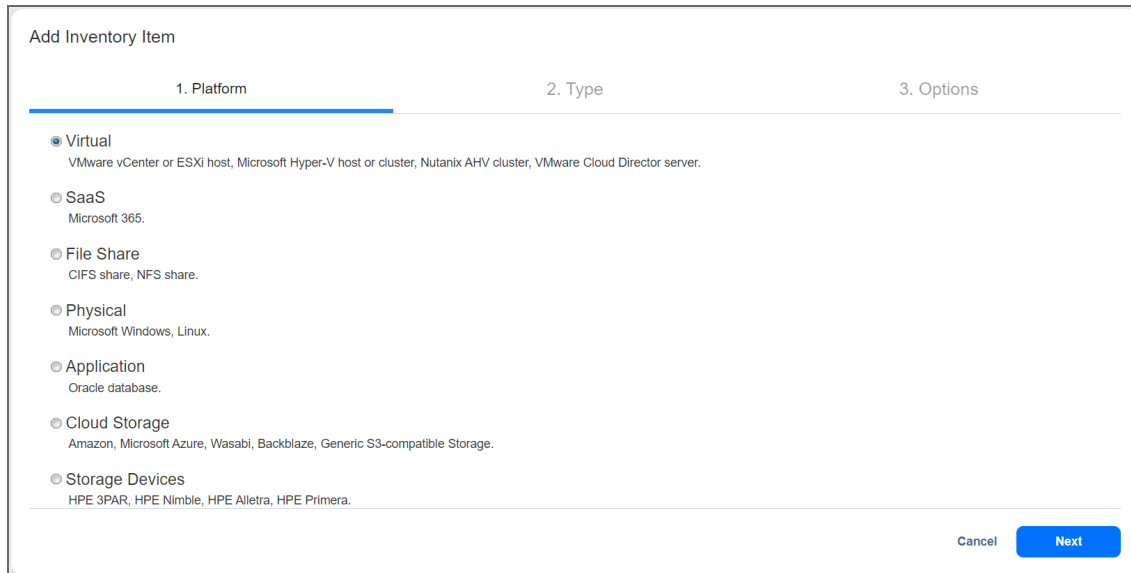
Refer to the following sections to learn more about adding and managing **Inventory** items:

- [“Adding VMware vCenters and ESXi hosts” on page 439](#)
- [“Adding Amazon EC2 Accounts” on page 440](#)
- [“Adding Generic S3-Compatible Object Storage ” on page 442](#)
- [“Adding Wasabi Accounts” on page 444](#)
- [“Adding Backblaze Accounts” on page 447](#)
- [“Adding Microsoft Azure Storage Accounts” on page 452](#)
- [“Adding HPE 3PAR Storage Devices to Inventory” on page 466](#)
- [“Adding HPE Nimble Storage Devices to Inventory” on page 467](#)
- [“Adding HPE Primera Storage Devices to Inventory” on page 469](#)
- [“Adding HPE Alletra Storage Devices to Inventory” on page 471](#)
- [“Managing Inventory” on page 474](#)
- [“Managing Credentials” on page 479](#)

Adding VMware vCenters and ESXi hosts

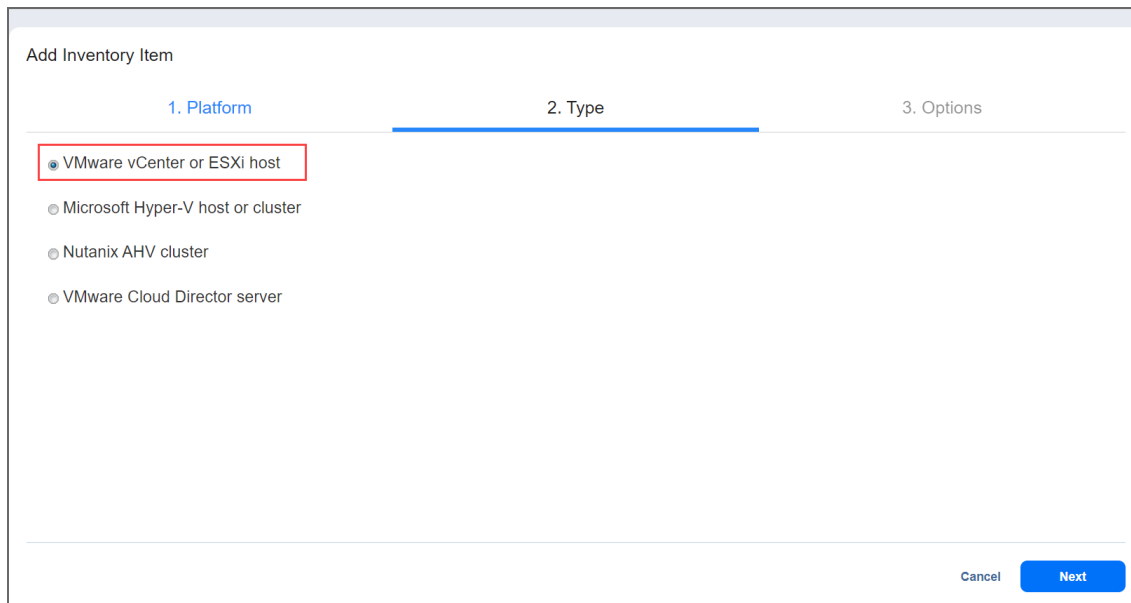
To add VMware vCenter servers and standalone ESXi hosts to the product, follow the steps below:

1. Navigate to **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Inventory** page and click **+**.
3. On the **Platform** page, select **Virtual** and then click **Next** to proceed.



The screenshot shows the 'Add Inventory Item' dialog box with three steps: 1. Platform, 2. Type, and 3. Options. Step 1 is active. The 'Virtual' option is selected, with a sub-description: 'VMware vCenter or ESXi host, Microsoft Hyper-V host or cluster, Nutanix AHV cluster, VMware Cloud Director server.' Other options include SaaS (Microsoft 365), File Share (CIFS share, NFS share), Physical (Microsoft Windows, Linux), Application (Oracle database), Cloud Storage (Amazon, Microsoft Azure, Wasabi, Backblaze, Generic S3-compatible Storage), and Storage Devices (HPE 3PAR, HPE Nimble, HPE Alletra, HPE Primera). 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons are at the bottom right.

4. On the **Type** page, select **VMware vCenter or ESXi host** and then click **Next** to proceed.



The screenshot shows the 'Add Inventory Item' dialog box with three steps: 1. Platform, 2. Type, and 3. Options. Step 2 is active. The 'VMware vCenter or ESXi host' option is selected and highlighted with a red box. Other options include 'Microsoft Hyper-V host or cluster', 'Nutanix AHV cluster', and 'VMware Cloud Director server'. 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons are at the bottom right.

5. The **Options** page opens. Proceed as follows:
 - a. In the **Hostname or IP** field, specify the hostname or IP address of the vCenter server or standalone ESXi host that you wish to add to the **Inventory**.

Notes

- vCenter-managed ESXi hosts should not be discovered directly by their IP addresses or hostnames. Instead, you should add the vCenter that manages such ESXi hosts.
- The Transporter installed on NAS with ARM architecture cannot be used for discovery of ESXi host with enabled **Direct Connect** option.

- b. In the **Username** and **Password** fields, specify credentials of the vCenter server or standalone ESXi host that you want to add to the inventory.

Note

The credentials you specify should have full administrative privileges to the vCenter server or standalone ESXi host.

- c. Specify the Web services port in the appropriate field.
- d. Optionally, you can enable the **Use Direct Connect** option for this item to use the **Direct Connect** functionality. To do this:
- i. Select **Use Direct Connect**.
 - ii. In the **Assigned transporter** drop-down list, choose the Transporter with the enabled Direct Connect functionality.

Notes

- This option is available only if there is a **Transporter** with **Direct Connect** enabled. For details, refer to [“Adding Existing Nodes” on page 485](#).
- vSphere tags support is not available via **Direct Connect**.

6. Click **Finish**. After the process is completed successfully, you can exit **Settings** and create jobs with the newly discovered VMs.
7. When NAKIVO Backup & Replication is deployed on an ARM-based NAS, a dialog box may open stating that the current **Transporter** does not support VMware vSphere and asking you to deploy an additional **Transporter**. Click **Got It** to close the dialog box. Refer to [“Deploying Transporter as VMware Appliance” on page 495](#) for more details about deploying additional **Transporters** that support VMware vSphere.

Adding Amazon EC2 Accounts

Add an Amazon EC2 account to NAKIVO Backup & Replication as described in the sections below.

- [“Creating AWS Access Key ID and Secret Access Key” on the next page](#)
- [“Adding an Amazon EC2 Account to Inventory” on the next page](#)

Creating AWS Access Key ID and Secret Access Key

Prior to adding your AWS account to the inventory, you need to create and retrieve an AWS Access Key ID and Secret Access Key. The Access Key ID and Secret Access Key are used by NAKIVO Backup & Replication to sign the programmatic requests sent to AWS, such as retrieving the list of instances, creating snapshots, and so on.

To create an AWS Access Key ID and a Secret Access Key, follow the steps below:

1. If you don't have an AWS account, create a new one at <https://aws.amazon.com>.
2. Open the [IAM console](#).
3. In the left pane, click **Users**.
4. Click your IAM username (not the checkbox).
5. Go to the **Security Credentials** tab and then click **Create Access Key**.
6. Click **Download Credentials** and store the keys in a secure location.

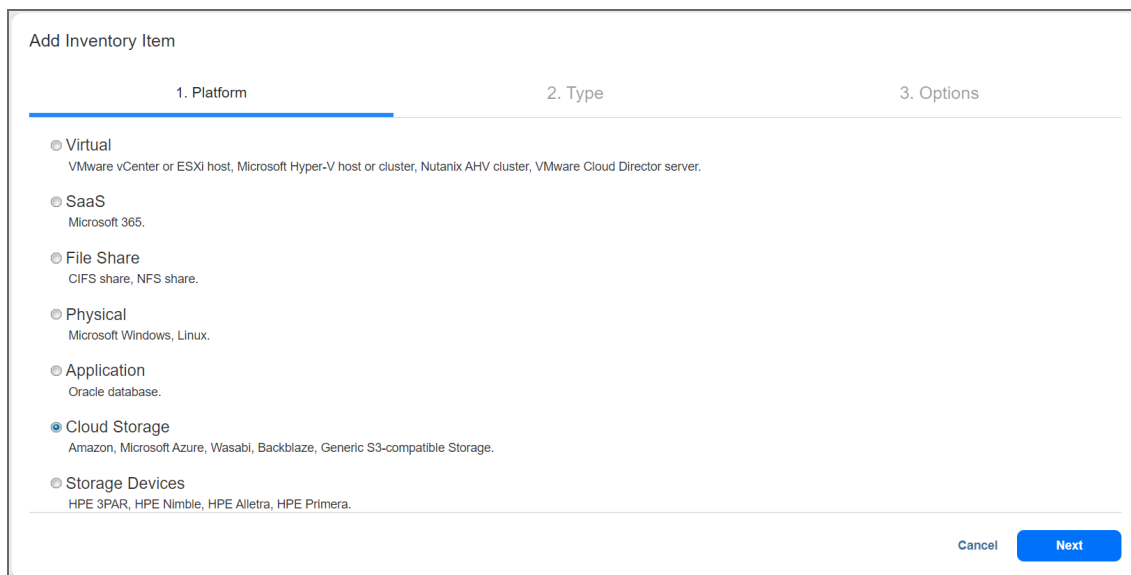
Important

Your Secret Access Key will no longer be available in the AWS Management Console; you will have one copy only. Store it in a secure location and do not share it in order to protect your account from unauthorized access.

Adding an Amazon EC2 Account to Inventory

To add an Amazon EC2 account to NAKIVO Backup & Replication, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Inventory** page and click **+**.
3. On the **Platform** page of the wizard, select **Cloud Storage** and click **Next** to proceed.



The screenshot shows the 'Add Inventory Item' wizard with three steps: 1. Platform, 2. Type, and 3. Options. Step 1 is active. The following options are listed:

- Virtual
VMware vCenter or ESXi host, Microsoft Hyper-V host or cluster, Nutanix AHV cluster, VMware Cloud Director server.
- SaaS
Microsoft 365.
- File Share
CIFS share, NFS share.
- Physical
Microsoft Windows, Linux.
- Application
Oracle database.
- Cloud Storage
Amazon, Microsoft Azure, Wasabi, Backblaze, Generic S3-compatible Storage.
- Storage Devices
HPE 3PAR, HPE Nimble, HPE Alletra, HPE Primera.

At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

4. On the **Type** page of the wizard, select **Amazon** and click **Next** to proceed.

Add Inventory Item

1. Platform 2. Type 3. Options

Amazon
 Microsoft Azure
 Wasabi
 Backblaze
 Generic S3-compatible Storage

Cancel **Next**

5. On the **Options** page of the wizard, fill in the following fields:
 - a. Enter the name in the **Display name** box.
 - b. Select the AWS account from the **Type** drop-down list.
 - c. Select the AWS region from the **Region(s)** drop-down list.
 - d. Enter the **Access Key ID** and **Secret Access Key** of a root user or a sub-user in the corresponding fields.
6. Click **Finish** when you're done.

Add Inventory Item

1. Platform 2. Type 3. Options

Display name:
 Type: ⓘ
 Region(s): ⓘ
 Access key ID: ⓘ
 Secret access key: ⓘ

Cancel **Finish**

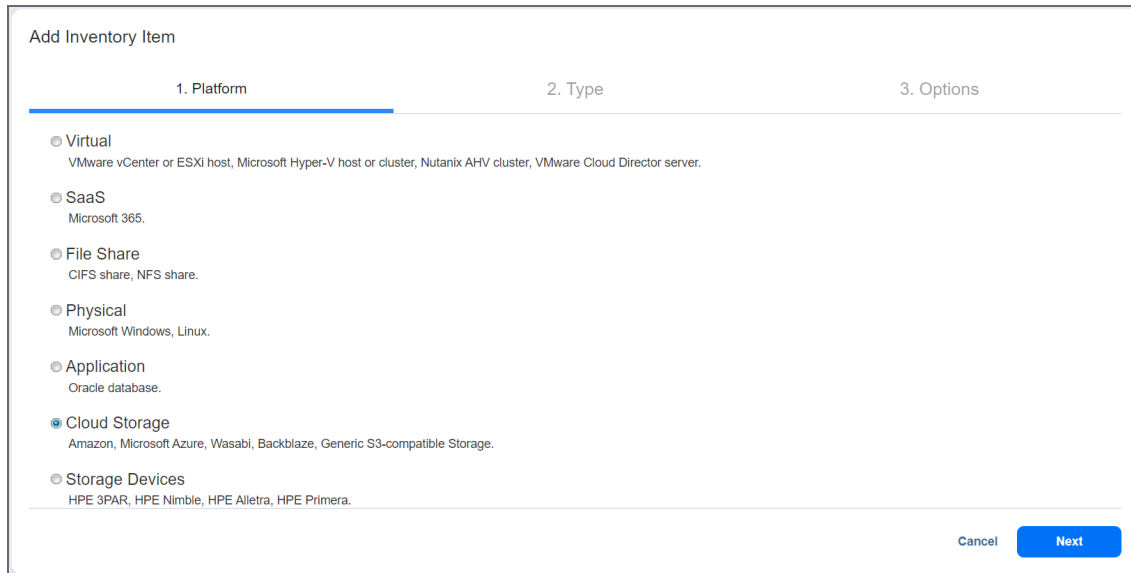
Adding Generic S3-Compatible Object Storage

Note

Only specific S3-compatible vendors are supported. Please see [Feature Requirements](#) for more information.

To add S3-compatible object storage to Inventory in NAKIVO Backup & Replication, follow the steps below:

1. Verify that the S3-compatible object storage meets [Feature Requirements](#).
2. Click **Settings** in the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
3. Go to the **Inventory** page and click "+".
4. On the **Platform** page of the wizard, select **Cloud Storage** and click **Next** to proceed.

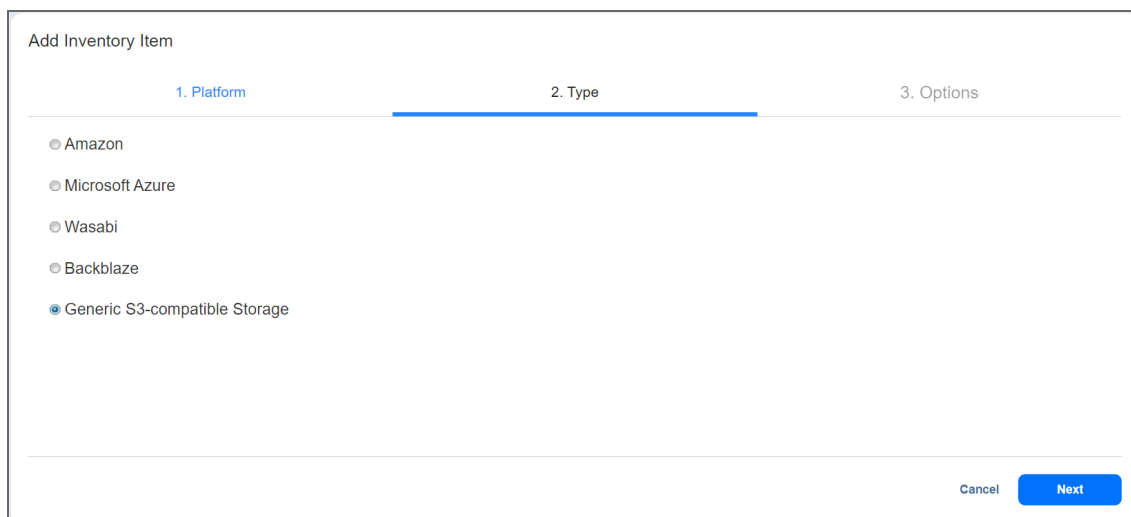


The screenshot shows the 'Add Inventory Item' wizard at the 'Platform' step. The wizard has three steps: 1. Platform, 2. Type, and 3. Options. The 'Platform' step is currently active, indicated by a blue underline. Below the step indicators, there are several radio button options with their descriptions:

- Virtual
VMware vCenter or ESXi host, Microsoft Hyper-V host or cluster, Nutanix AHV cluster, VMware Cloud Director server.
- SaaS
Microsoft 365.
- File Share
CIFS share, NFS share.
- Physical
Microsoft Windows, Linux.
- Application
Oracle database.
- Cloud Storage
Amazon, Microsoft Azure, Wasabi, Backblaze, Generic S3-compatible Storage.
- Storage Devices
HPE 3PAR, HPE Nimble, HPE Alletra, HPE Primera.

At the bottom right of the wizard, there are two buttons: 'Cancel' and 'Next'.

5. On the **Type** page of the wizard, select **Generic S3-compatible Storage** and click **Next** to proceed.



The screenshot shows the 'Add Inventory Item' wizard at the 'Type' step. The wizard has three steps: 1. Platform, 2. Type, and 3. Options. The 'Type' step is currently active, indicated by a blue underline. Below the step indicators, there are several radio button options:

- Amazon
- Microsoft Azure
- Wasabi
- Backblaze
- Generic S3-compatible Storage

At the bottom right of the wizard, there are two buttons: 'Cancel' and 'Next'.

1. On the **Options** page of the wizard, provide the following information:
 - **Display name:** Specify a name for the S3-compatible object storage device. This name will be displayed in the **Inventory**.

- **Service endpoint:** Enter a full HTTP/HTTPS URL that is used to access the storage.
- **Region code:** Optionally, enter the technical region code where the data is stored. To enter several region codes, separate them using the semicolon “;” symbol. It is highly recommended to leave this field blank.
- **Access key ID or Username:** Enter the storage access key ID or username that was created during account setup or on the App Keys page in your storage account.
- **Secret access key or Password:** Enter the storage secret access key or password that was created during account setup or on the App Keys page in your storage account.
- Click **Connect** to bring up the **Certificate Details** popup.

Note
The **Connect** button may be disabled if no HTTP/HTTPS certificates are detected or required for the storage to be added to the Inventory.

6. Optionally, you can select **Auto accept new certificate if this certificate is expired or changed**.
7. Click **Accept** to confirm the certificate.

8. Finally, click **Finish** when you are done.

Note
When [configuring NGINX Proxy for MinIO Server](#) used as the vendor for generic S3-compatible object storage, make sure you either turn caching off (*proxy_cache off;*) or set *proxy_cache_convert_head off;*.
Find more information on the topic [here](#).

Adding Wasabi Accounts

Add a Wasabi account to NAKIVO Backup & Replication as described in the sections below.

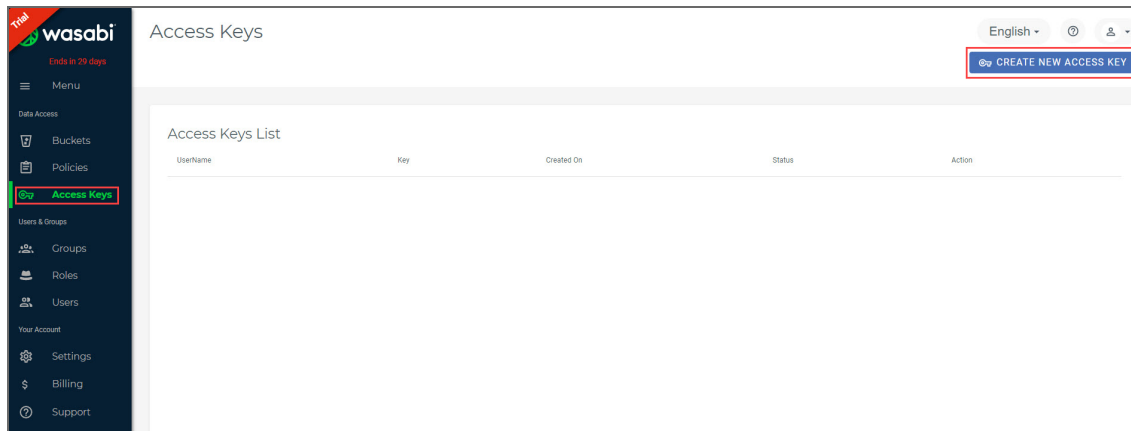
- [Creating Wasabi Access Key ID and Secret Access Key](#)
- [Adding a Wasabi Account to Inventory](#)

Creating Wasabi Access Key ID and Secret Access Key

Prior to adding your Wasabi account to the inventory, you need to create and retrieve a Wasabi Access Key ID and Secret Access Key. They are used by NAKIVO Backup & Replication to sign the programmatic requests sent to Wasabi, such as retrieving the list of instances, creating snapshots, and etc.

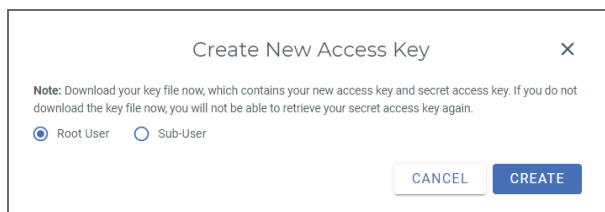
To create a Wasabi Access Key ID and a Secret Access Key, follow the steps below:

1. If you don't have a Wasabi account, create a new one at wasabi.com/sign-up/
2. Log in to your Wasabi account.
3. Navigate to the main menu and click **Access Keys**.
4. Click **Create New Access Key**.



5. In the dialog box that opens, select one of the following:

- **Root user:** Select this option and click **Create**.

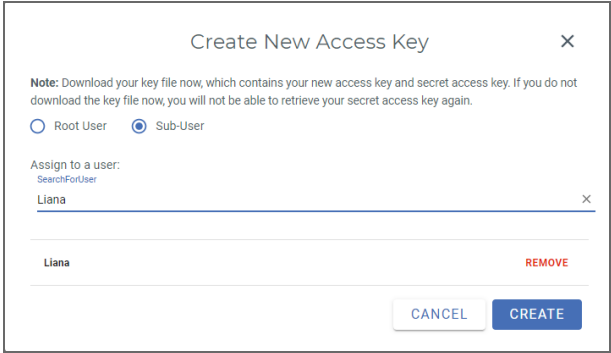


- **Sub-User:** Select a sub-user from the **Assign to a user** drop-down list and click **Create**. Note that the original user access key of the selected user will be changed.

Note

To use the **Sub-User** option, you need to have at least one user created in your Wasabi account. For details, refer to [Creating a User](#) and [How do I set up Wasabi](#)

for user access separation?

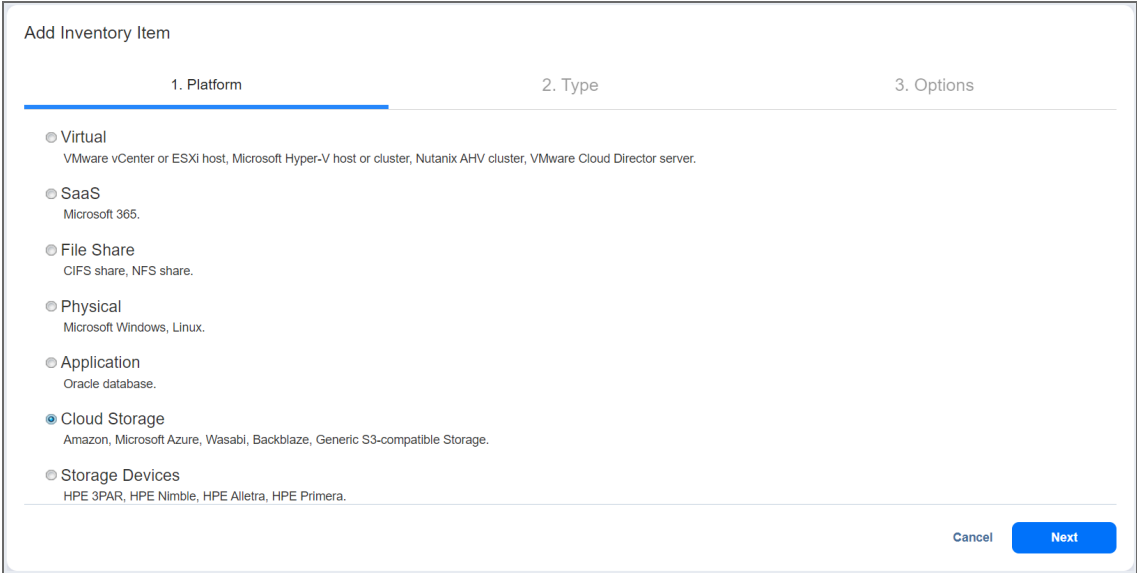


6. Click **Download CSV** and save the file with generated keys in a secure location. Keep the Access key confidential in order to protect your account.

Adding a Wasabi Account to Inventory

To add an Wasabi account to NAKIVO Backup & Replication, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Inventory** page and click **+**.
3. On the **Platform** page of the wizard, select **Cloud Storage** and click **Next** to proceed.



4. On the **Type** page of the wizard, select **Wasabi** and click **Next** to proceed.

Add Inventory Item

1. Platform 2. Type 3. Options

Amazon
 Microsoft Azure
 Wasabi
 Backblaze
 Generic S3-compatible Storage

Cancel Next

5. On the **Options** page of the wizard, fill in the following fields:
 - a. Enter the name in the **Display name** box.
 - b. Select the Wasabi region from the **Region(s)** drop-down list.
 - c. Enter the **Access Key ID** and **Secret Access Key** of a root user or a sub-user in the corresponding fields.
6. Click **Finish**.

Add Inventory Item

1. Platform 2. Type 3. Options

Display name:
 Region(s): ⓘ
 Access key ID: ⓘ
 Secret access key: ⓘ

Cancel Finish

Adding Backblaze Accounts

Add a Backblaze account to NAKIVO Backup & Replication as described in the sections below.

- [Obtaining Backblaze Credentials](#)
- [Adding a Backblaze Account to Inventory](#)

Obtaining Backblaze Credentials

If you have not already generated and saved application key information in your Backblaze account, you will need to do so. To obtain the credentials required to add a Backblaze account to the NAKIVO Backup & Replication **Inventory**, follow the steps below:

1. Log in to your Backblaze account.
2. Locate the **Account** tab on the left side and click **App Keys**.


Application Keys

B2 Cloud Storage

- Buckets
- Browse Files
- Snapshots
- Reports
- Caps & Alerts
- Fireball
- Cloud Replication

Account

- App Keys**
- My Settings
- Billing

 Application keys are used as a pair: Key ID and Application Key. This allows B2 to communicate securely with different devices or apps. Once you generate your Master Application Key, this key has full capabilities. Create your own Application Keys to limit features like read/write. [Learn more.](#)

Master Application Key

keyID:	
keyName:	Master Application Key
bucketName:	-
capabilities:	bypassGovernance, listKeys, writeKeys, deleteKeys, listBucketNames, listBuckets, readBuckets, writeBuckets, deleteBuckets, readBucketEncryption, readBucketReplications, readBucketRetentions, writeBucketEncryption, writeBucketReplications, writeBucketRetentions, listFiles, readFiles, shareFiles, writeFiles, deleteFiles, readFileRetentions, readFileLegalHolds, writeFileRetentions, writeFileLegalHolds
expiration:	Never
namePrefix:	(none)

3. Find the **Add a New Application Key** button and click it.

Master Application Key

keyID:	
keyName:	Master Application Key
bucketName:	-
capabilities:	bypassGovernance, listKeys, writeKeys, deleteKeys, listBucketNames, listBuckets, readBuckets, writeBuckets, deleteBuckets, readBucketEncryption, readBucketReplications, readBucketRetentions, writeBucketEncryption, writeBucketReplications, writeBucketRetentions, listFiles, readFiles, shareFiles, writeFiles, deleteFiles, readFileRetentions, readFileLegalHolds, writeFileRetentions, writeFileLegalHolds
expiration:	Never
namePrefix:	(none)

Generate New Master Application Key

Warning: Generating a new key will cancel the old key.

Your Application Keys

[Add a New Application Key](#)

4. Fill in the following information:

- **Name of Key:** Enter a key name of your choice.
- **Allow access to Bucket(s):** Select a specific bucket or all buckets.
- **Type of access:** Choose the level of access given to external applications.
- **Allow List All Bucket Names:** Check to allow listing of all bucket names for S3 API purposes (required).
- **File name prefix:** Limits access to files that begin with the specified text.
- **Duration (seconds):** Validity duration of the key in seconds (leave blank to keep it indefinite).

5. Click **Create New Key**.

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Add Application Key

Name of Key:
(keyName)

Allow access to Bucket(s):
(optional)
(bucketName)

Technical-writer
▾

Type of Access:
(optional)
(capabilities)

Read and Write
 Read Only
 Write Only

Allow List All Bucket Names:
(optional)

Allow listing all bucket names including bucket creation dates (required for S3 List Buckets API)

File name prefix:
(optional)
(namePrefix)

Allow access to file names that start with this.

Duration (seconds):
(optional)
(validDurationSeconds)

Positive integer less than 1000 days (in seconds).

Create New Key

Cancel

6. Locate the generated key and note the following information:

- **keyID**
- **Application Key**

Success! Your new application key has been created. **It will only appear here once.**

keyID: 004560642dc

keyName: Technical

applicationKey: K00417qzPYh

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Adding a Backblaze Account to Inventory

To add a Backblaze storage account to the **Inventory**, do the following:

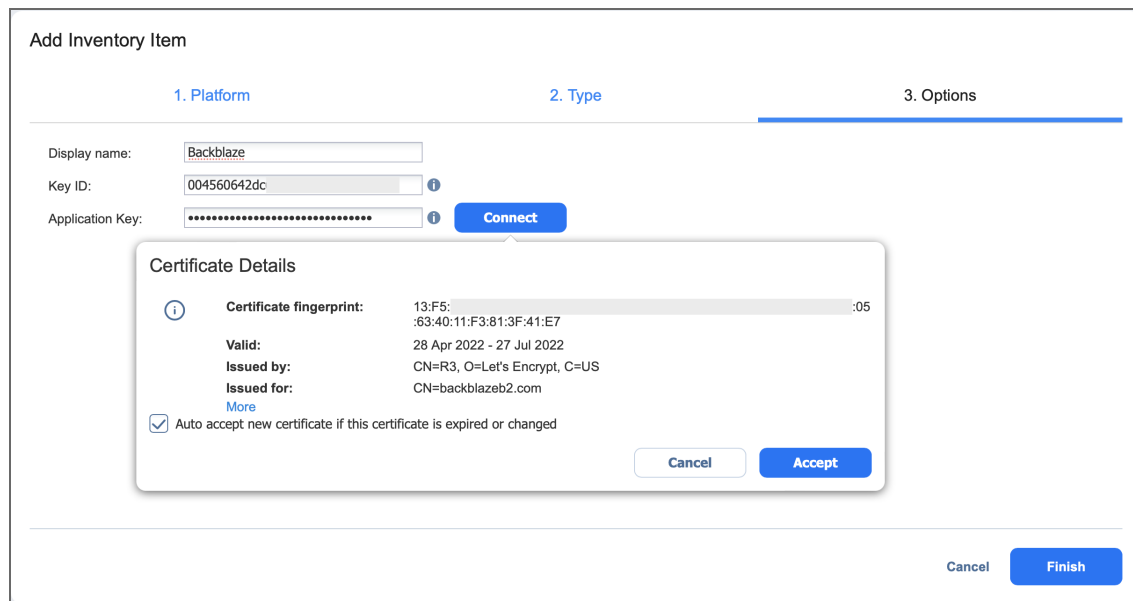
1. Click **Settings** in the left pane.
2. Go to the **Inventory** tab and click **+**.
3. On the **Platform** page of the wizard, select **Cloud Storage**. Click **Next** to proceed.

The screenshot shows the 'Add Inventory Item' wizard with three steps: 1. Platform, 2. Type, and 3. Options. The 'Platform' step is currently active, indicated by a blue underline. Below the step indicators, there are several radio button options: Virtual (VMware vCenter or ESXi host, Microsoft Hyper-V host or cluster, Nutanix AHV cluster, VMware Cloud Director server), SaaS (Microsoft 365), File Share (CIFS share, NFS share), Physical (Microsoft Windows, Linux), Application (Oracle database), Cloud Storage (Amazon, Microsoft Azure, Wasabi, Backblaze, Generic S3-compatible Storage), and Storage Devices (HPE 3PAR, HPE Nimble, HPE Alletra, HPE Primera). The 'Cloud Storage' option is selected with a blue dot. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

4. On the **Type** page, choose **Backblaze**. Click **Next** to proceed.

The screenshot shows the 'Add Inventory Item' wizard with three steps: 1. Platform, 2. Type, and 3. Options. The 'Type' step is currently active, indicated by a blue underline. Below the step indicators, there are several radio button options: Amazon, Microsoft Azure, Wasabi, Backblaze, and Generic S3-compatible Storage. The 'Backblaze' option is selected with a blue dot. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

5. On the **Options** page, configure the following:
 - **Display name:** Enter a display name for the Backblaze storage account.
 - **Key ID:** Enter the **keyID** generated on the **App Keys** page in your Backblaze account.
 - **Application Key:** Enter the **Application Key** generated on the **App Keys** page in your Backblaze account.
6. Click **Connect**. This should bring up the **Certificate Details** pop-up window.



7. Optionally, you can select **Auto accept new certificate if this certificate is expired or changed**. Click **Accept** to confirm the certificate.
8. Click **Finish** to add the account to **Inventory**.

Adding Microsoft Azure Storage Accounts

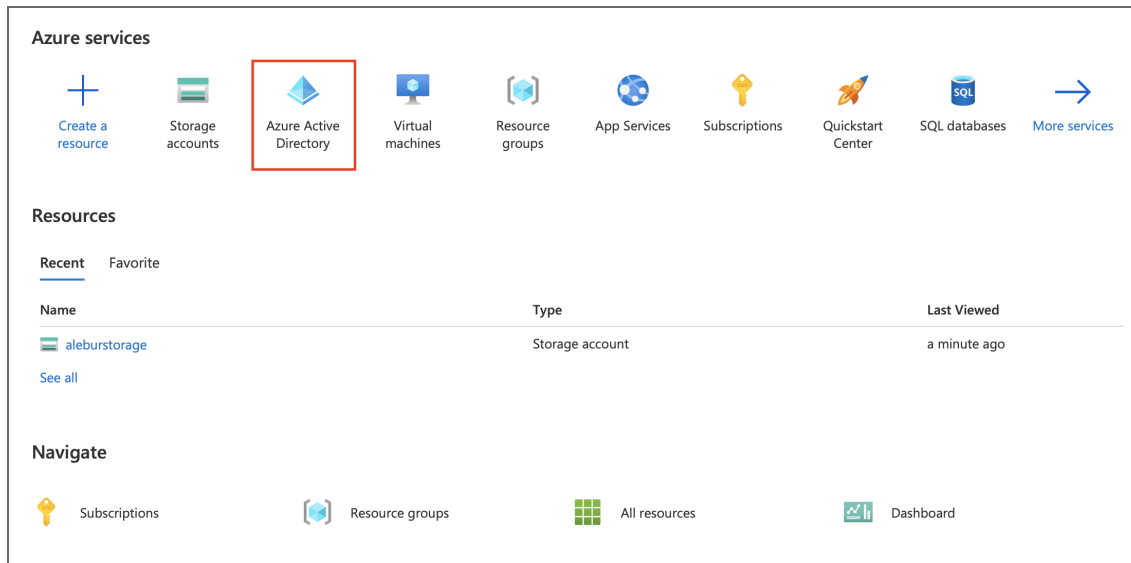
Configure and add a Microsoft Azure Storage account to NAKIVO Backup & Replication as described in the sections below.

- [Configuring a Microsoft Azure Storage Account](#)
- [Obtaining Microsoft Azure Credentials](#)
- [Adding Microsoft Azure Storage Account to Inventory](#)

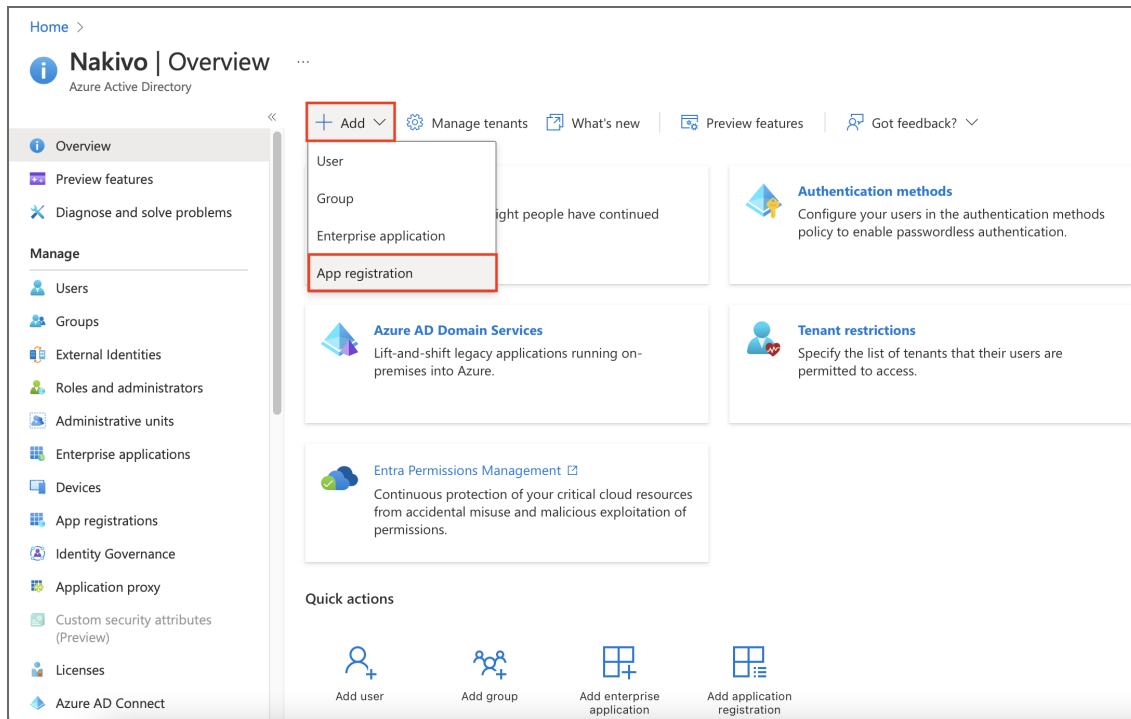
Configuring a Microsoft Azure Storage Account

To configure a Microsoft Azure Storage account to work with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, follow the steps below.

1. Open the Azure Portal by going to portal.azure.com.
2. Sign in to Microsoft Azure with your Microsoft account credentials.
3. Open **Azure Active Directory** from the services dashboard.



4. Register a new application by clicking **Add > App registration** from the **Overview** or **App registrations** menu. If you already have an application for use with NAKIVO Backup & Replication, skip to step 6.



5. Enter a name for your application and set the access level per your requirements. When you're done, click **Register**.

Register an application

The user-facing display name for this application (this can be changed later).

Nakivo Blob ✓

Supported account types

Who can use this application or access this API?

- Accounts in this organizational directory only (Nakivo only - Single tenant)
- Accounts in any organizational directory (Any Azure AD directory - Multitenant)
- Accounts in any organizational directory (Any Azure AD directory - Multitenant) and personal Microsoft accounts (e.g. Skype, Xbox)
- Personal Microsoft accounts only

[Help me choose...](#)

Redirect URI (optional)

We'll return the authentication response to this URI after successfully authenticating the user. Providing this now is optional and it can be changed later, but a value is required for most authentication scenarios.

Select a platform

e.g. https://example.com/auth

Register an app you're working on here. Integrate gallery apps and other apps from outside your organization by adding from [Enterprise applications](#).

6. Next, return to the Azure homepage and open **Storage accounts** from the services dashboard.

Azure services

- Create a resource
- Storage accounts**
- Azure Active Directory
- Virtual machines
- Resource groups
- App Services
- Subscriptions
- Quickstart Center
- SQL databases
- More services

Resources

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alebustorage	Storage account	a minute ago

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Navigate

- Subscriptions
- Resource groups
- All resources
- Dashboard

7. Click **Create** to create an Azure storage account. If you already have a storage account, skip to step 9.

Home >

Storage accounts

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<input type="checkbox"/> Name ↑↓	Type ↑↓
<input type="checkbox"/> a [redacted]	Storage account
<input type="checkbox"/> a [redacted]	Storage account
<input type="checkbox"/> a [redacted]	Storage account

8. Select the appropriate **Subscription** and **Resource group** from the respective drop-down menus. You may also create a new resource group by clicking the **Create new** button under the **Resource group** drop-down menu. Name your storage account and configure the **Region**, **Performance**, and **Redundancy** settings based on your preference.

Home > Storage accounts >

Create a storage account

Basics | Advanced | Networking | Data protection | Encryption | Tags | Review

Project details

Select the subscription in which to create the new storage account. Choose a new or existing resource group to organize and manage your storage account together with other resources.

Subscription *

Resource group * [Create new](#)

Instance details

If you need to create a legacy storage account type, please click [here](#).

Storage account name ⓘ *

Region ⓘ *

Performance ⓘ *

Standard: Recommended for most scenarios (general-purpose v2 account)

Premium: Recommended for scenarios that require low latency.

Redundancy ⓘ *

Make read access to data available in the event of regional unavailability.

[Review](#) [< Previous](#) [Next : Advanced >](#)

- If you wish to enable Backup Immutability for this storage account, go to the **Data protection** tab. Under **Tracking**, find and enable the **Enable versioning for blobs** setting. Under **Access control**, find and enable the **Enable version-level immutability support** setting.

Home > Storage accounts >

Create a storage account

Basics Advanced Networking **Data protection** Encryption Tags Review

Tracking

Manage versions and keep track of changes made to your blob data.

Enable versioning for blobs
Use versioning to automatically maintain previous versions of your blobs. [Learn more](#)

Consider your workloads, their impact on the number of versions created, and the resulting costs. Optimize costs by automatically managing the data lifecycle. [Learn more](#)

Enable blob change feed
Keep track of create, modification, and delete changes to blobs in your account. [Learn more](#)

Access control

Enable version-level immutability support
Allows you to set time-based retention policy on the account-level that will apply to all blob versions. Enable this feature to set a default policy at the account level. Without enabling this, you can still set a default policy at the container level or set policies for specific blob versions. Versioning is required for this property to be enabled. [Learn more](#)

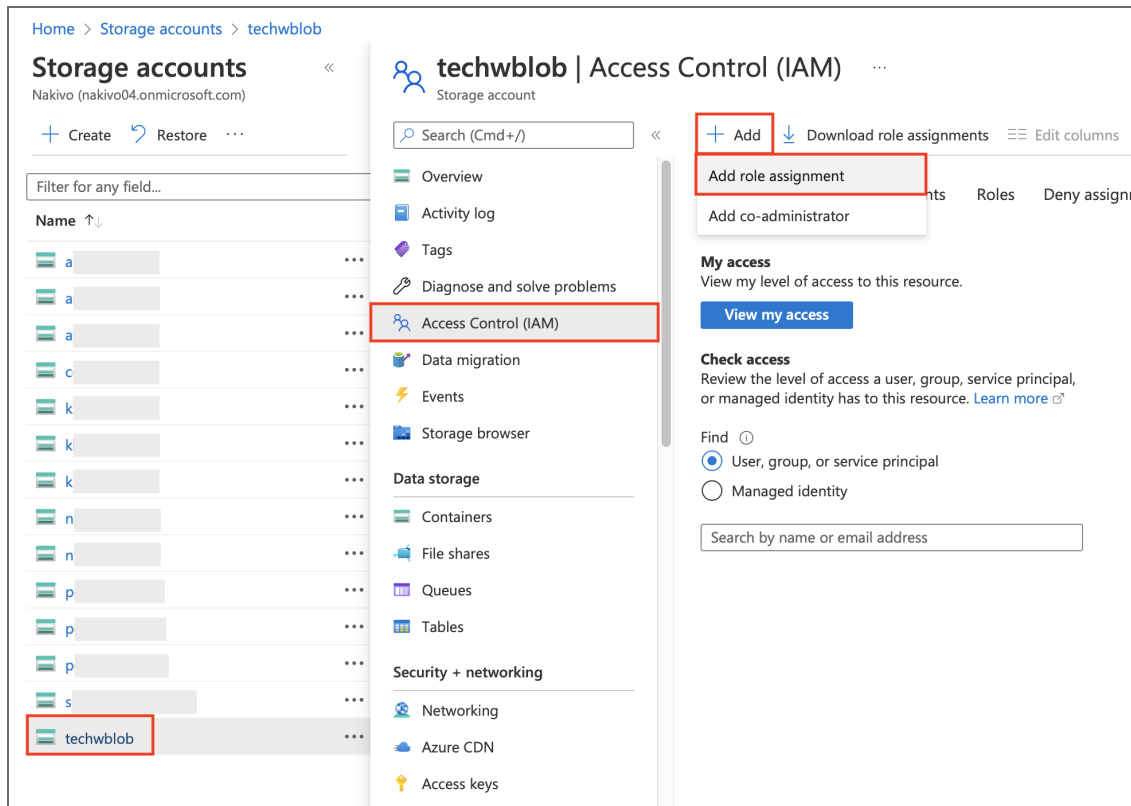
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- Optionally, configure advanced settings within the other tabs. When you're done, click **Review**. Review the account configuration and click **Create** if everything is in order.

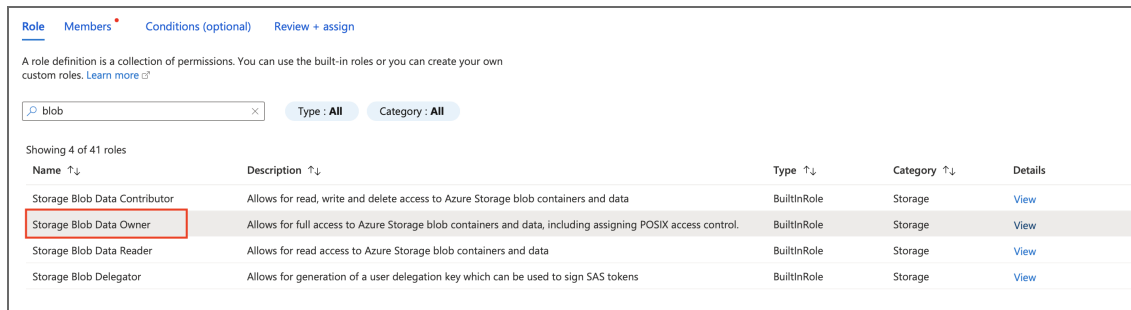
Note

After clicking **Create**, the storage account will undergo a short deployment stage before it appears in the **Storage accounts** menu.

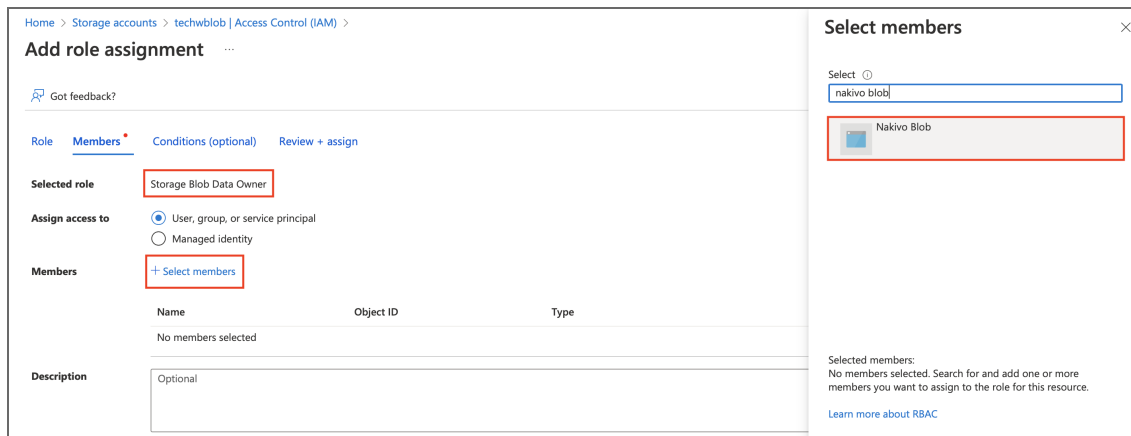
- Locate your storage account in the **Storage accounts** menu and click on it to open the account settings. Go to the Access Control (IAM) tab and click **Add > Add role assignment**.



12. Find the **Storage Blob Data Owner** role and select it. Click **Next**.

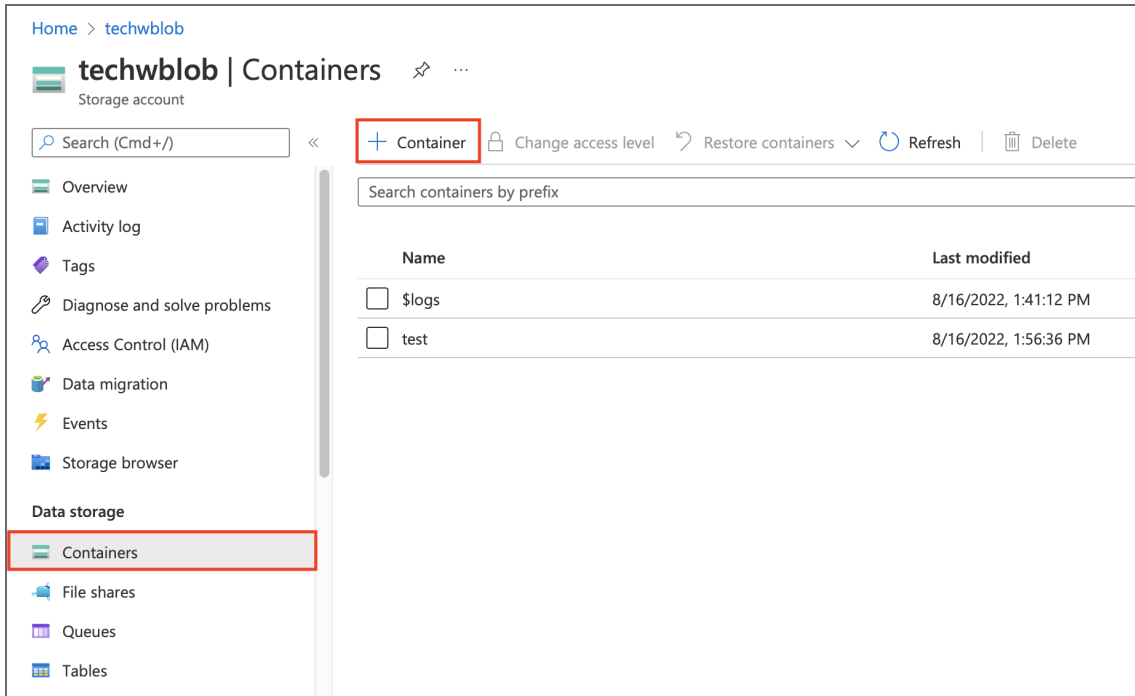


13. Click **Select members** and find the application registered in the previous steps using the search bar. Click on the application name and click **Select** below to confirm. Click **Review + assign** to add the role.



1. To add storage containers to the storage account and configure immutability, go to the **Containers** tab and click **+ Container**.

Note
NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically detects containers created after adding a Microsoft Azure Storage account to inventory.




2. Name the container and configure its access level as needed. Select **Enable version-level immutability support** under **Advanced** settings if you wish to enable Backup Immutability for this container.

Note
If your storage account does not have version-level immutability support enabled (as described in step 9), you will need to enable this option per container. Existing containers without the **Enable version-level immutability support** option enabled will not be able to make use of Backup Immutability.

New container ✕

Name ^{*}

Public access level ⓘ


 Blobs within the container can be read by anonymous request, but container data is not available. Anonymous clients cannot enumerate the blobs within the container.

^ Advanced

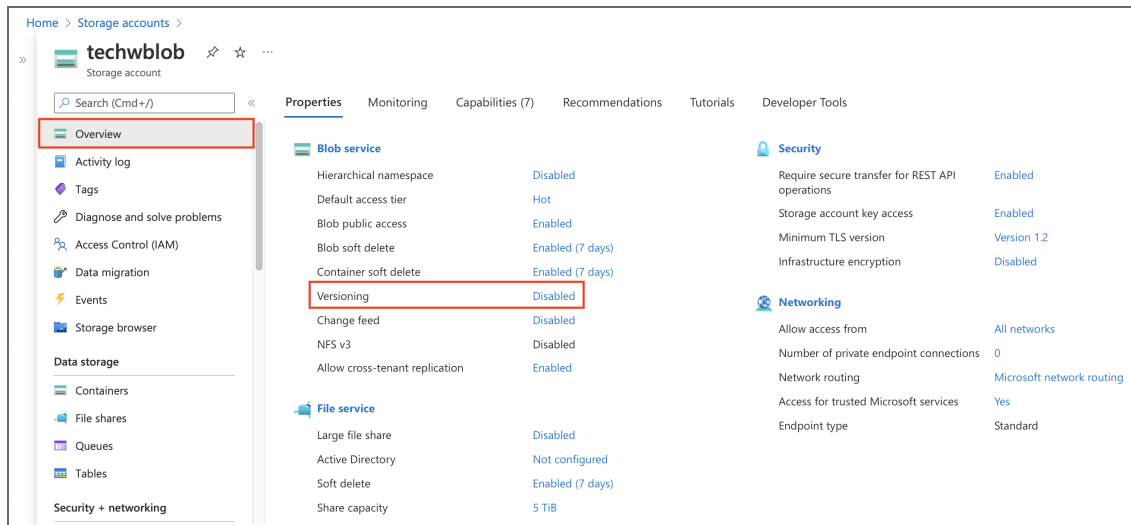
Encryption scope

Use this encryption scope for all blobs in the container

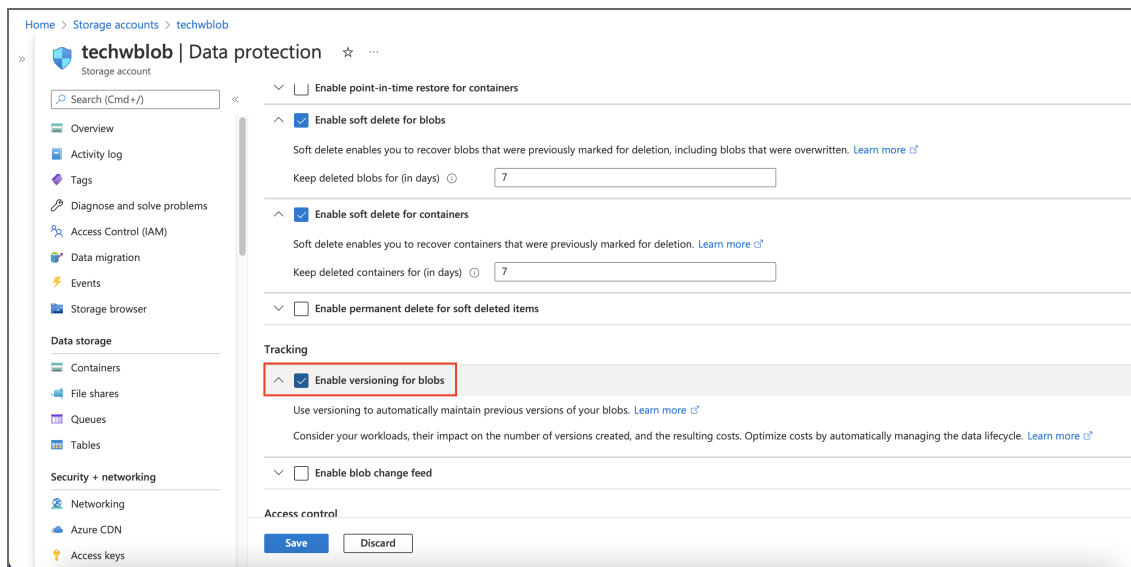
Enable version-level immutability support ⓘ

 In order to enable version-level immutability support, your storage account must have versioning turned on.

14. If you enabled version-level immutability support in any of the previous steps, also make sure that versioning for blobs is enabled. Return to the storage account's Overview menu and scroll down to find **Versioning** in the **Properties** tab. If your versioning is **Disabled**, click **Disabled**.



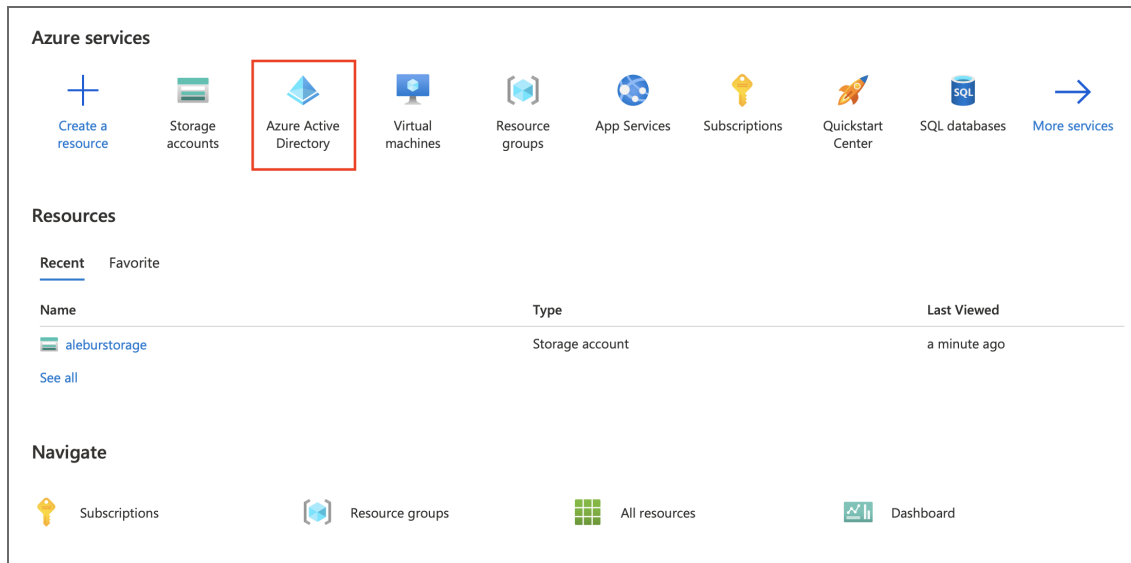
15. Scroll down to find **Enable versioning for blobs** under **Tracking**. Enable this feature and click **Save** below.



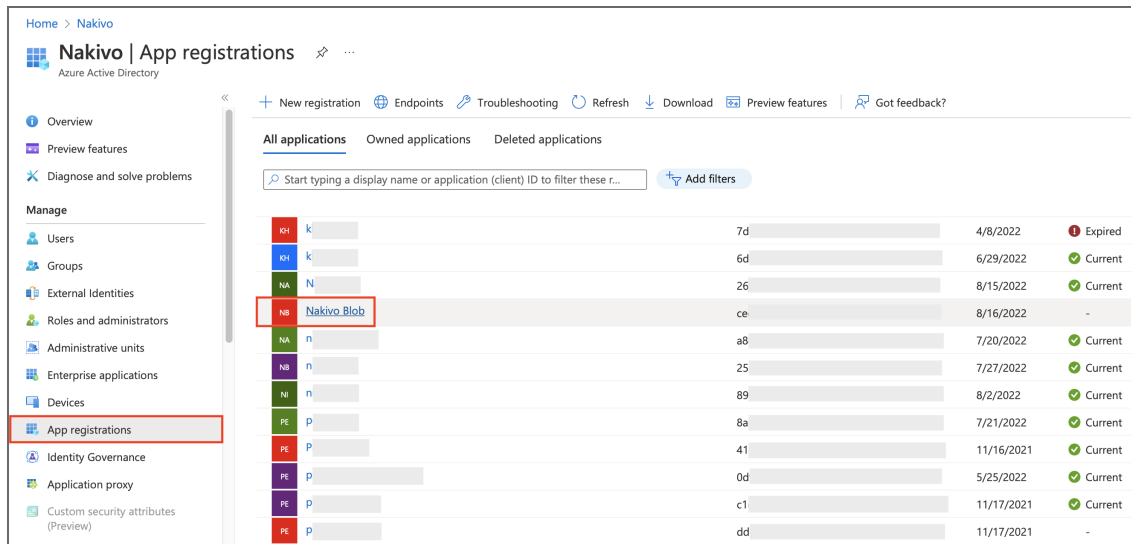
Obtaining Microsoft Azure Credentials

To obtain the credentials required to add a Microsoft Azure Storage account to the NAKIVO Backup & Replication **Inventory**, follow the steps below.

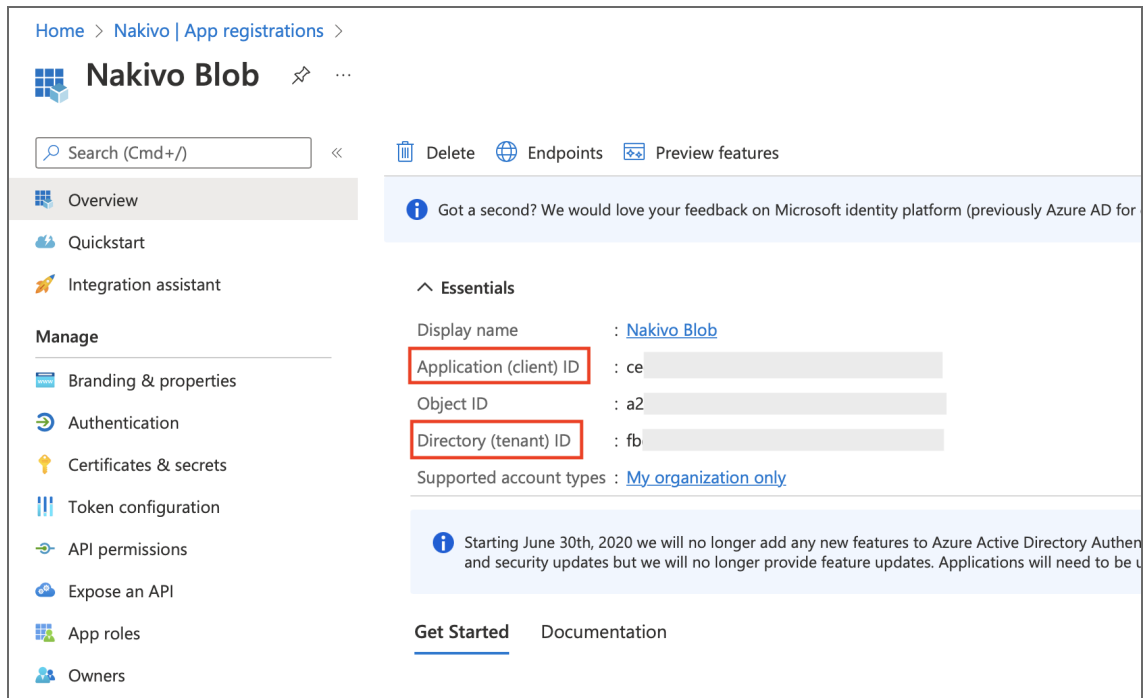
1. Open the Azure Portal by going to portal.azure.com
2. Sign in to Microsoft Azure with your Microsoft account credentials.
3. Select **Azure Active Directory** from the **Dashboard** or from the Portal Menu.



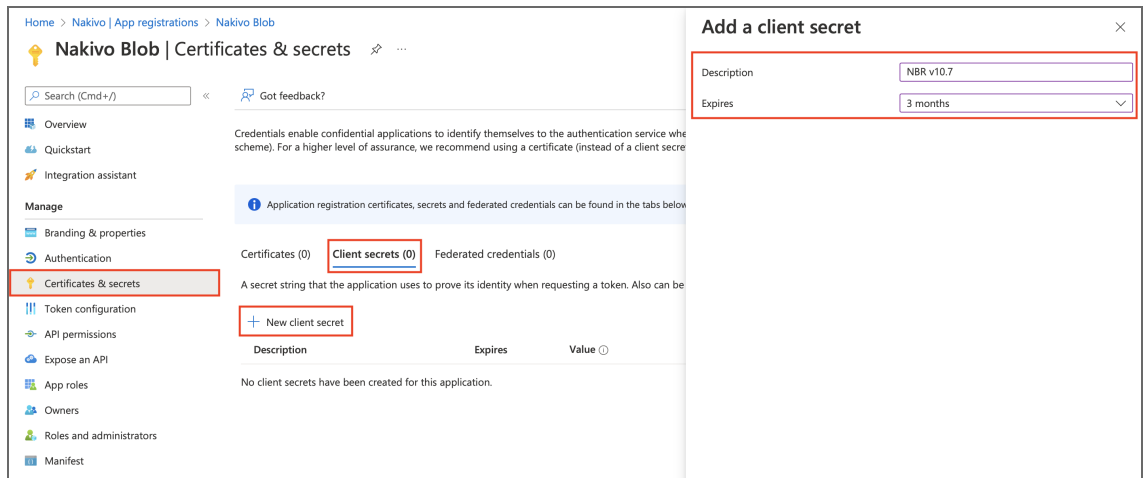
- In the left menu, click **App registrations** and locate the application registered for use with NAKIVO Backup & Replication. Click on its name to open the application's settings.



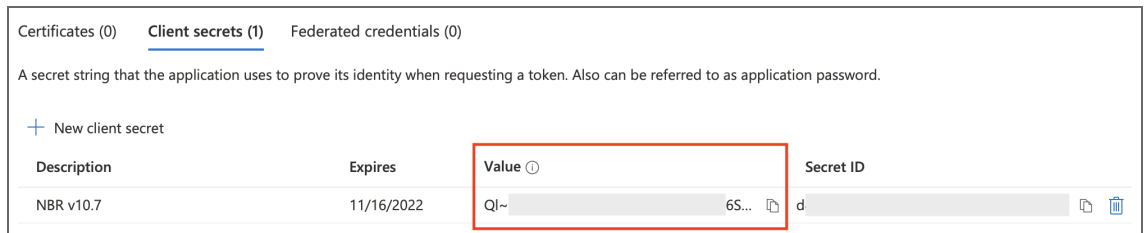
- Locate and make a note of the Client ID and Tenant ID near the top of the **Overview** menu.



- Go to the **Certificates & secrets** tab. If you already have a client secret for this application, skip this portion. Otherwise, generate a new client secret for the application by clicking **New client secret** in the **Client secrets** tab. Set a description and expiration period for your client secret and click **Add** below.



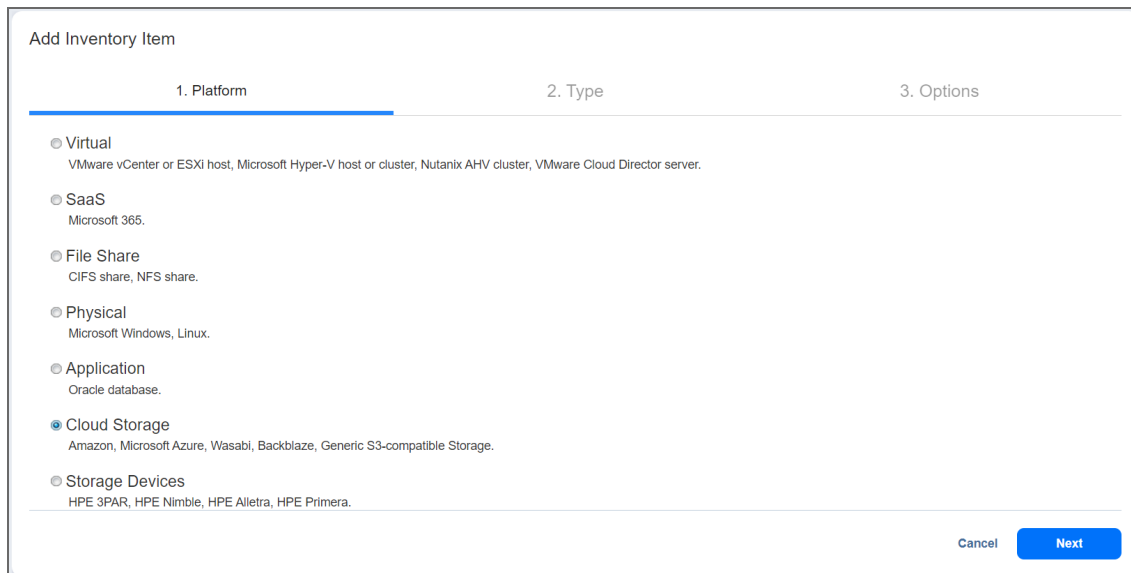
- Find your newly generated client secret in the **Client secrets** tab in the **Value** column. Store the client secret in a reliable location, as you will have to generate a new one if you lose it.



Adding Microsoft Azure Storage Account to Inventory

To add a Microsoft Azure Storage account to the NAKIVO Backup & Replication **Inventory**, follow the steps below.

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane.
2. Go to the **Inventory** tab and click **+**.
3. On the **Platform** page of the wizard, select **Cloud Storage**. Click **Next** to proceed.

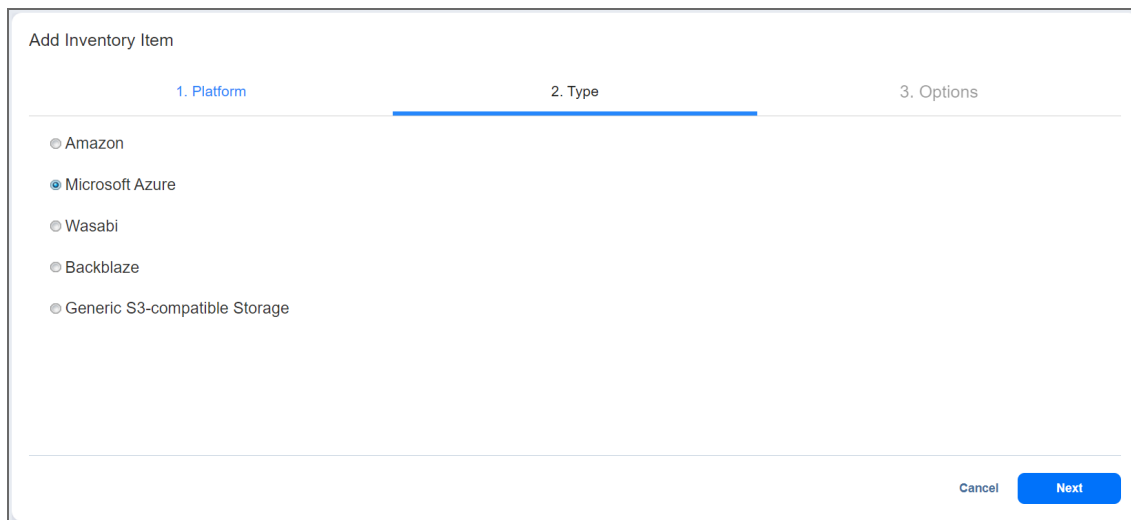


The screenshot shows the 'Add Inventory Item' wizard with three steps: 1. Platform, 2. Type, and 3. Options. The 'Platform' step is currently active, indicated by a blue underline. Below the step indicators, there is a list of platform categories with radio buttons:

- Virtual
VMware vCenter or ESXi host, Microsoft Hyper-V host or cluster, Nutanix AHV cluster, VMware Cloud Director server.
- SaaS
Microsoft 365.
- File Share
CIFS share, NFS share.
- Physical
Microsoft Windows, Linux.
- Application
Oracle database.
- Cloud Storage
Amazon, Microsoft Azure, Wasabi, Backblaze, Generic S3-compatible Storage.
- Storage Devices
HPE 3PAR, HPE Nimble, HPE Alletra, HPE Primera.

At the bottom right of the wizard, there are two buttons: 'Cancel' and 'Next'.

4. On the **Type** page, choose **Microsoft Azure**. Click **Next** to proceed.



The screenshot shows the 'Add Inventory Item' wizard with three steps: 1. Platform, 2. Type, and 3. Options. The 'Type' step is currently active, indicated by a blue underline. Below the step indicators, there is a list of storage types with radio buttons:

- Amazon
- Microsoft Azure
- Wasabi
- Backblaze
- Generic S3-compatible Storage

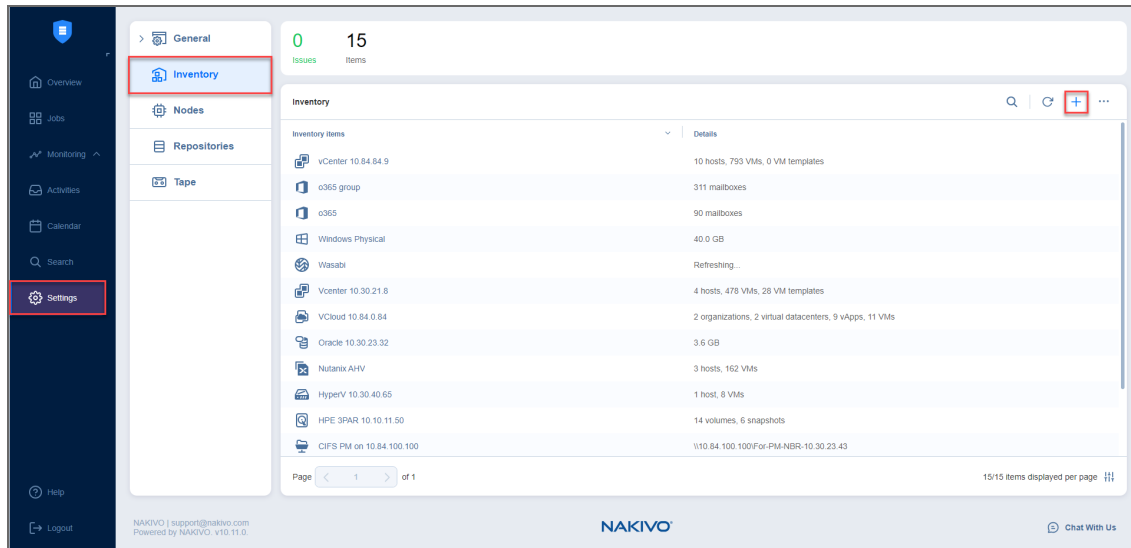
At the bottom right of the wizard, there are two buttons: 'Cancel' and 'Next'.

5. On the **Options** page, configure the following:
 - **Display name:** Enter a desired Inventory display name for the Microsoft Azure Storage account.
 - **Storage account:** Enter the name of the storage account created in the Azure portal.
 - **Tenant ID:** Enter the Azure Tenant ID created when registering your Microsoft Azure account in the Azure Portal.

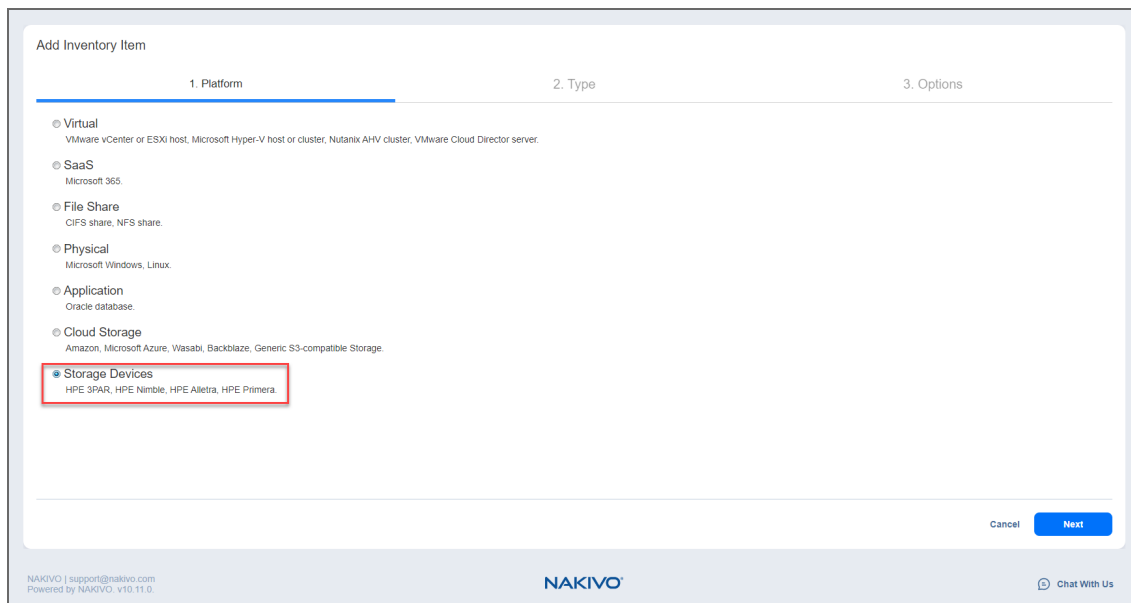
Adding HPE 3PAR Storage Devices to Inventory

To add an HPE 3PAR storage device to the **Inventory** in NAKIVO Backup & Replication, follow the steps below:

1. Verify that the HPE 3PAR device meets the integration [requirements](#).
2. Click **Settings** in the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
3. Go to the **Inventory** page and click **+**.



4. On the **Platform** page of the wizard, select **Storage Devices** and click **Next** to proceed.



5. On the **Type** page of the wizard, keep **Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE)** selected and click **Next**.
6. On the **Options** page of the wizard, provide the following information:

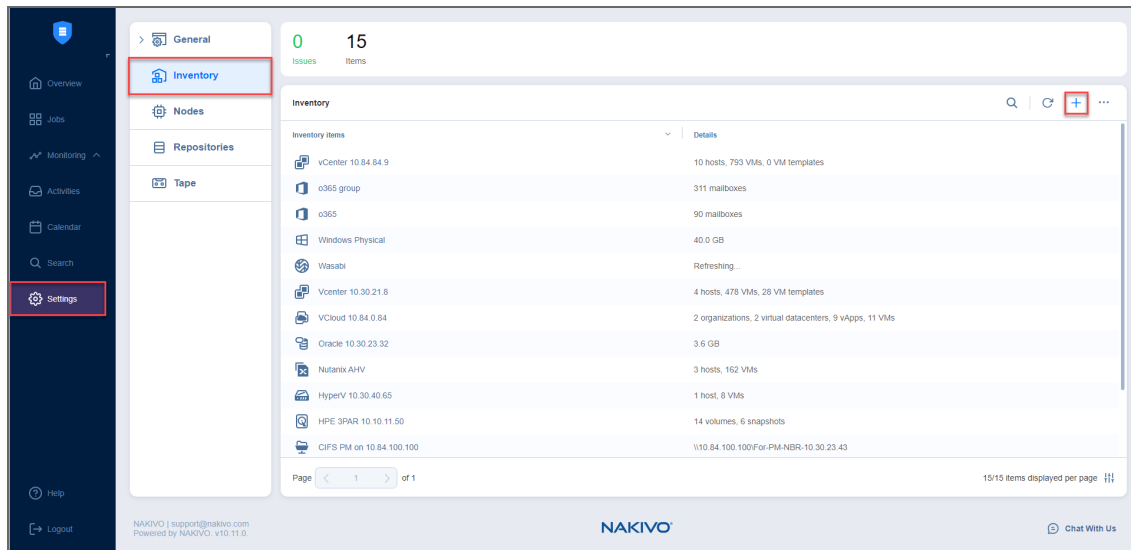
- **Display name:** Specify a name for the HPE 3PAR storage device. This name will be displayed in the **Inventory**.
- **Type:** Select the storage device type from the dropdown list: *HPE 3PAR*.
- **Hostname or IP:** Specify the hostname or the IP address of the HPE 3PAR device that you want to add to the **Inventory**.
- **Username:** Provide a username for the HPE 3PAR storage device.
- **Password:** Provide a password to the HPE 3PAR storage device.
- **Web services port:** Specify the web services port. By default, *8080* is selected.

7. Click **Finish** when you are done.

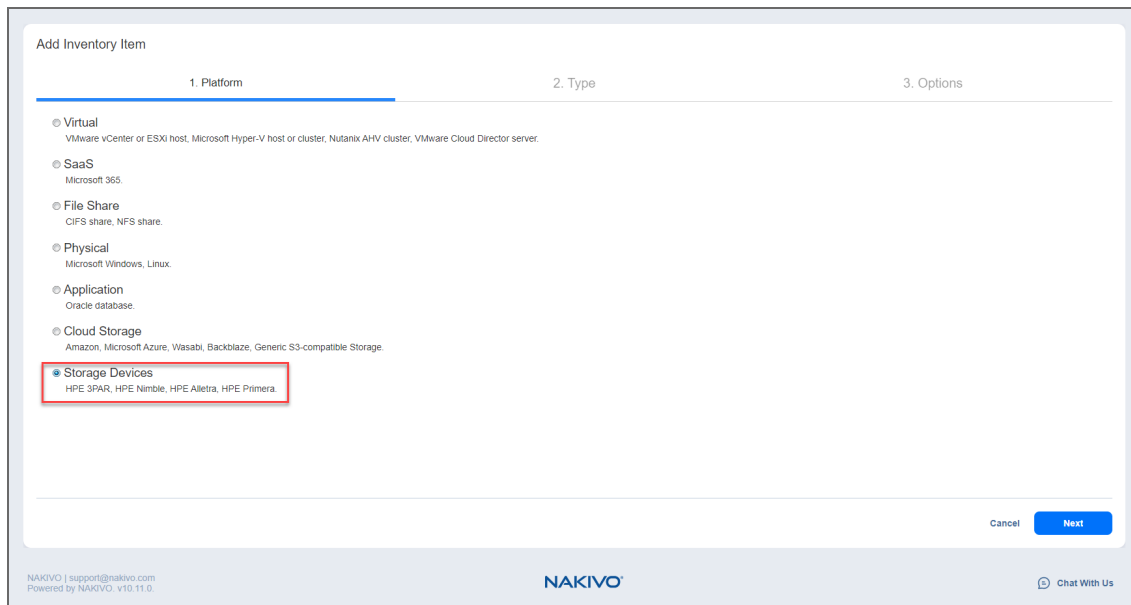
Adding HPE Nimble Storage Devices to Inventory

To add an HPE Nimble storage device to the NAKIVO Backup & Replication **Inventory**, follow the steps below:

1. Verify that the HPE Nimble device meets the integration [requirements](#).
2. Click **Settings** in the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
3. Go to the **Inventory** tab and click **+**.



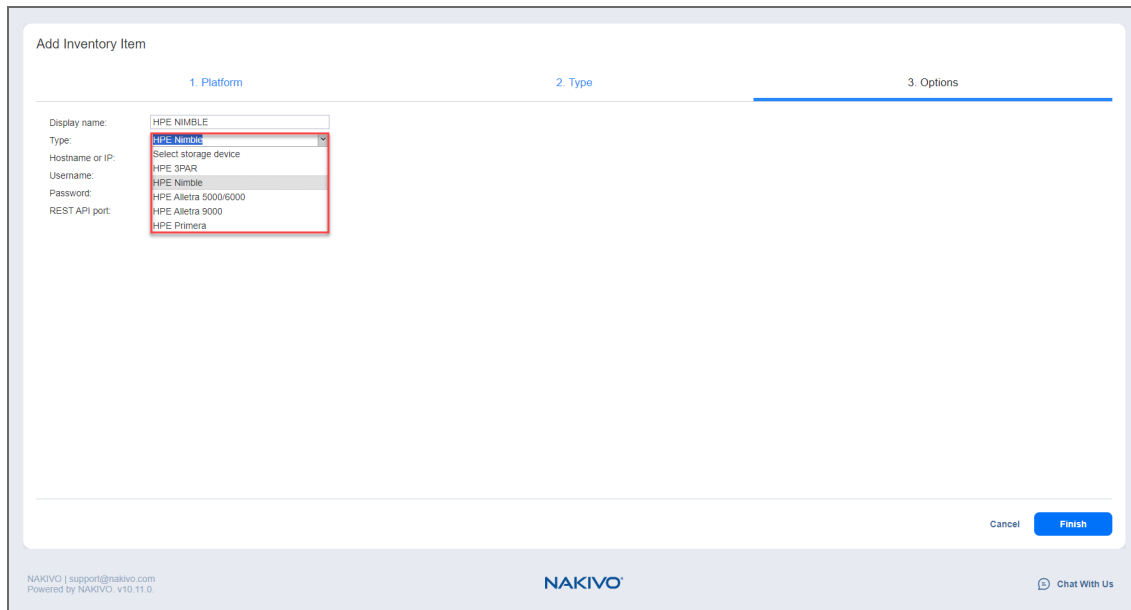
4. On the **Platform** page of the wizard, select **Storage Devices** and click **Next** to proceed.



5. On the **Type** page of the wizard, keep **Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE)** selected and click **Next**.

6. On the **Options** page of the wizard, provide the following information:

- **Display name:** Specify a name for the HPE Nimble storage device. This name will be displayed in the **Inventory**.
- **Type:** Select the storage device type from the dropdown list: *HPE Nimble*.
- **Hostname or IP:** Specify the hostname or the IP address of the HPE Nimble device that you want to add to the **Inventory**.
- **Username:** Provide a username for the HPE Nimble storage device.
- **Password:** Provide a password to the HPE Nimble storage device.
- **REST API port:** Specify the REST API port.

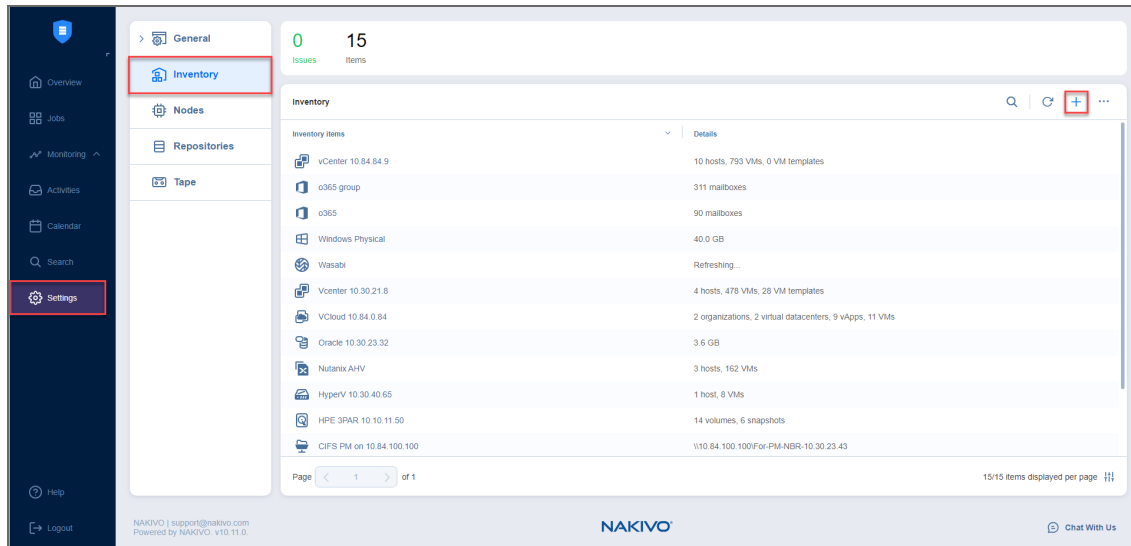


7. Click **Finish** when you are done.

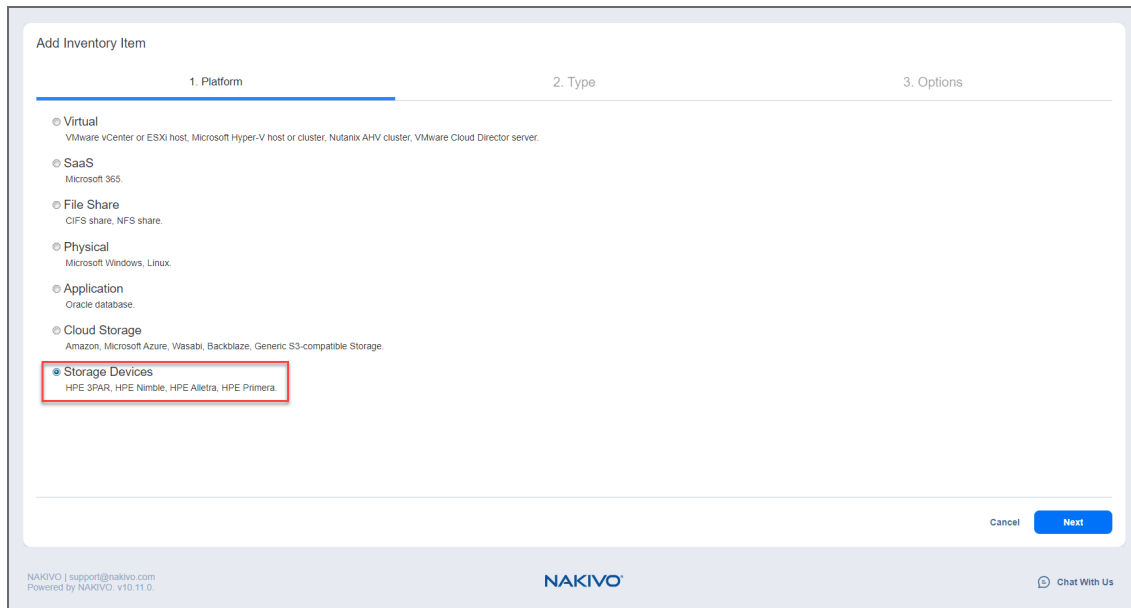
Adding HPE Primera Storage Devices to Inventory

To add an HPE Primera storage device to the NAKIVO Backup & Replication **Inventory**, follow the steps below:

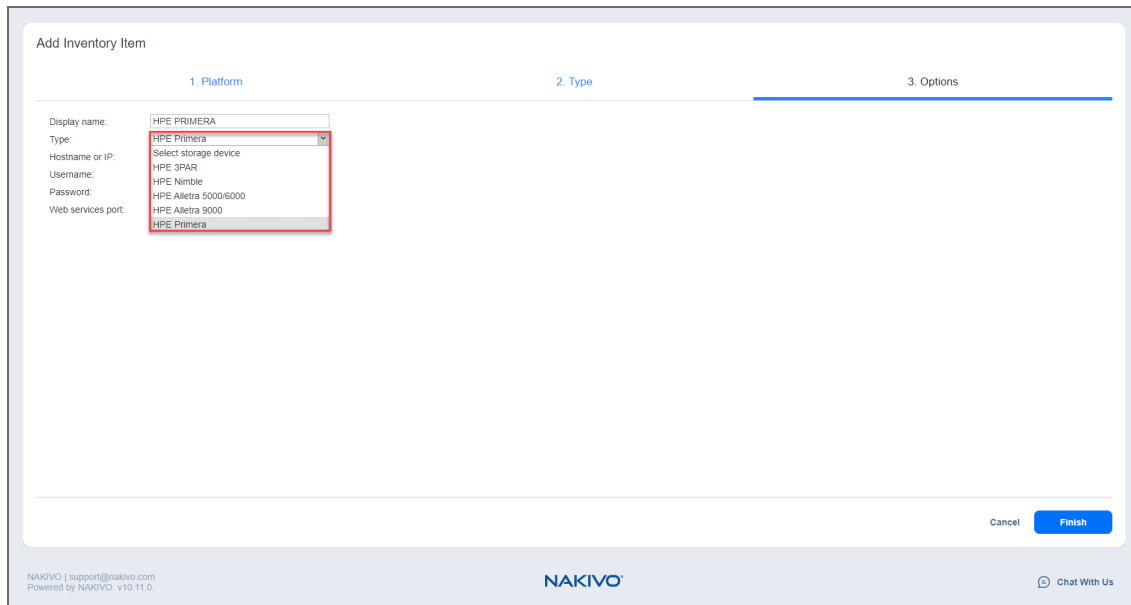
1. Verify that the HPE Primera device meets the integration [requirements](#).
2. Click **Settings** in the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
3. Go to the **Inventory** tab and click **+**.



4. On the **Platform** page of the wizard, select **Storage Devices** and click **Next** to proceed.



5. On the **Type** page of the wizard, keep **Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE)** selected and click **Next**.
6. On the **Options** page of the wizard, provide the following information:
 - **Display name:** Specify a name for the HPE Primera storage device. This name will be displayed in the **Inventory**.
 - **Type:** Select the storage device type from the dropdown list: *HPE Primera*.
 - **Hostname or IP:** Specify the hostname or the IP address of the HPE Primera device that you want to add to the **Inventory**.
 - **Username:** Provide a username for the HPE Primera storage device.
 - **Password:** Provide a password to the HPE Primera storage device.
 - **Web services port:** Specify the web services port. By default, *443* is selected.

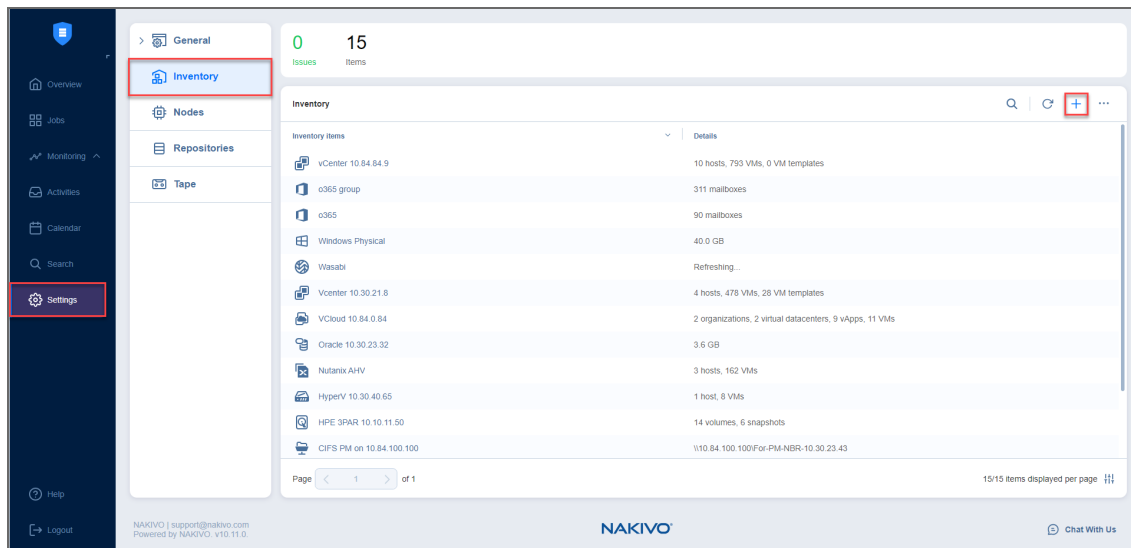


7. Click **Finish** when you are done.

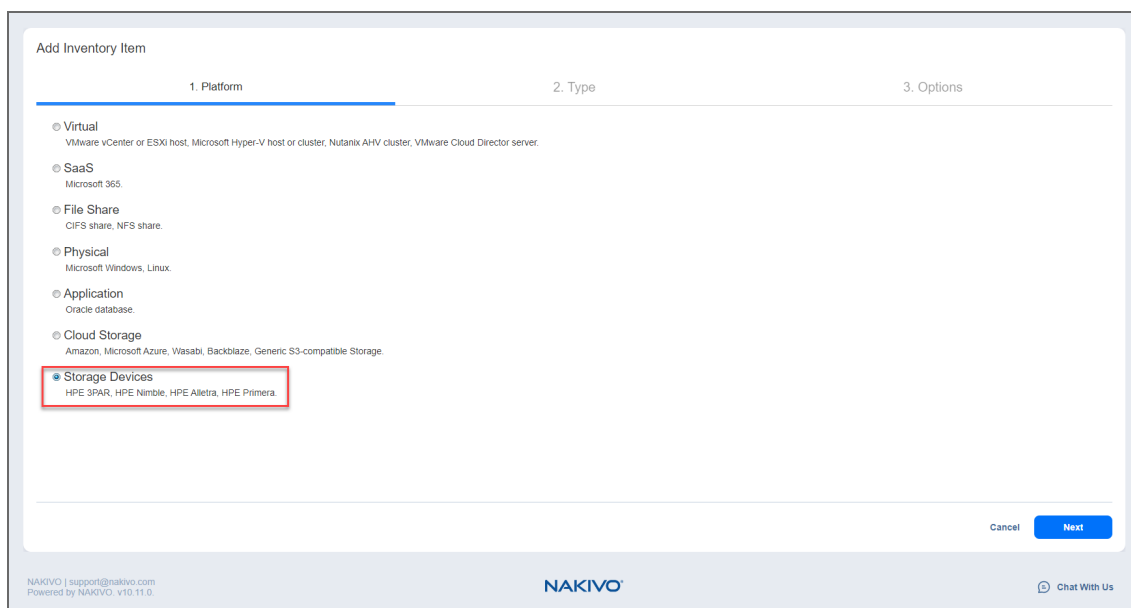
Adding HPE Alletra Storage Devices to Inventory

To add an HPE Alletra storage device to the NAKIVO Backup & Replication **Inventory**, follow the steps below:

1. Verify that the HPE Alletra device meets the integration [requirements](#).
2. Click **Settings** in the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
3. Go to the **Inventory** tab and click **+**.



4. On the **Platform** page of the wizard, select **Storage Devices** and click **Next** to proceed.



5. On the **Type** page of the wizard, keep **Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE)** selected and click **Next**.
6. On the **Options** page of the wizard, provide the following information:
 - **Display name:** Specify a name for the HPE Alletra storage device. This name will be displayed in the **Inventory**.

- **Type:** Select the storage device type from the dropdown list: *HPE Alletra 5000/6000* or *HPE Alletra 9000*.
- **Hostname or IP:** Specify the hostname or the IP address of HPE Alletra device that you want to add to the **Inventory**.
- **Username:** Provide a username for the HPE Alletra storage device.
- **Password:** Provide a password to the HPE Alletra storage device.
- **REST API port:** For the *HPE Alletra 5000/6000* storage device type, specify the REST API port.
- **Web services port:** For the *HPE Alletra 9000* storage device type, specify the web services port.
By default, *443* is selected.

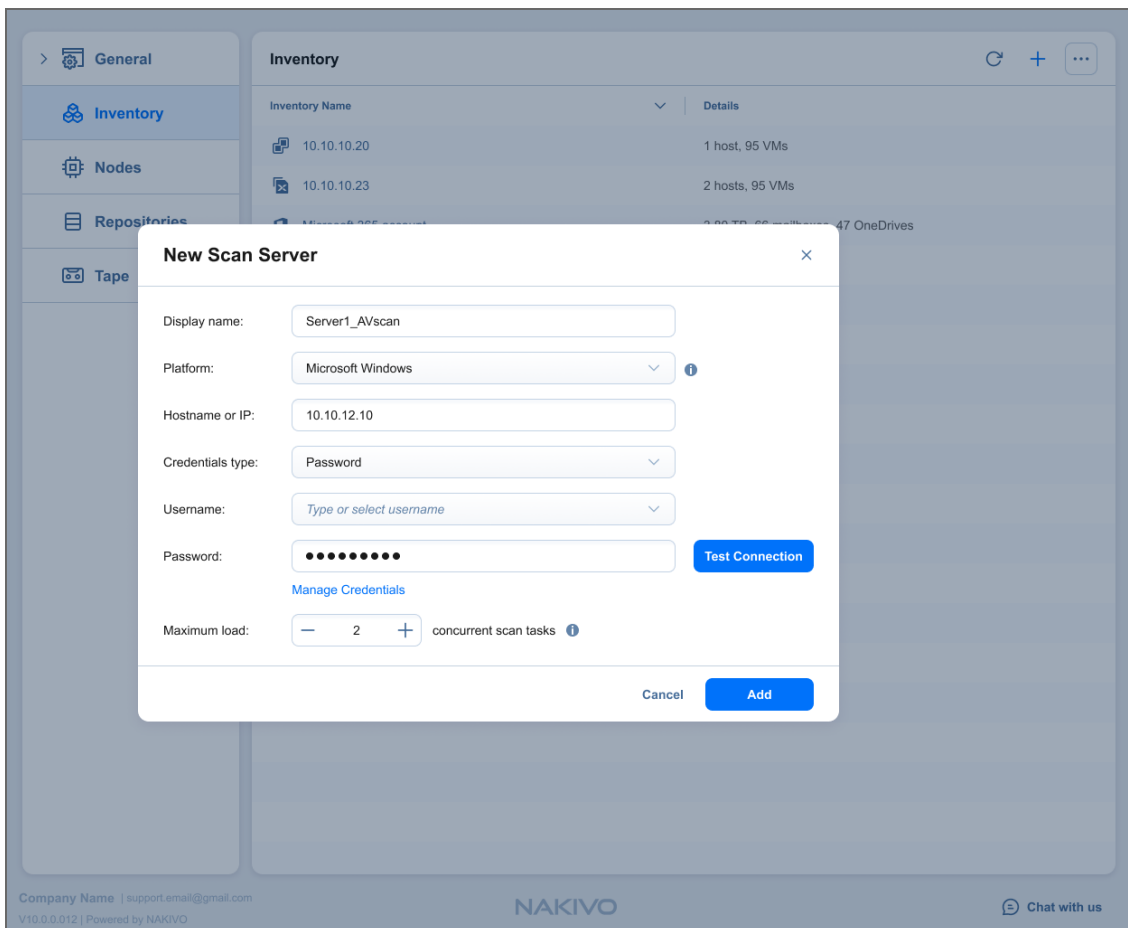
7. Click **Finish** when you are done.

Adding Scan Servers

To add Scan Servers to the **Inventory**, do the following:

1. Go to **Settings > Inventory**.
2. Click the “...” button and select **Scan servers**.
3. The **Scan Servers** popup displays a list of added scan servers. Optionally, you can click the “...” button to the right of an added scan server and select **Edit** or **Delete** to either edit a scan server’s settings or delete it from the list.
4. Click the “+” button.
5. In the **New Scan Server** popup, provide the following information:
 - **Display name:** Specify a name for the scan server.
 - **Platform:** Select either **Microsoft Windows** or **Linux**.

- **Hostname or IP:** Specify the hostname or IP address of the scan server that you want to add to the **Inventory**.
 - **Credentials type:** Choose your preferred option and enter your respective credentials:
 - **Password:** Enter a **Username** with administrative privileges for the scan server entered above and your **Password**.
 - **Private key:** Select your private key from the drop-down list.
6. Optionally, you can add, manage, or delete your credentials using the **Manage credentials** functionality. Refer to [Managing Credentials](#) for more information.
 7. Click **Test Connection** to make sure that NAKIVO Backup & Replication can successfully connect to your scan server.
 8. Configure the **Maximum load** for the scan server, which is the maximum number of concurrent scan tasks the scan server can process.
 9. After you're done, click **Add**.



Managing Inventory

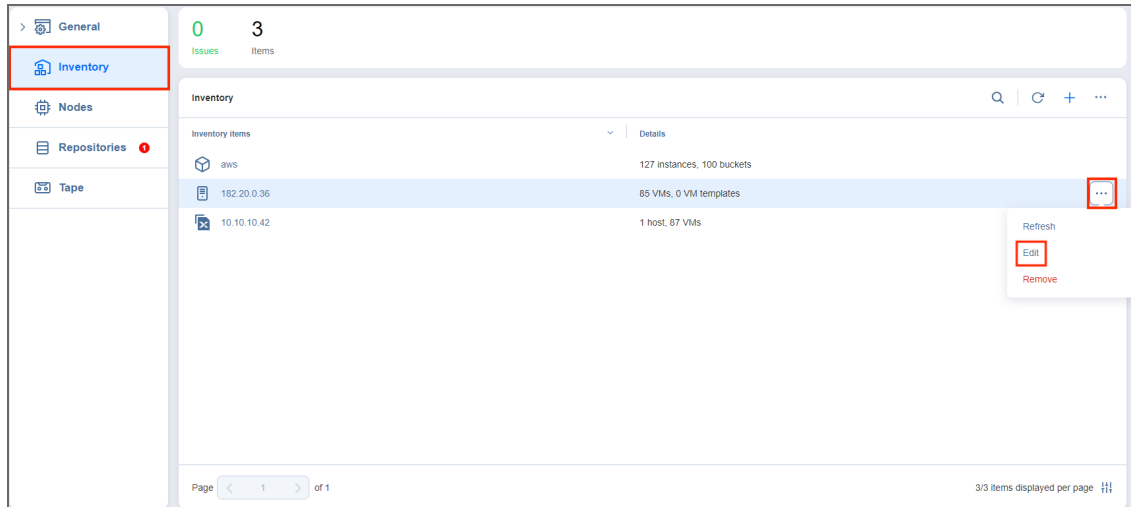
Refer to the following topics:

- [“Editing Inventory Items” on page 475](#)
- [“Refreshing Inventory” on page 476](#)
- [“Removing Items from Inventory” on page 478](#)

Editing Inventory Items

If the credentials of an inventory item are no longer correct, the connection to the **Inventory** item will be lost. To re-establish a connection, update the required fields in the product by following the steps below:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
2. Go to the **Inventory** tab.
3. Hover over the item you would like to edit.
4. Click **•••** on the right side and then click **Edit**.



5. Update the appropriate fields and click **Save**.

Refreshing Inventory

NAKIVO Backup & Replication keeps the information about the discovered infrastructure in its internal database, which is refreshed every 1 hour by default. During the **Inventory** refresh, the product collects all required information about your virtual infrastructure, such as a list of hosts and VMs, their power state, and so on.

Only one item can be refreshed at a time. If you have added multiple items to the inventory, they will remain in the queue until they are able to be refreshed. Refer to the sections below to learn how to refresh the discovered infrastructure.

- [Changing Inventory Refresh Frequency](#)
- [Manually Refreshing All Inventory](#)
- [Manually Refreshing a Discovered Item](#)

Changing Inventory Refresh Frequency

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
2. Go to the **System setting > Auto refresh** tab.
3. Do either of the following:
 - To prevent the product from automatically refreshing the **Inventory**, deselect the **Refresh inventory every X [time period]** checkbox.
 - To change the inventory refresh frequency, enter a new value in the **Refresh inventory every X [time period]** field (from 1 to 60 minutes or from 1 to 24 hours).

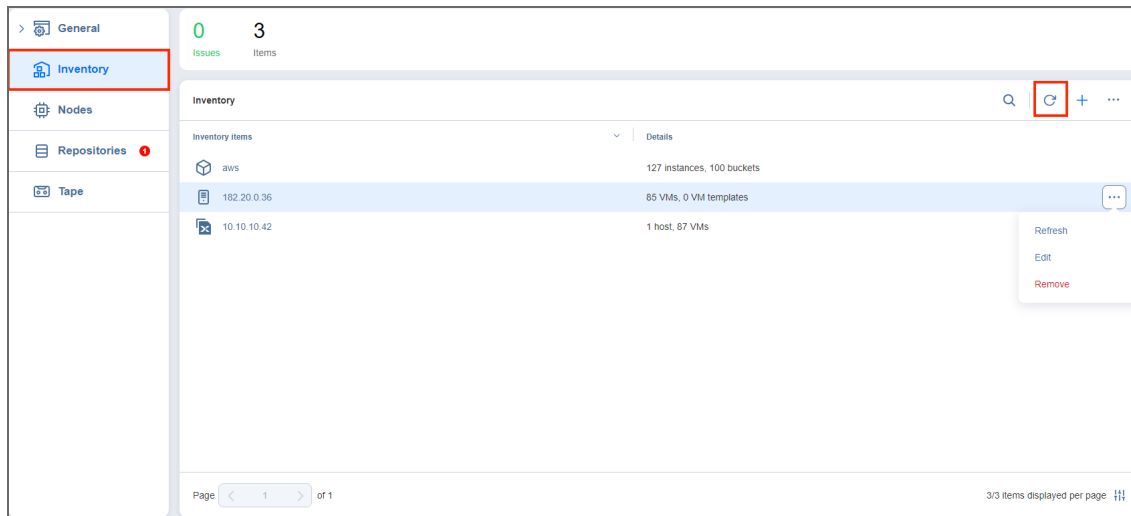
Note

New settings are applied instantly and do not need to be saved.

Manually Refreshing the Entire Inventory

To refresh all **Inventory** items, follow the steps below:

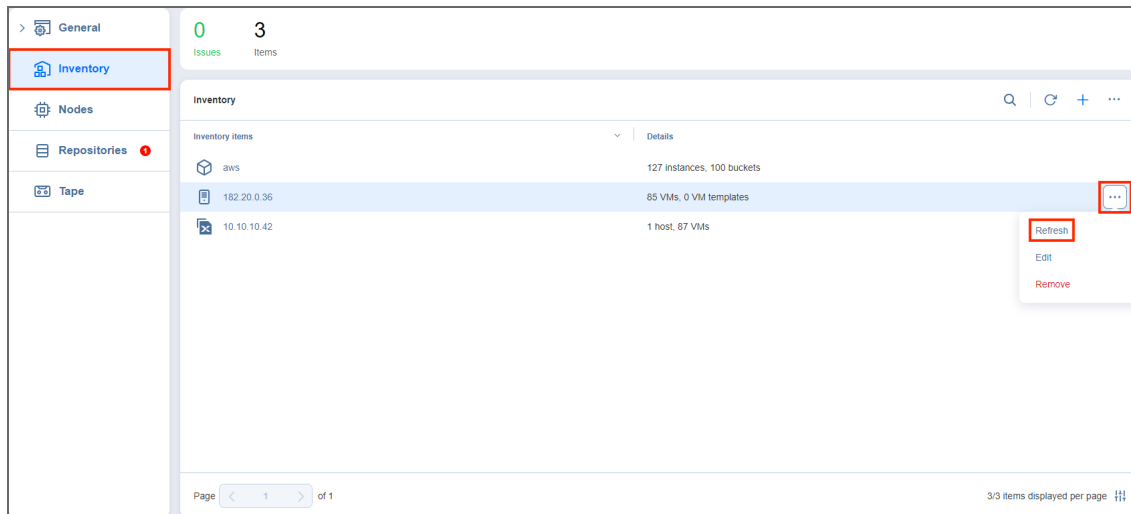
1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product and go to the **Inventory** tab.
2. Click the **Refresh All** button.



Manually Refreshing an Inventory Item

To refresh a single **Inventory** item, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product and go to the **Inventory** tab.
2. Click the **...** button next to the item that you would like to refresh.
3. Click **Refresh**.

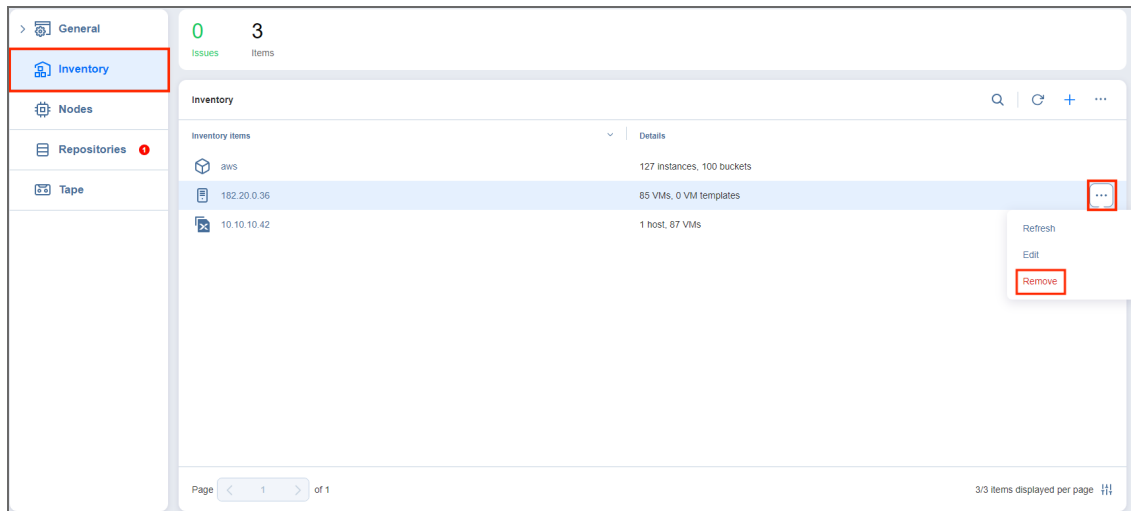


Removing Items from Inventory

You cannot remove an inventory item if there is at least one backup or replication job that uses the item or its children. In order to remove such items from the **Inventory**, you first need to delete (or edit) the corresponding jobs so no VMs/Instances are backed up or replicated on the host/server/account being removed.

To remove an item from the **Inventory**, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product and go to the **Inventory** tab.
2. Hover over the item that you would like to remove from the **Inventory**.
3. Click **Manage** on the right side and click **Remove**.



Managing Credentials

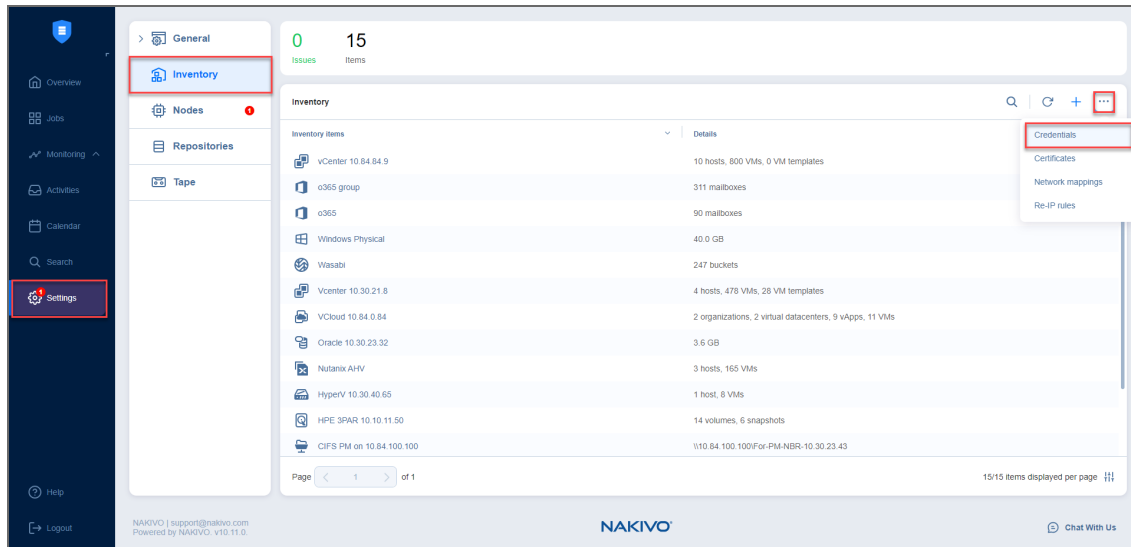
NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides you with the ability to store your OS login and password, Amazon EC2 instance private keys, and SSH keys to your Linux machines. Refer to the following topics:

- [Adding Credentials](#)
- [Editing Credentials](#)
- [Deleting Credentials](#)

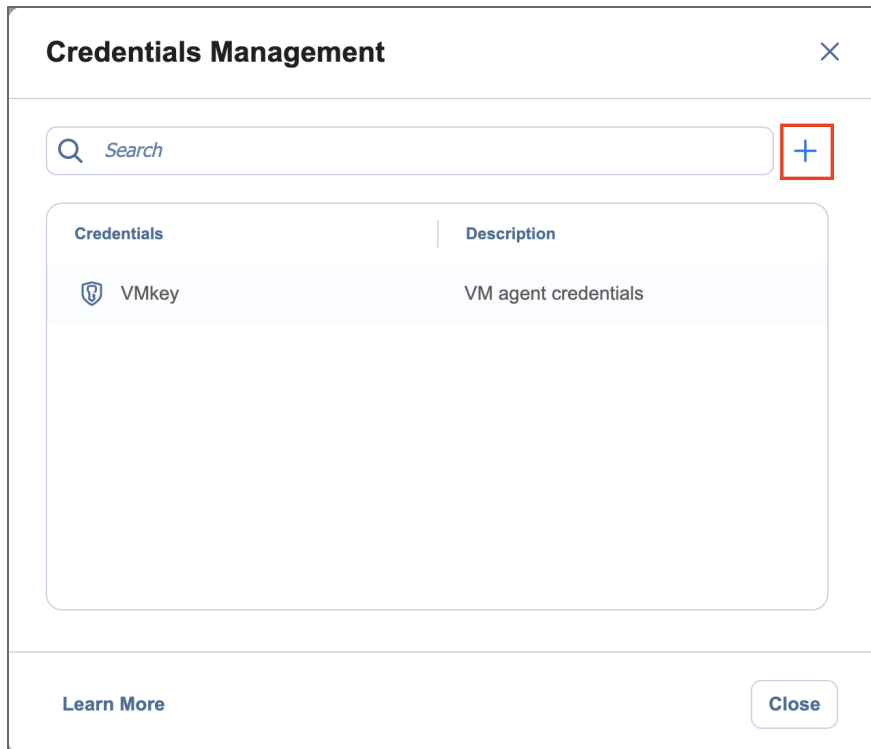
Adding Credentials

To add new credentials, do the following:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
2. Go to the **Inventory** tab.
3. Click **Manage**.
4. In the dialog box that opens, click **Credentials**.



5. In the **Manage Credentials** dialog box that opens, click **Add Credentials**.



6. Then, do the following:

- **Type:** Select the type of credentials:
 - To set up a basic username and password, fill out the **Username**, **Password**, and (optionally) **Description** fields and click **Save**.
 - To set up a master password, select **Master password** from the drop-down list and fill out the **Name**, **Password**, and (optionally) **Description** fields and click **Save**.
 - To add a private key to an Amazon EC2 instance or a Linux physical machine, do the following:
 - a. **Private key:** Select **Private Key** from the **Type** menu.
 - b. **Username:** Enter a username for the private key.
 - c. **Password:** Create a password for the private key.
 - d. **Repeat password:** Repeat password.

Note

If you generated your key with a passphrase, you have to enter this passphrase into the **Password** and **Repeat password** boxes.

- e. Locate and select the private key.

Notes

- Supported key formats: RSA, DSA
- By default, newer versions of *ssh-keygen* generate keys with the unsupported `-----BEGIN OPENSSH PRIVATE KEY-----` format. To generate a key with the `-----BEGIN RSA PRIVATE KEY-----` format, include `-m PEM` in your *ssh-keygen* command.
- Supported file extensions: no extension, `.pem`, `.key`, `.cer`, `.der`, `.txt`

f. Fill out the **Description** box.

g. Click **Save**.

Add Credentials ✕

Type: Private Key ▾

Username: user

Password: •••••• 👁

Repeat password: •••••• 👁

Private Key: key.pem Browse...

Description: OS key

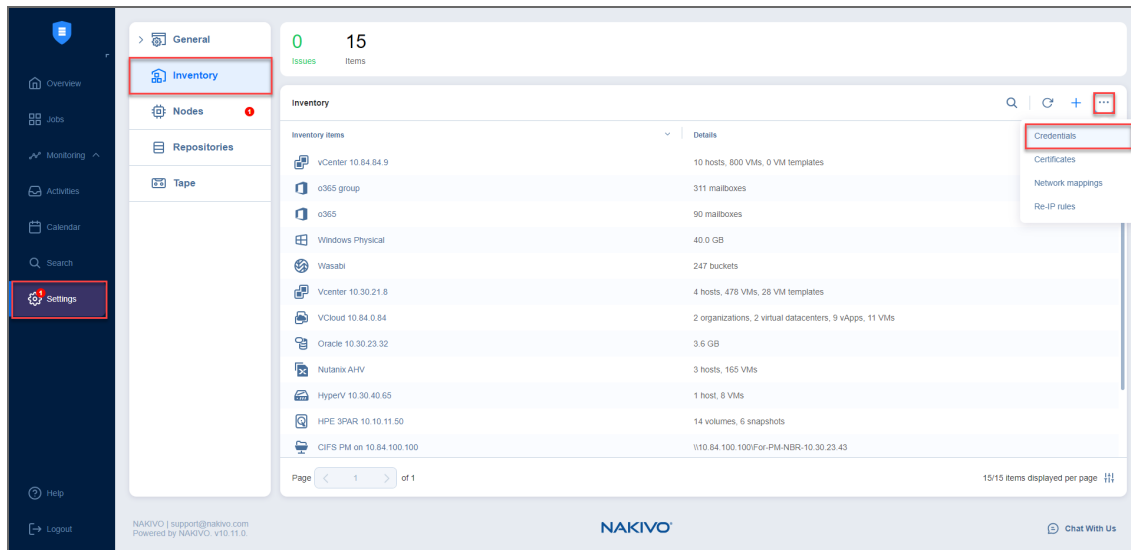
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You can now assign the credentials while creating jobs or setting up VM agents.

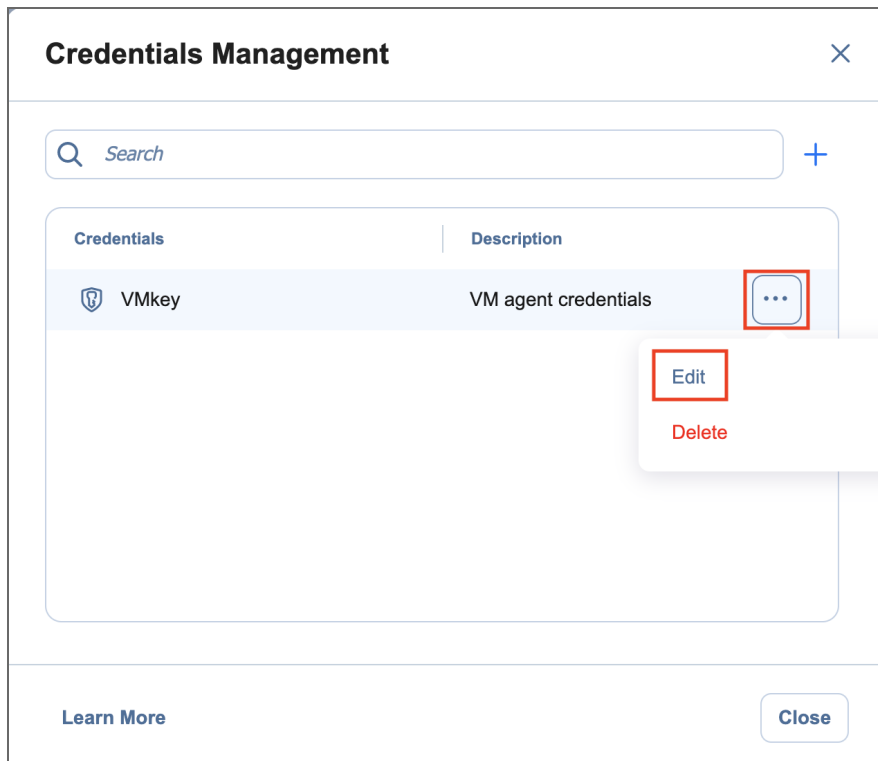
Editing Credentials

To edit credentials, do the following:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
2. Go to the **Inventory** tab.
3. Click **Manage**.
4. In the dialog that opens, click **Credentials**.



5. Hover over the record that you would like to edit and click **Manage > Edit**.

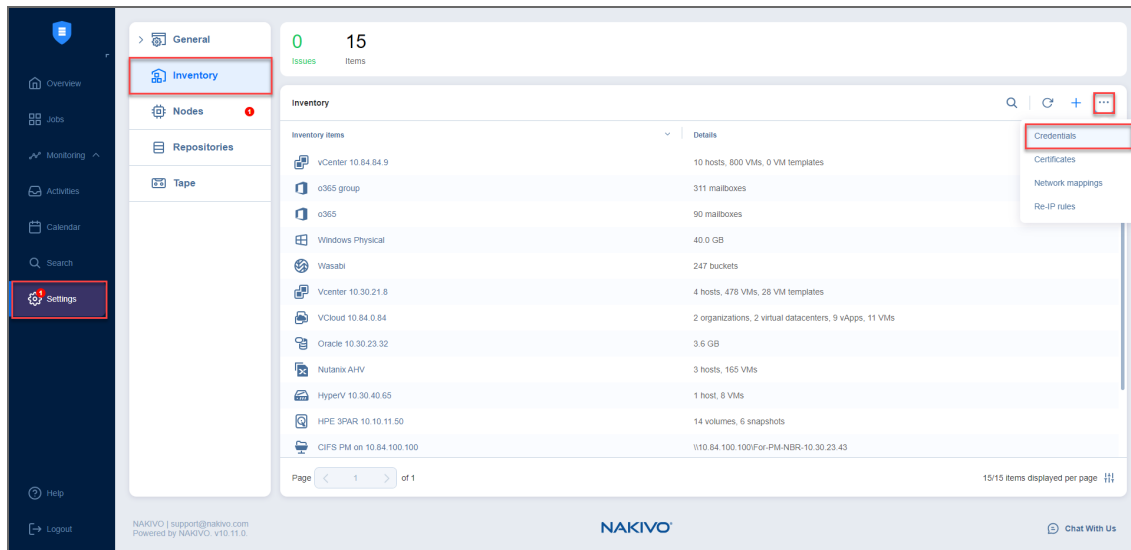


6. Make any required changes, and then click **Save**.

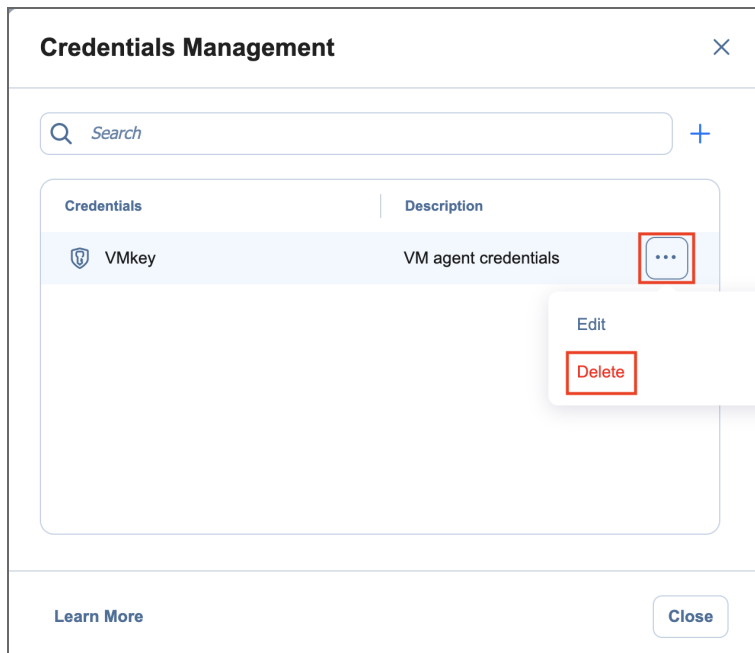
Deleting Credentials

To delete credentials, do the following:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
2. Go to the **Inventory** tab.
3. Click **Manage**.
4. In the dialog that opens, click **Credentials**.



5. Hover over the record that you would like to delete and click **Manage > Delete**.



6. Click **Delete** in the confirmation dialog box that opens.

Nodes

Nodes are an essential component of NAKIVO Backup & Replication. They include **Transporters**, VM Agents, and Physical Machine Agents. The **Transporter**, for example, performs backup, replication, and recovery, as well as data compression, deduplication, and encryption. The **Nodes** tab contains a **Summary** bar, which offers an overview of all nodes. The data displayed is as follows:

- **Issues:** Total number of issues/alarms related to nodes
- **Nodes:** Total number of nodes
- **Inaccessible:** Total number of inaccessible nodes
- **Working:** Total number of working nodes
- **Idle:** Total number of idle nodes

Name	Type	Hostname or Port	Port	Max I/O	Current load	Version	Status
Onboard...	Transporter (Installed)	10.30.23.14	9446	6	0	10.8.0.r695	Good
10.30.23...	Transporter (Nutanix /	10.30.24.29	9446	6	0	10.8.0.r695	Good
Asia Pac...	Transporter (Amazon	10.0.177.50	9446	6	0	10.8.0.e695	Good
HV	Transporter (Installed)	10.30.21.18	9446	6	0	10.8.0.r695	Good
Windows...	Physical machine age	10.30.23.52	9446	6	0	10.8.0.p695	Good
Asia Pac...	Transporter (Amazon	18.143.100.	9446	6	0	10.8.0.e695	Good
aws	Transporter (Amazon	35.159.46.1	9446	6	0	10.7.0.e682	Inaccessible
34.254.1...	Transporter (Installed)	34.254.189.	9446	6	0		Failed
Nutanix	Transporter (Nutanix /		9446	6	0		Failed
HyperV	Transporter (Installed)	10.30.40.65	9446	6	0	10.7.0.r663i	Inaccessible
34.254.1...	Transporter (Installed)	34.254.189.	9446	6	0	10.8.0.r695	Refreshing... 40%

To learn how to add nodes and manage them, refer to the topics below:

- [“Configuring Nodes” below](#)
- [“Managing Nodes” on page 516](#)

Configuring Nodes

Refer to the following topics:

- [“Adding Existing Nodes” on the next page](#)
- [“Deploying Transporter as Nutanix AHV Appliance” on page 493](#)
- [“Deploying Transporter as VMware Appliance” on page 495](#)
- [“Deploying Transporters in Amazon EC2” on page 498](#)

- “Installing a VM Agent” on page 502
- “Installing I/O Filter” on page 504
- “Installing the Journal Service” on page 514

Adding Existing Nodes

After you have installed a **Transporter** or Agent, you need to add it to NAKIVO Backup & Replication so that the **Transporter** or Agent can be used for backup, replication, and recovery tasks.

Important

Before adding the existing **Transporter** to your NAKIVO Backup & Replication, make sure that this **Transporter** is not used by any other **Director** as it may lead to unforeseen errors.

Refer to the following topics:

- [Installed Service](#)
- [VMware Appliance](#)
- [Amazon EC2 Instance](#)
- [Nutanix AHV Appliance](#)

Installed Service

Follow the steps below to add a node that is installed as a service:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product and go to the **Nodes** tab.
2. Click **Add Existing Node** and then click **Installed service**.

The screenshot shows the NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface. On the left, the 'Nodes' tab is selected. The main area displays a summary of system status: 391 Issues, 6 Nodes, 2 Inaccessible, 0 Working, and 4 Idle. Below this, there is a table of nodes with columns for Name, Type, Hostname or IP, Port, and Max load. A dropdown menu is open, showing options for adding a node: 'Installed service', 'VMware vSphere appliance', 'Amazon EC2 instance', and 'Nutanix AHV appliance'. The 'Add Existing Node' option is highlighted. The table contains the following data:

Name	Type	Hostname or IP	Port	Max load	Status
aws	Transporter (Amazon)	35.159.46.1	9446	6	
Windows...	Physical machine age	10.30.23.52	9446	6	
Onboard ...	Transporter (Installed)	10.30.23.14	9446	6	0 10.8.0.r695 Good
HyperV	Transporter (Installed)	10.30.40.65	9446	6	0 10.7.0.r663 Inaccessible
Asia Paci...	Transporter (Amazon)	10.0.37.138	9446	6	0 10.8.0.e695 Good
10.30.23...	Transporter (Nutanix A	10.30.24.29	9446	6	0 10.8.0.r695 Good

- The **Add Existing Node - Installed Service** menu opens. In the **Hostname or IP** box, enter the IP address or hostname of the machine on which the node is installed.

Note

If you are adding the node by a DNS name, make sure this DNS name can be resolved on the machines on which the **Director** and any other nodes (which you plan to use in conjunction with the current one) are installed.

3. Click **More options...** to reveal and edit the following fields:

- In the *Networking* section:
 - **Node port:** Specify the port number that will be used to connect to the node.
 - **Data transfer ports:** Specify a range of port numbers (from 1 to 65535) that will be used to transfer data. The range you specify should contain at least 100 ports. Make sure that the ports you specify are open in your firewall.
- In the *Settings* section:
 - **Node name:** Specify a display name for the node.
 - **Maximum load:** Specify the maximum number of tasks that the node should process simultaneously. A task, for example, is a backup or replication of a single VM disk, or one granular recovery session.
 - **Additional load for recovery jobs:** If selected, the specified amount of tasks will be added to set maximum node load to be used for recovery jobs exclusively. This allows running the specified amount of concurrent recovery jobs along with other types of jobs without the need to wait for their completion.
 - **Enable Direct Connect for this node:** When this option is enabled, you can access remote resources via a single port connection without establishing a VPN connection. The following conditions must be met at the remote infrastructure to enable this feature:
 - A NAKIVO **Transporter** or Agent must be installed.
 - A master password must be set for security reasons. A pre-shared key is generated based on the entered master password.
 - The node port on the local machine must be exposed to external availability via the Internet.
 - **Enable debug logging for this node:** If needed, enable debug level logging for the current node. It is not recommended to use this option on a permanent basis.
- In the *Security* section:
 - **Master Password:** Optionally, you can set a password to secure the connection. The set password must match the one configured on the **Transporter** or Agent. Note that setting a master password is required when the **Enable Direct Connect for this node** option is enabled. Proceed as follows:

- a. After entering the password, click **Connect**.
- b. The **Certificate Details** dialog box appears. Verify the certificate details, and click **Accept**.

Notes

- The master password must adhere to the following requirements:
 - Minimal length - 5 characters.
 - Maximum length - 50 characters.
- The master password can be set and re-set manually by running the command on the machine housing the **Transporter** or **Agent**. Follow these steps:
 - Enter the following command `bhsvc -b password`, replacing "password" with your master password.
 - [Restart](#) the **Transporter** or **Agent**.

4. Click **Add**. The node is added to the product and can be used for backup, replication, and recovery jobs.

Add Existing Node - Installed Service

Hostname or IP: ⓘ

Networking

Node port: ⓘ

Data transfer ports: ⓘ

Settings

Node name:

Maximum load: ⓘ concurrent tasks ⓘ

Additional load for recovery jobs: ⓘ concurrent tasks ⓘ

Enable Direct Connect for this node (requires master password) ⓘ

Enable debug logging for this node ⓘ

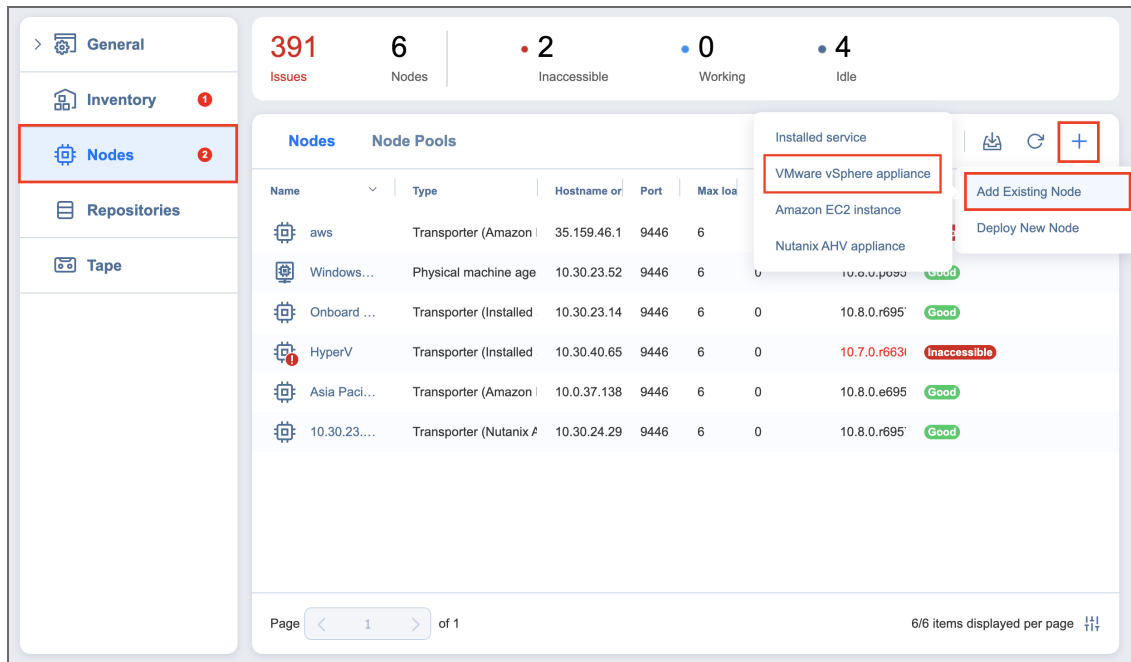
Security

Master password: ⓘ Connect

VMware Appliance

Follow the steps below to add a **Transporter** that is [deployed as a VMware appliance](#):

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product dashboard and go to the **Nodes** tab.
2. Click **Add Existing Node** and then click **VMware vSphere appliance** in the dialog that opens.



3. The **Add Existing Transporter - VMware vSphere Appliance** dialog opens. Fill out the fields as described below:
 - In the **Host or cluster** box, specify the location of the host or cluster where the corresponding virtual machine is deployed.
 - In the **Virtual machine** box, specify the virtual machine on which the **Transporter** is installed.
 - In the **OS Username** and **OS Password** fields, specify credentials for accessing the virtual machine.
 - In the **SSH port** box, enter the SSH port if needed.
 - Click **More options** to reveal and edit the following fields:
 - In the *Networking* section:
 - **Transporter port**: Specify the port number that will be used to connect to the Transporter.
 - **Data transfer ports**: Specify a range of port numbers (from 1 to 65535) that will be used to transfer data. The range you specify should contain at least 100 ports. Make sure that the ports you specify are open in your firewall.
 - In the *Settings* section:
 - **Transporter name**: Specify a display name for the **Transporter**.
 - **Maximum load**: Specify the maximum number of tasks that the **Transporter** should process simultaneously. A task, for example, is a backup or replication of a single VM disk, or one granular recovery session.

- **Additional load for recovery jobs:** Selecting this option reserves the **Transporter's** resources exclusively for recovery jobs. This allows you to run recovery jobs concurrently with other types of jobs without the need to wait for their completion. The **Transporter** resources will be reserved according to the specified number.
- **Enable debug logging for this transporter:** If needed, enable debug level logging for the current transporter. It is not recommended to use this option on a permanent basis.
- **Enable Direct Connect for this transporter:** When this option is enabled, you can access remote resources via a single port connection without establishing a VPN connection. The following conditions must be met at the remote infrastructure to enable this feature:
 - A NAKIVO Transporter must be installed.
 - A master password must be set for security reasons. A pre-shared key is generated based on the entered master password.
 - The **Transporter** port on the local machine must be exposed to external availability via the Internet.

4. Click **Add**. The **Transporter** is added to the product and can be used for backup, replication, and recovery jobs.

Add Existing Transporter - VMware vSphere Appliance

Host or cluster: vSan

Virtual machine: AD Server-replica

OS username: user

OS password:

SSH port: 2221

Networking

Transporter port: 9446

Data transfer ports: 9448-10000

Settings

Transporter name: VMware

Maximum load: 6 concurrent tasks

Additional load for recovery jobs: 2 concurrent tasks

Enable debug logging for this transporter

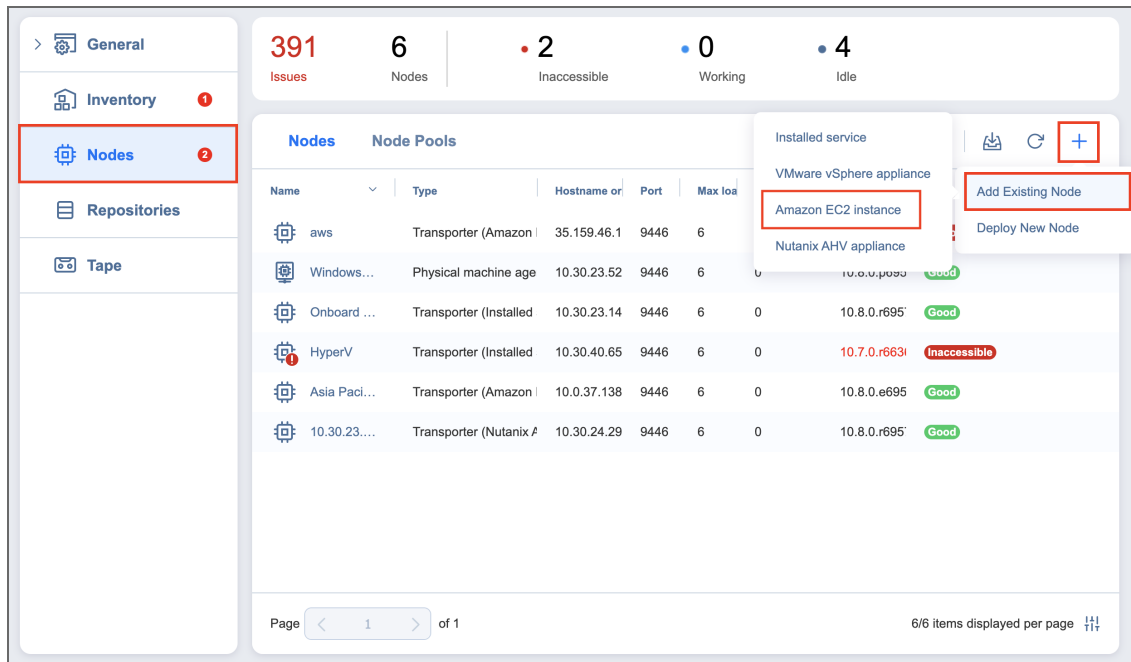
Enable Direct Connect for this transporter

Cancel Add

Amazon EC2 Instance

If you have already deployed a **Transporter** in Amazon EC2 and now wish to re-import the **Transporter** in a new instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, do the following:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product and go to the **Nodes** tab.
2. Click **Add Existing Node** and then click **Amazon EC2 instance** in the pop-up that opens.



3. The **Add Existing Transporter - Amazon EC2 Instance** dialog opens. Fill out the fields as described below:
 - **AWS account:** Choose an appropriate Amazon AWS Account from the list of Amazon AWS Accounts added to the [Inventory](#).
 - **Region:** Choose a region in which an AWS EC2 instance with the **Transporter** is deployed.
 - **EC2 Instance:** Select the Amazon EC2 Instance with the **Transporter** that you wish to add to the product.
 - **Private key:** Click the **Browse** button to locate and upload the Private key for the **Transporter** Instance that was created when you deployed the **Transporter** in the cloud.
 - Click **More options** to reveal and edit the following fields:
 - In the *Networking* section:
 - **Transporter port:** Specify the port number that will be used to connect to the **Transporter**.
 - **Data transfer ports:** Specify a range of port numbers (from 1 to 65535) that will be used to transfer data. The range you specify should contain at least 100 ports. Make sure that the ports you specify are open in your firewall.
 - In the *Settings* section:
 - **Operation mode:** Choose one of the following **Transporter** operation modes:
 - **Always running**
 - **Running while required**

- **Transporter name:** Specify a display name for the **Transporter**.
- **Maximum load:** Specify the maximum number of tasks that the **Transporter** should process simultaneously. A task, for example, is a backup or replication of a single VM disk, or one granular recovery session.
- **Additional load for recovery jobs:** If selected, the specified amount of tasks will be added to set maximum transporter load to be used for recovery jobs exclusively.
- **Enable debug logging for this Transporter:** If needed, enable debug level logging for the current transporter. It is not recommended that you use this option on a permanent basis.

4. Click **Add**. The **Transporter** is added to the product and can be used for backup, replication, and recovery jobs.

Add Existing Transporter - Amazon EC2 Instance

AWS account:

Region:

EC2 instance:

Private key: Please upload the key

Networking

Transporter port: ⓘ

Data transfer ports: ⓘ

Settings

Operation mode:

Transporter name:

Maximum load: concurrent tasks ⓘ

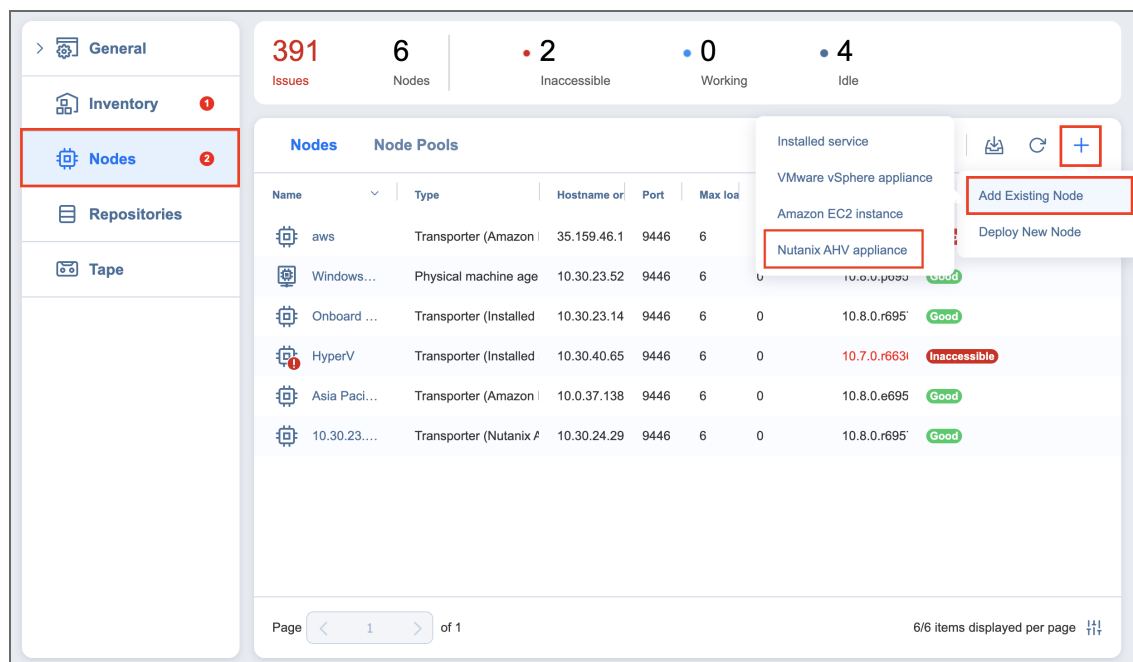
Additional load for recovery jobs: concurrent tasks ⓘ

Enable debug logging for this transporter ⓘ

Nutanix AHV Appliance

Follow the steps below to add a **Transporter** that is [deployed as a Nutanix AHV appliance](#):

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product and go to the **Nodes** tab.
2. Click **Add Existing Node** and then select **Nutanix AHV appliance**.



3. In the **Add Existing Transporter - Nutanix AHV Appliance** dialog, enter the following options:
- In the **Cluster** box, select the cluster where the corresponding virtual machine is deployed.
 - In the **Virtual machine** box, specify the virtual machine on which the **Transporter** is installed.
 - In the **OS Username** and **OS Password** fields, specify credentials for accessing the virtual machine.
 - In the **SSH port** box, enter the SSH port if needed.
 - Click **More options** to reveal and edit the following fields:
 - In the *Networking* section:
 - **Transporter port**: Specify the port number that will be used to connect to the **Transporter**.
 - **Data transfer ports**: Specify a range of port numbers (from 1 to 65535) that will be used to transfer data. The range you specify should contain at least 100 ports. Make sure that the ports you specify are open in your firewall.
 - In the *Settings* section:
 - **Transporter name**: Specify a display name for the **Transporter**.
 - **Maximum load**: Specify the maximum number of tasks that the **Transporter** should process simultaneously. A task, for example, is a backup or replication of a single VM disk, or one granular recovery session.
 - **Additional load for recovery jobs**: If selected, the specified amount of tasks will be added to set maximum transporter load to be used for recovery jobs exclusively.

- **Enable debug logging for this Transporter:** If needed, enable debug level logging for the current transporter. It is not recommended that you use this option on a permanent basis.

Add Existing Transporter - Nutanix AHV Appliance

Cluster: Nutanix AHV

Virtual machine: 24

OS username: user

OS password: *****

SSH port: 2221

Transporter port: 9446

Data transfer ports: 9448-10000

Settings

Transporter name: Nutanix

Maximum load: 6 concurrent tasks

Additional load for recovery jobs: 2 concurrent tasks

Enable debug logging for this transporter

Cancel
Add

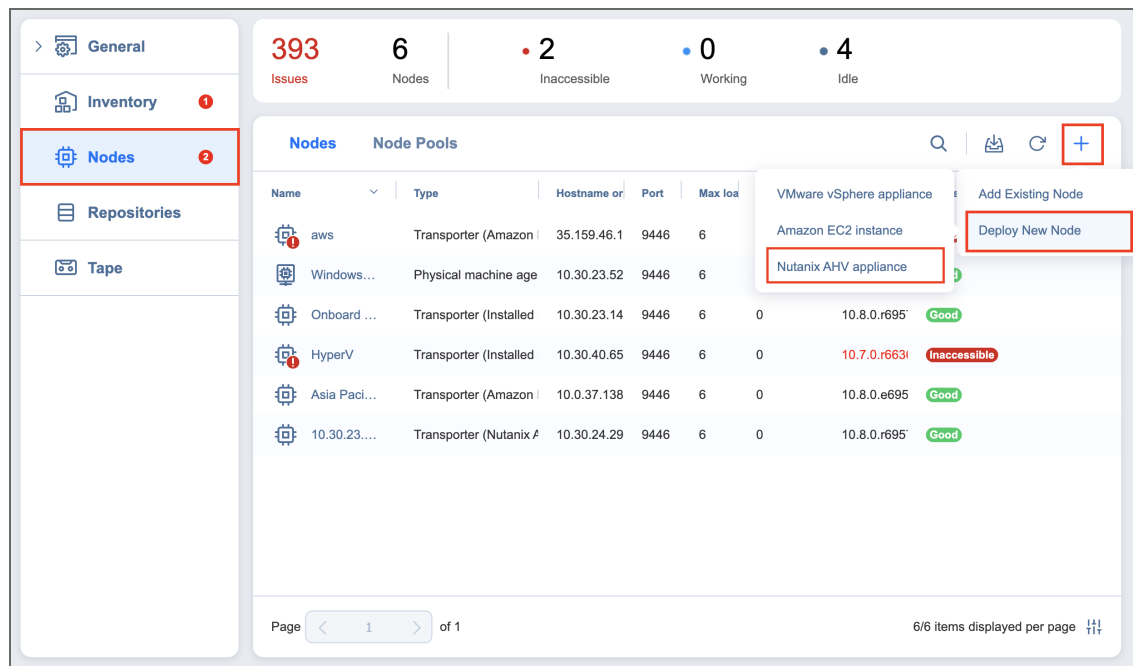
4. Click **Add**. The **Transporter** is added to the product and can be used for backup, replication, and recovery jobs.

Deploying Transporter as Nutanix AHV Appliance

To enable NAKIVO Backup & Replication to create and run jobs within a Nutanix AHV cluster, a dedicated **Transporter** must be deployed as a Nutanix appliance in that cluster.

Please follow the steps below to add a transporter as a Nutanix appliance:

1. Go to the **Settings > Nodes** tab and click **Deploy New Node**.
2. In the dialog that opens, click **Nutanix AHV appliance**.



3. In the **Deploy New Transporter - Nutanix AHV Appliance** dialog, specify the following options:
 - **Transporter name:** Enter a name for the new **Transporter**.
 - **Cluster:** Select a cluster where the transporter VM will run.
 - **Storage container:** Select a storage container where the transporter VM will be located.
 - **Virtual network:** Select a virtual network where the transporter VM will be connected.
4. Click **Deploy** to proceed with the automatically selected networking options and default **Transporter** load configuration.
5. Alternatively, click **More options** if you wish to manually set the following options:
 - **IP configuration:** Can be either **Automatic setup (DHCP)** or **Manual setup**. With manual setup selected, specify an **IP address**, **Subnet mask** and **Default gateway**.
 - **DNS configuration:** Can be either **Automatic setup (DHCP)** or **Manual setup**. With manual setup selected, specify **Primary** and **Secondary DNS**.
 - **Transporter port:** Enter a communication port for your **Transporter**.
 - **Data transfer ports:** Enter a port range that will be used by your **Transporter** for actual data transfer.
 - **Maximum load:** Specify the maximum number of tasks that the **Transporter** should process simultaneously. A task, for example, is a backup or replication of a single VM disk, or one granular recovery session.
 - **Additional load for recovery jobs:** If selected, the specified quantity of tasks will be added to set the maximum **Transporter** load to be used for recovery jobs exclusively. This allows for running the specified amount of concurrent recovery jobs along with other types of jobs without the need to wait for their completion.

- **Enable debug logging for this transporter:** If needed, enable debug level logging for the current transporter. Using this option on a permanent basis is not recommended.

Deploy New Transporter - Nutanix AHV Appliance

Transporter name:

Cluster: Nutanix AHV ⓘ

Storage container: NutanixManagementShare ⓘ

Virtual network: 77 ⓘ

Networking

IP configuration: Automatic setup (DHCP) ⓘ

IP address:

Subnet mask:

Default gateway:

DNS configuration: Automatic setup (DHCP) ⓘ

Primary DNS:

Secondary DNS:

Transporter port: 9446 ⓘ

Data transfer ports: 9448-10000 ⓘ

Settings

Maximum load: 6 concurrent tasks ⓘ

Additional load for recovery jobs: 2 concurrent tasks ⓘ

Enable debug logging for this transporter ⓘ

Cancel Deploy

6. Click **Deploy** to begin the deployment process. Successfully deployed transporters are displayed in the **Transporters** tab.

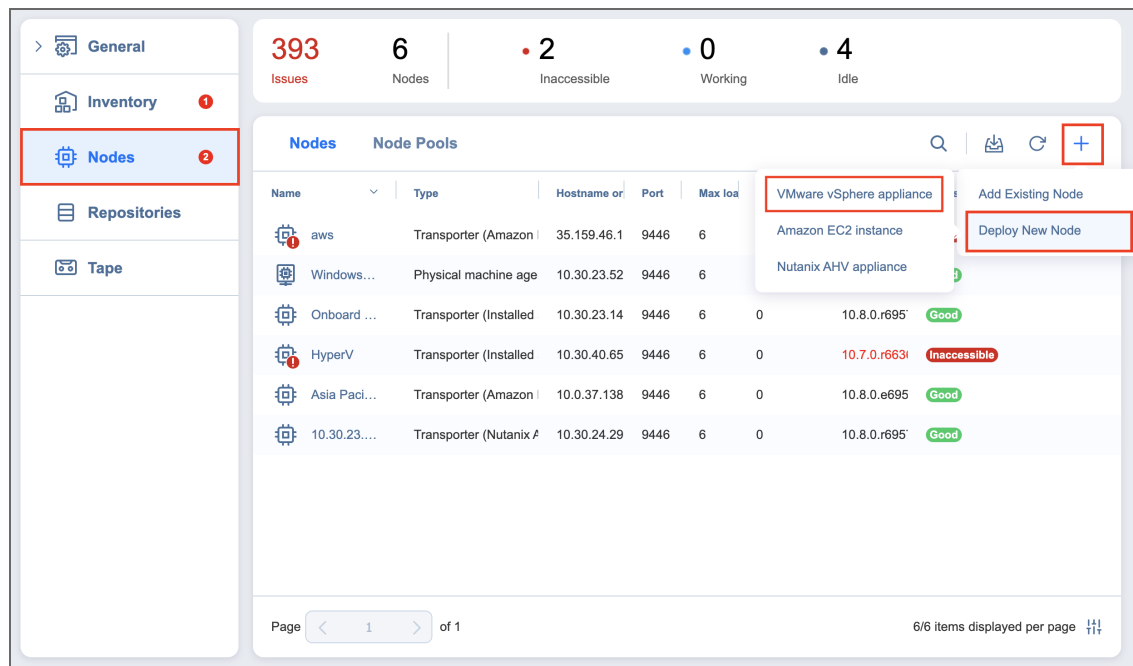
Deploying Transporter as VMware Appliance

Note

If your instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication is installed on ARM-based NAS, an external **Transporter** needs to be deployed to work with VMware vCenters and ESXi hosts. This is because certain features are not supported by ARM-based NASes.

Please follow the steps below to deploy a Transporter that supports VMware vCenter:

1. Go to the **Settings > Nodes** tab and click **Deploy New Node**.
2. In the dialog that opens, click **VMware vSphere appliance**.



3. In the **Deploy New Transporter - VMware vSphere Appliance** dialog that opens, proceed as follows:

- **Transporter name:** Enter a name for your **Transporter**.
- **Host or cluster:** Select a target host or cluster.
- **Datastore:** Select a target datastore.
- **Virtual network:** Select a target virtual network.

Note
An internet connection is required to deploy a new Transporter as a VMware appliance on the target host or cluster.

- If necessary, access the advanced options for your **Transporter** by clicking **More options** and then entering data for the following parameters:
 - In the *Networking* section:
 - **IP configuration:** It can be either **Automatic setup (DHCP)**, or **Manual setup**.
 - **IP address:** If you have chosen **Manual setup** for the IP configuration, enter a **Transporter** IP address.
 - **Subnet mask:** If you have chosen **Manual setup** for the IP configuration, enter a subnet mask.
 - **Default gateway:** If you have chosen **Manual setup** for the IP configuration, enter a default gateway.
 - **DNS configuration:** It can be either **Automatic setup (DHCP)**, or **Manual setup**.
 - **Primary DNS:** If you have chosen **Manual setup** for the DNS configuration, enter a primary DNS server IP address.

- **Secondary DNS:** If you have chosen **Manual setup** for the **DNS configuration**, enter a secondary DNS server IP address.
- **Transporter port:** Enter a communication port for your transporter.
- **Data transfer ports:** Enter a port range that will be used by your transporter for actual data transfer.
- In the *Settings* section:
 - **Maximum load:** A number of tasks concurrently processed by the **Transporter**.
 - **Additional load for recovery jobs:** If selected, the specified amount of tasks will be added to set maximum transporter load to be used for recovery jobs exclusively. This allows for running the specified amount of concurrent recovery jobs along with other types of jobs without the need to wait for their completion.
 - **Enable debug logging for this transporter:** When selected, it enables debug level logging for the Transporter. It is not recommended to have this option selected on a permanent basis.
 - **Enable Direct Connect for this transporter:** When this option is enabled, you can access remote resources via a single port connection without establishing a VPN connection. The following conditions must be met at the remote infrastructure to enable this feature:
 - A NAKIVO **Transporter** must be installed.
 - A master password must be set for security reasons. A pre-shared key is generated based on the entered master password.
 - The **Transporter** port on the local machine must be exposed to external availability via the Internet.

4. Click **Deploy** to confirm deploying the **Transporter**.

Deploy New Transporter - VMware vSphere Appliance

Transporter name: VMware

Host or cluster: vSan

Datastore: vsanDatastore

Virtual network: VM Network

Networking

IP configuration: Automatic setup (DHCP)

IP address:

Subnet mask:

Default gateway:

DNS configuration: Automatic setup (DHCP)

Primary DNS:

Secondary DNS:

Transporter port: 9446

Data transfer ports: 9448-10000

Settings

Maximum load: 6 concurrent tasks

Additional load for recovery jobs: 2 concurrent tasks

Enable debug logging for this transporter

Enable Direct Connect for this transporter

Cancel Deploy

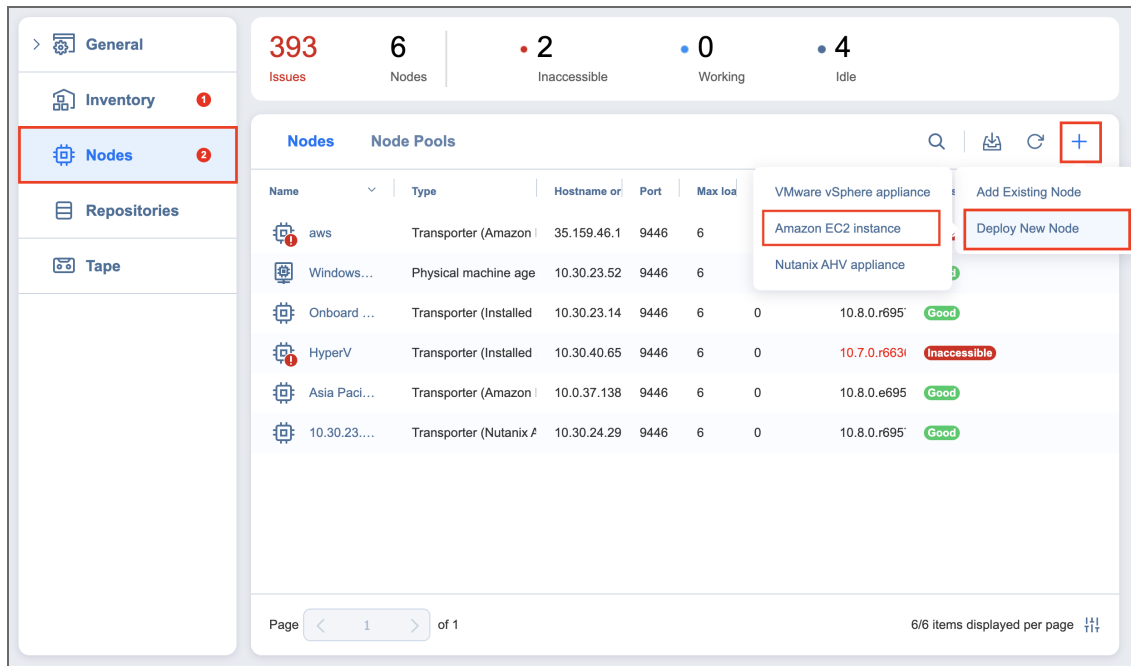
Deploying Transporters in Amazon EC2

You need to deploy a **Transporter** in Amazon EC2 to enable the following features:

- Backing up VMware VMs and/or Amazon EC2 Instances to a backup repository located in Amazon EC2.
- Backing up Amazon EC2 Instances in a particular Amazon EC2 Region.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication automates deploying a **Transporter** in Amazon EC2. To deploy a **Transporter** in Amazon EC2 within the product interface, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product and go to the **Nodes** tab.
2. Click **Deploy New Node** and click **Amazon EC2 instance** in the resulting drop-down list.



3. The **Deploy New Transporter - Amazon EC2 Instance** dialog opens. Fill out the fields as described below:

- **Transporter name:** Enter a name for the **Transporter**.
- **Region:** Select an Amazon EC2 region where you wish to deploy the **Transporter**. This will enable you to create a backup repository in the region as well as back up Amazon EC2 Instances available in the region.
- **Instance type:** Choose a type of Amazon EC2 Instance (for example, "t2.medium") that will be used to deploy the **Transporter**. Note that more powerful instances may be able to process data faster, but will cost more to run on Amazon EC2.

Note
ARM-based instances cannot be selected if you have chosen **Windows** for the **Platform** option.

- Click **More options** to reveal and edit the following options:
 - In the *Networking* section:
 - **Automatically configure VPC for this transporter:** If selected, a new VPC with a single public subnet will be created and used to deploy this transporter. If you want to deploy the **Transporter** into a different VPC and subnet, deselect this option.
 - **Network:** Select a network to which the Amazon EC2 instance with the **Transporter** will be connected.

- **Subnet:** Select a subnet for the Amazon EC2 Instance with the **Transporter**.
- **Allowed traffic from:** Enter the IP addresses of the machines that can connect to the Amazon EC2 instance with the **Transporter**. Access from other IP addresses will be restricted.

Important

By default, the Amazon EC2 security group is not restricted; that is, the **Transporter** can be accessed by and receive tasks from any machine. For security purposes, restrict traffic to trusted IP addresses.

- **Transporter Port:** Specify the port number that will be used to connect to the **Transporter**.
- **Data transfer ports:** Specify a range of port numbers (from 1 to 65535) that will be used to transfer data. The range you specify should contain at least 100 ports. Make sure that the ports you specify are open in your firewall.
- In the *Settings* section:
 - **Operation mode:** If you select the **Running while required** option, the Amazon EC2 Instance with the **Transporter** will be powered on only when the **Transporter** is required to run a backup, replication, and recovery tasks.
 - **Platform:** Choose an OS for the instance where the **Transporter** will be deployed.

Note

Windows OS is not supported for ARM-based instances.

- **Maximum load:** Specify the maximum number of tasks that the **Transporter** should process simultaneously. An example of a task is processing a single VM disk or a single file recovery session.
- **Additional load for recovery jobs:** If selected, the specified amount of tasks will be added to set the maximum **Transporter** load to be used for recovery jobs exclusively. This allows for running the specified quantity of concurrent recovery jobs along with other types of jobs without the need to wait for their completion.

- **Enable debug logging for this Transporter:** Enables debug level logging for the current **Transporter**. Since this feature slows down **Transporter** performance, it is recommended that you enable debug logging only for the investigation of support issues.

Note

Refer to [“Amazon EC2 Concepts”](#) on page 7 for the definitions of Amazon EC2-related terms.

4. Click **Deploy**.

Deploy New Transporter - Amazon EC2 Instance

Transporter name: EC2

Region: EU (London)

Instance type: a1.large

Networking

Automatically configure VPC for this transporter

Network: Select target network

Subnet: Select target subnet

Allowed traffic from: 0.0.0.0/0

Transporter port: 9446

Data transfer ports: 9448-10000

Settings

Operation mode: Always running

Platform: Linux

Maximum load: 6 concurrent tasks

Additional load for recovery jobs: 2 concurrent tasks

Enable debug logging for this transporter

Cancel Deploy

Note

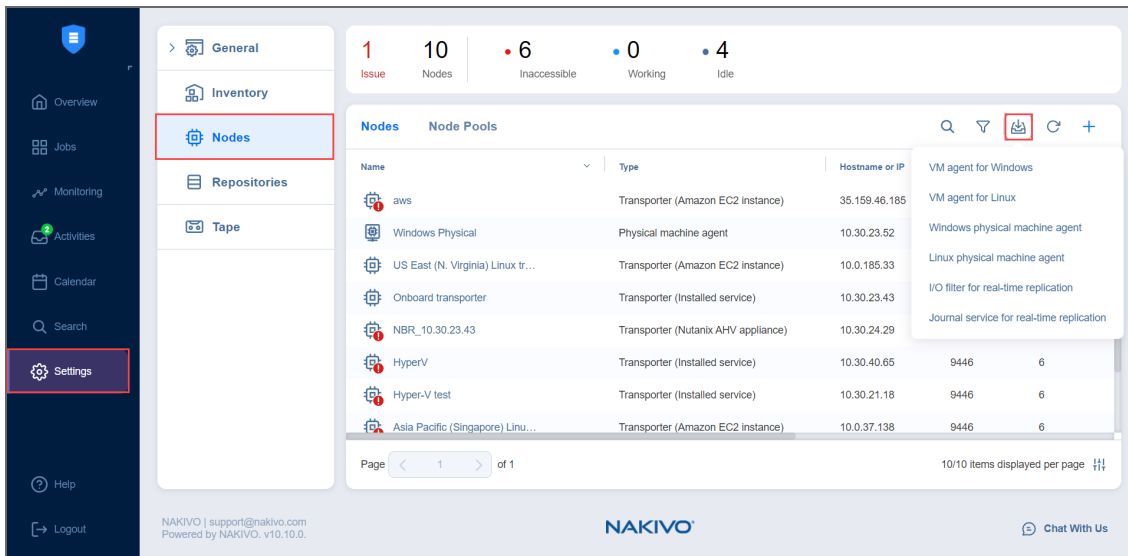
- After deploying a **Transporter** in Amazon EC2, you need to download the Transporter Key. A Transporter Key is used by NAKIVO Backup & Replication to access and manage the **Transporter** in Amazon EC2. If you lose the current instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication and install a new copy of the product, you will need to provide the Transporter Key to access the **Transporter**.
- You may be additionally charged for using a 3rd-party resource. Please refer to the 3rd-party resource provider documentation for details.

Installing a VM Agent

Each VM agent (VMA) has its own ID, certificate, and pre-shared key. The VMA ID must be unique, meaning that duplicate agents (that is, agents with the same ID) are not permitted. It is recommended that you use unique certificates and master passwords with each VMA. See below for installation details.

Installation

You can download the VM Agent (VMA) installer files from the application UI. To do this, go to **Settings** > **Nodes**, click the **Download** button, and select the needed OS.



Installation is done via the command line and requires you to set up a master password with a minimum length of 5 characters. Note that you cannot install a VMA on a machine on which a **Transporter** is installed, and vice versa. See command examples below:

- Windows: `installer.exe --cert C:\certificate.pem -p ExamplePassword --eula-accept`
 - To confirm installation success, check **Control Panel > Programs & Features**
 - Installation result is logged in `C:\install.log`
- Linux: `installer.sh -s 9445 --cert /tmp/certificate.pem -p ExamplePassword --eula-accept`
 - To confirm installation success, run the `systemctl status nkv-bhsvc` command.
 - Installation result is logged in `/tmp/nkv-install.log`

After installing the VM Agent, proceed as described in [“Using a VM Agent” on page 523](#).

Removal

Removing a VM agent in the product UI does not remove it from the VM. Removing VM agents is only possible by uninstalling them from the VM. See uninstallation details below:

- Windows: Run *Uninstall NAKIVO Backup & Replication Agent*, located in the *NAKIVO* folder within *Programs*.
- Linux: Run the */opt/nakivo/agent/uninstall* command.

Certificate

Installed VM agents (VMAs) may use a CA-signed certificate or a self-signed certificate. After successful installation of the VMA, local copies of the provided certificate for VMA installation are automatically removed.

Multiple CA certificate chains are not supported. CA certificates must be placed in the **Director** installation folder. These certificates are trusted automatically by the **Director**.

If a CA-signed certificate is not provided, the VMA automatically generates a self-signed certificate.

Installing I/O Filter

I/O Filter is a software module that installs into a cluster and allows intercepting and manipulating VM's I/O. In order to create and run a real-time replication job for VMware, the source cluster(s) must have the **I/O Filter** tool installed. See the sections below for details.

- [Installation](#)
 - [Creating a VM Storage Policy](#)
 - [Assigning a VM Storage Policy](#)
- [Update](#)
- [Removal](#)

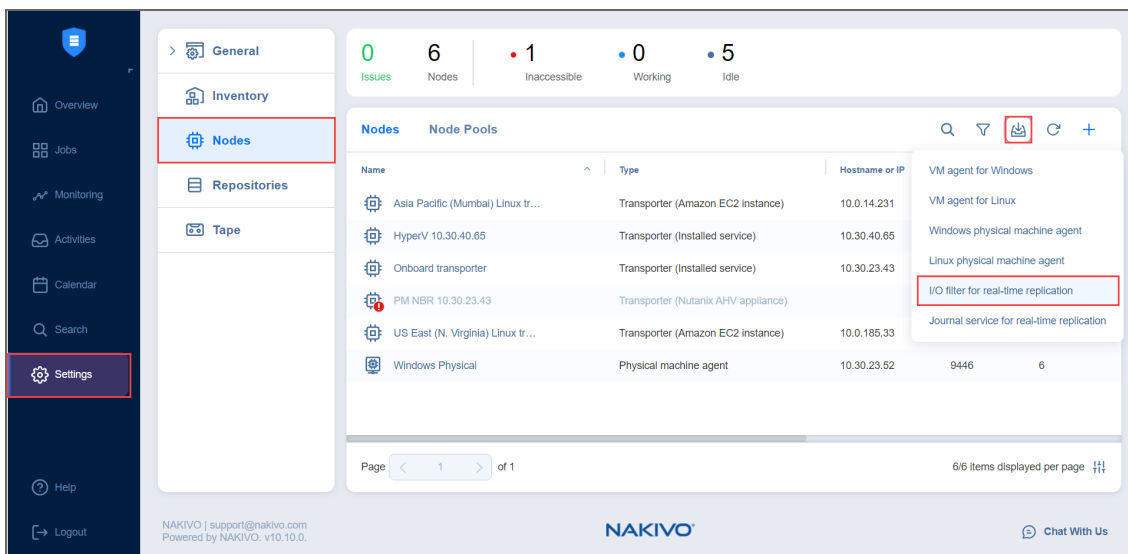
Installation

I/O Filter is a software module that installs into a cluster and allows intercepting and manipulating VM's I/O.

Note

I/O Filter should be installed into a cluster and there is no need to install it on the target side.

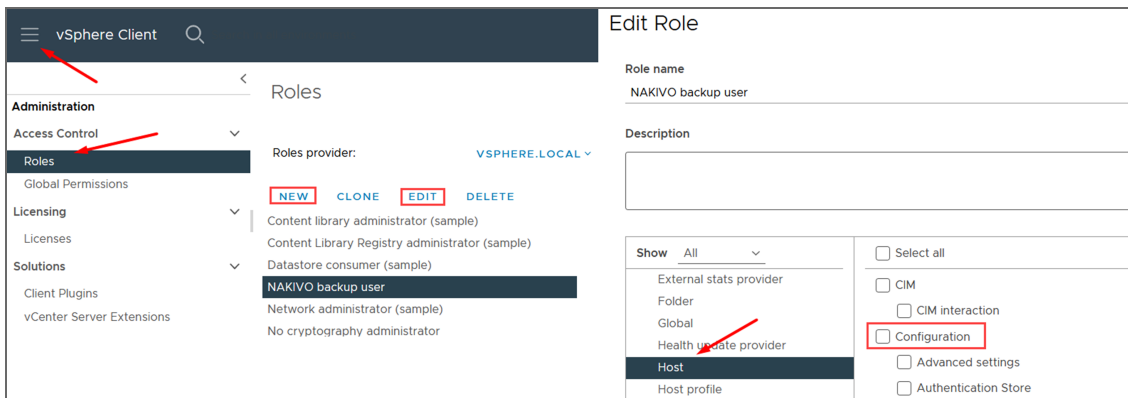
You can download the **I/O Filter** bundle from the NAKIVO Backup & Replication UI. To do this, go to **Settings** > **Nodes**, click the **Download** button, and click **I/O filter for real-time replication**.



Installing the **I/O Filter** on a cluster will create an instance of **I/O Filter Daemon** on every ESXi host of the cluster.

Notes

- Hosts may need to be manually put into maintenance mode during the **I/O Filter** installation.
- The ESXi host's acceptance level must be set to **Community level**. Therefore, only clusters using baselines are supported (no clusters using a single image are supported). To check a host's acceptance level, select the host and navigate to **Configure > System > Security Profile > Host Image Profile Acceptance Level**.
- The *Query patch* vCenter permission must be granted to NAKIVO Backup & Replication to manage the I/O Filter (**Host > Configuration > Query patch**). Note that the *Query patch* vCenter permission must be granted for the user who used to add to the NAKIVO Inventory. Refer to the following screenshots for details:



By default, the **I/O Filter** bundle file is located in the NAKIVO Backup & Replication *iofilter* folder:

- Windows: `C:\Program Files\NAKIVO Backup & Replication\packages\iofilter`
- Linux: `/opt/nakivo/director/packages/iofilter`

Proceed as follows:

1. Add `/mob` to the appropriate vCenter URL. For example, if the vCenter is located on `10.10.10.10`, enter `https://10.10.10.10/mob` in your browser.
2. After logging in, locate the **content** link in the **Properties** table and click the link.

Managed Object Type: ManagedObjectReference:ServiceInstance		
Managed Object ID: ServiceInstance		
Properties		
NAME	TYPE	VALUE
capability	Capability	capability
content	ServiceContent	content
serverClock	dateTime	"2022-04-20T08:33:13.786106Z"
Methods		
RETURN TYPE	NAME	
dateTime	currentTime	
HostVMotionCompatibility[]	QueryVMotionCompatibility	
ServiceContent	RetrieveServiceContent	
ProductComponentInfo[]	RetrieveProductComponents	
Event[]	ValidateMigration	

3. Find and click on the **IoFilterManager** link.

Managed Object Type: ManagedObjectReference:IoFilterManager		
Managed Object ID: IoFilterManager		
Properties		
NAME	TYPE	VALUE
about	AboutInfo	about
accountManager	ManagedObjectReference:HostLocalAccountManager	Unset
alarmManager	ManagedObjectReference:AlarmManager	AlarmManager
authorizationManager	ManagedObjectReference:AuthorizationManager	AuthorizationManager
certificateManager	ManagedObjectReference:CertificateManager	certificateManager
clusterProfileManager	ManagedObjectReference:ClusterProfileManager	ClusterProfileManager
complianceManager	ManagedObjectReference:ProfileComplianceManager	MoComplianceManager
cryptoManager	ManagedObjectReference:CryptoManagerKmpip	CryptoManager
customFieldsManager	ManagedObjectReference:CustomFieldsManager	CustomFieldsManager
customizationSpecManager	ManagedObjectReference:CustomizationSpecManager	CustomizationSpecManager
datastoreNamespaceManager	ManagedObjectReference:DatastoreNamespaceManager	DatastoreNamespaceManager
diagnosticManager	ManagedObjectReference:DiagnosticManager	DiagMgr
dvSwitchManager	ManagedObjectReference:DistributedVirtualSwitchManager	DVSwitchManager
eventManager	ManagedObjectReference:EventManager	EventManager
extensionManager	ManagedObjectReference:ExtensionManager	ExtensionManager
failoverClusterConfigurator	ManagedObjectReference:FailoverClusterConfigurator	Unset
failoverClusterManager	ManagedObjectReference:FailoverClusterManager	Unset
fileManager	ManagedObjectReference:FileManager	FileManager
guestOperationsManager	ManagedObjectReference:GuestOperationsManager	guestOperationsManager
healthUpdateManager	ManagedObjectReference:HealthUpdateManager	HealthUpdateManager
hostProfileManager	ManagedObjectReference:HostProfileManager	HostProfileManager
hostSpecManager	ManagedObjectReference:HostSpecificationManager	HostSpecificationManager
ioFilterManager	ManagedObjectReference:IoFilterManager	IoFilterManager
ipPoolManager	ManagedObjectReference:IpPoolManager	IpPoolManager
licenseManager	ManagedObjectReference:LicenseManager	LicenseManager
localizationManager	ManagedObjectReference:LocalizationManager	LocalizationManager
overheadMemoryManager	ManagedObjectReference:OverheadMemoryManager	OverheadMemoryManager
ovfManager	ManagedObjectReference:OvfManager	OvfManager

4. On the resulting page, click the **InstallIoFilter_Task** link in the **Methods** table.

Managed Object Type: ManagedObjectReference:IoFilterManager		
Managed Object ID: IoFilterManager		
Properties		
NAME	TYPE	VALUE
Methods		
RETURN TYPE	NAME	
ClusterIoFilterInfo	InstallIoFilter_Task	
VirtualDiskId[]	QueryDisksUsingFilter	
ClusterIoFilterInfo[]	QueryIoFilterInfo	
IoFilterQueryIssueResult	QueryIoFilterIssues	
void	ResolveInstallationErrorsOnCluster_Task	
void	ResolveInstallationErrorsOnHost_Task	
void	UninstallIoFilter_Task	
ClusterIoFilterInfo	UpgradeIoFilter_Task	

5. On the resulting page, configure the following parameters:

- **vibUrl**: Enter the **I/O Filter** bundle location in the following format: *https://[Director IP]:4443/c/packages/iofilter*

Example
https://10.1.1.1:4443/c/packages/iofilter/VMW-esx-7.0.0-NAK-nbrfilter-1.0-0.0.0001.zip

- **compRes**: Replace *MOID* in the text box with the Managed Object ID (MOID) of the needed cluster. If you do not know the MOID of the cluster, see [How to Find the Managed Object ID \(MOID\) of a VMware Cluster](#).
6. Click **Invoke Method**. This will launch the installation of the **I/O Filter daemon** on each ESXi host in the selected cluster.

Managed Object Type: **ManagedObjectReference:IoFilterManager**
 Managed Object ID: **IoFilterManager**
 Method: **InstallIoFilter_Task**

ClusterIoFilterInfo InstallIoFilter_Task

Parameters

NAME	TYPE	VALUE
vibUrl (required)	string	https://10.10.10.10:4443/c/packages/VMW-esx-7.0.0-NBR-nbrfilter-1.0
compRes (required)	ManagedObjectReference:ComputeResource	<compRes type="ComputeResource">domain-c111</compRes>

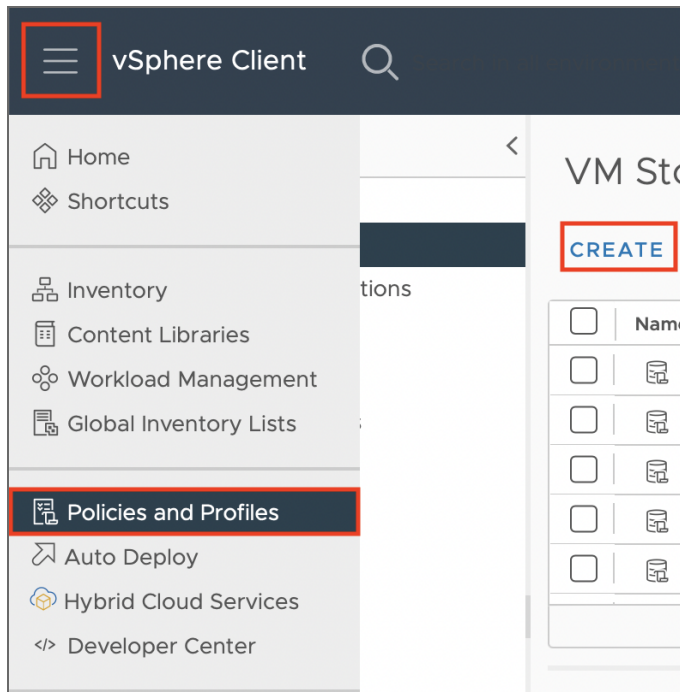
[Invoke Method](#)

Once the **I/O Filter** is successfully installed, proceed by creating and assigning a VM storage policy to the needed hosts.

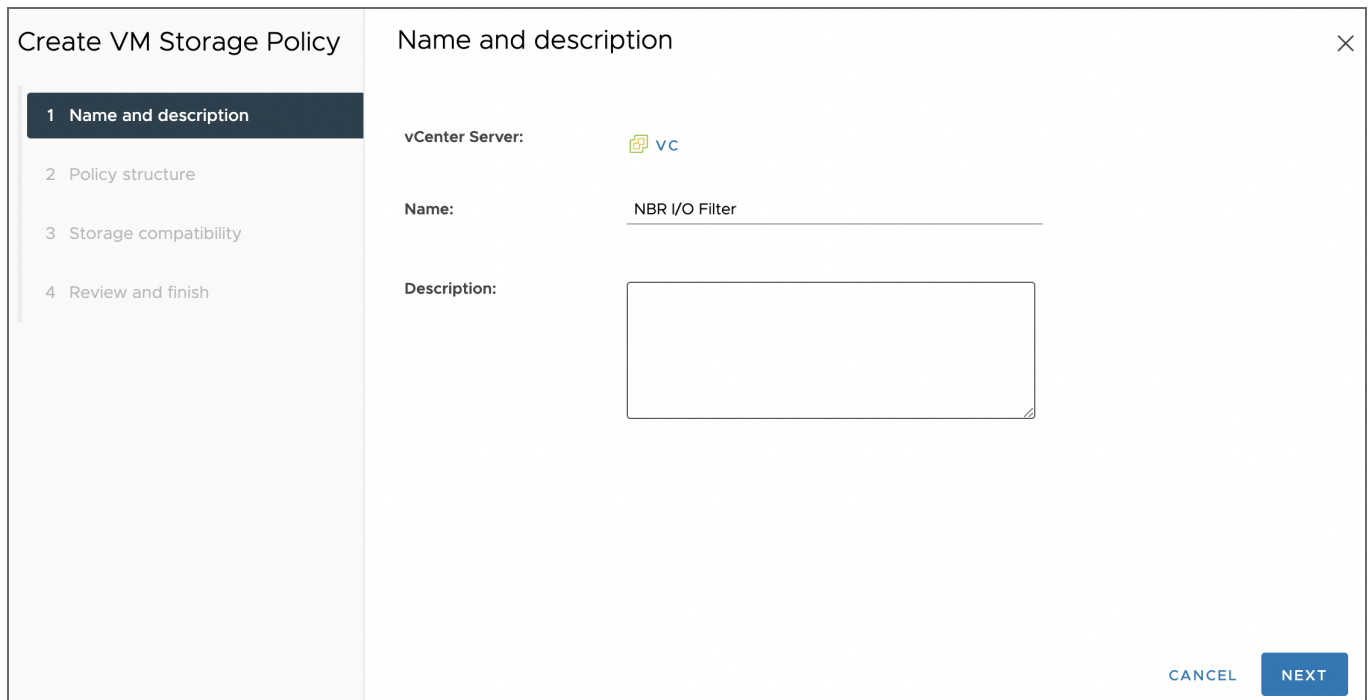
Creating a VM Storage Policy

Before creating a VM storage policy, make sure that the I/O storage providers are online for the vCenter to confirm that the **I/O Filter** is installed. To create a VM storage policy, proceed as follows:

1. Navigate to **Policies and Profiles** and click **VM storage policies**. Then, click **Create** to configure your VM storage policy.



2. In the first page of the **Create VM Storage Policy** wizard, enter a name and (optionally) description for the storage policy and click **Next**.



3. In the **Policy structure** step, select the **Enable host based rules** and **Enable rules for "vSAN" storage** (optional) options and click **Next**.

Create VM Storage Policy Policy structure

1 Name and description

2 Policy structure

3 Host based services

4 vSAN

5 Storage compatibility

6 Review and finish

Host based services

Create rules for data services provided by hosts. Available data services could include encryption, I/O control, caching, etc. Host based services will be applied in addition to any datastore specific rules.

Enable host based rules

Datastore specific rules

Create rules for a specific storage type to configure data services provided by the datastores. The rules will be applied when VMs are placed on the specific storage type.

Enable rules for "vSAN" storage

Enable rules for "vSANDirect" storage

Enable tag based placement rules

CANCEL BACK NEXT

Note

Option **Enable rules for "vSAN" storage** should be enabled if a source VM is located in vSAN cluster.

- In the **Host based services** step, click the **Replication** tab. Then, click **Custom** select the installed **I/O Filter**. For the resulting list of options, proceed with the default values or configure them if needed. Click **Next** when done.

Create VM Storage Policy Host based services

Host based services will be applied in addition to any datastore specific rules.

Encryption Storage I/O Control Caching **Replication**

Disabled

Use storage policy component <Select component>

Custom

Provider: nbrfilter

realtime transporter	
ENCODING	2
ENCRYPTION level	none
DATA replication	3
TWIZZLING acceleration	7
Dummy	0

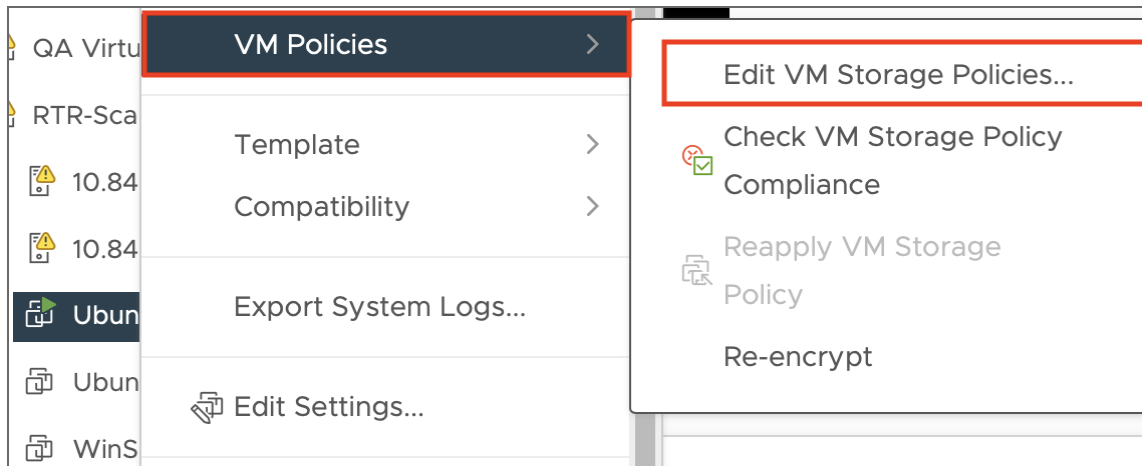
CANCEL BACK NEXT

- In the **vSAN** step, proceed with the default options or configure them if needed. Click **Next** when done.
- In the **Storage compatibility** step, review the list of datastores matching the policy. If there are no datastores matching the policy, review **Datastore specific rules** in the **Policy structure** step. Click **Next** when done.
- In the **Review and finish** step, review the VM storage policy details and click **Finish**.

Assigning a VM Storage Policy

To assign a VM storage policy to a source VM and its disks, return to the vCenter menu, proceed as follows:

1. Right-click on the needed VM, and navigate to **VM Policies > Edit VM Storage Policies**.



2. In the resulting pop-up, select the previously created VM storage policy from the **VM storage policy** drop-down menu.
3. Click **OK** to assign the VM storage policy to the VM and its disks.

Update

Notes

- Hosts may need to be manually put into maintenance mode during the **I/O Filter** update.
- The ESXi host's acceptance level must be set to **Community level**. Therefore, only clusters using baselines are supported (no clusters using a single image are supported).
To check a host's acceptance level, select the host and navigate to **Configure > System > Security Profile**. The acceptance level is displayed under **Host Image Profile Acceptance Level**.

To update an existing **I/O Filter**, do the following:

1. Add **/mob** to the appropriate vCenter URL. For example, if the vCenter is located on *10.10.10.10*, enter *https://10.10.10.10/mob* in your browser.
2. After logging in, locate the **content** link in the **Properties** table and click the link.

Managed Object Type: ManagedObjectReference:ServiceInstance		
Managed Object ID: ServiceInstance		
Properties		
NAME	TYPE	VALUE
capability	Capability	capability
content	ServiceContent	content
serverClock	dateTime	"2022-04-20T08:33:13.786106Z"
Methods		
RETURN TYPE	NAME	
dateTime	CurrentTime	
HostVMotionCompatibility[]	QueryVMotionCompatibility	
ServiceContent	RetrieveServiceContent	
ProductComponentInfo[]	RetrieveProductComponents	
Event[]	ValidateMigration	

3. Find and click on the **IoFilterManager** link.

Managed Object Type: ManagedObjectReference:IoFilterManager		
Managed Object ID: IoFilterManager		
Properties		
NAME	TYPE	VALUE
about	AboutInfo	about
accountManager	ManagedObjectReference:HostLocalAccountManager	Unset
alarmManager	ManagedObjectReference:AlarmManager	AlarmManager
authorizationManager	ManagedObjectReference:AuthorizationManager	AuthorizationManager
certificateManager	ManagedObjectReference:CertificateManager	certificateManager
clusterProfileManager	ManagedObjectReference:ClusterProfileManager	ClusterProfileManager
complianceManager	ManagedObjectReference:ProfileComplianceManager	MoComplianceManager
cryptoManager	ManagedObjectReference:CryptoManagerKmp	CryptoManager
customFieldsManager	ManagedObjectReference:CustomFieldsManager	CustomFieldsManager
customizationSpecManager	ManagedObjectReference:CustomizationSpecManager	CustomizationSpecManager
datastoreNamespaceManager	ManagedObjectReference:DatastoreNamespaceManager	DatastoreNamespaceManager
diagnosticManager	ManagedObjectReference:DiagnosticManager	DiagMgr
dvSwitchManager	ManagedObjectReference:DistributedVirtualSwitchManager	DVSManager
eventManager	ManagedObjectReference:EventManager	EventManager
extensionManager	ManagedObjectReference:ExtensionManager	ExtensionManager
failoverClusterConfigurator	ManagedObjectReference:FailoverClusterConfigurator	Unset
failoverClusterManager	ManagedObjectReference:FailoverClusterManager	Unset
fileManager	ManagedObjectReference:FileManager	FileManager
guestOperationsManager	ManagedObjectReference:GuestOperationsManager	guestOperationsManager
healthUpdateManager	ManagedObjectReference:HealthUpdateManager	HealthUpdateManager
hostProfileManager	ManagedObjectReference:HostProfileManager	HostProfileManager
hostSpecManager	ManagedObjectReference:HostSpecificationManager	HostSpecificationManager
ioFilterManager	ManagedObjectReference:IoFilterManager	IoFilterManager
ipPoolManager	ManagedObjectReference:IpPoolManager	IpPoolManager
licenseManager	ManagedObjectReference:LicenseManager	LicenseManager
localizationManager	ManagedObjectReference:LocalizationManager	LocalizationManager
overheadMemoryManager	ManagedObjectReference:OverheadMemoryManager	OverheadMemoryManager
ovfManager	ManagedObjectReference:OvfManager	OvfManager

4. On the resulting page, click the **UpgradeIoFilter_Task** link in the **Methods** table.

Managed Object Type: ManagedObjectReference:IoFilterManager		
Managed Object ID: IoFilterManager		
Properties		
NAME	TYPE	VALUE
Methods		
RETURN TYPE	NAME	
ClusterIoFilterInfo	InstallIoFilter_Task	
VirtualDiskId[]	QueryDisksUsingFilter	
ClusterIoFilterInfo[]	QueryIoFilterInfo	
IoFilterQueryIssueResult	QueryIoFilterIssues	
void	ResolveInstallationErrorsOnCluster_Task	
void	ResolveInstallationErrorsOnHost_Task	
void	UninstallIoFilter_Task	
ClusterIoFilterInfo	UpgradeIoFilter_Task	

5. On the resulting page, configure the necessary parameters for the installed **I/O Filter** and click **Invoke Method**.

Managed Object Type: **ManagedObjectReference:IoFilterManager**
Managed Object ID: **IoFilterManager**
Method: **UpgradeIoFilter_Task**

ClusterIoFilterInfo UpgradeIoFilter_Task

Parameters

NAME	TYPE	VALUE
filterId (required)	string	NBR_bootbank_nbrfilter_10.9.0.73464-1OEM.700.1.0.15843807
compRes (required)	ManagedObjectReference:ComputeResource	<compRes type="ComputeResource">domain-c111</compRes>
vibUrl (required)	string	https://10.10.10.10/c/packages/VMW-esx-7.0.0-NBR-nbrfilter-1.C

[Invoke Method](#)

Notes

- If you do not know the **filterId**, navigate to **IoFilterManager** page as described above and click **QueryIoFilterInfo**. In the resulting pop-up, replace *MOID* with the MOID of a cluster.
- If you do not know the MOID of a cluster, see [How to Find the Managed Object ID \(MOID\) of a VMware Cluster](#).

Removal

Before removing an installed **I/O Filter**, make sure that you have:

- Changed the VM storage policy for each VM configured in the **Installation** section to a different policy
- Put the needed hosts into maintenance mode (if necessary)

Note

If a VM snapshot has been created with a configured I/O Filter VM storage policy, you will need to delete the snapshot to be able to change the assigned storage policy.

To remove an installed **I/O Filter** from a VMware vSphere cluster, do the following:

1. Add */mob* to the appropriate vCenter URL. For example, if the vCenter is located on *10.10.10.10*, enter *https://10.10.10.10/mob* in your browser.
2. After logging in, locate the **content** link in the **Properties** table and click the link.

Managed Object Type: ManagedObjectReference:ServiceInstance		
Managed Object ID: ServiceInstance		
Properties		
NAME	TYPE	VALUE
capability	Capability	capability
content	ServiceContent	content
serverClock	dateTime	"2022-04-20T08:33:13.786106Z"
Methods		
RETURN TYPE	NAME	
dateTime	CurrentTime	
HostVMotionCompatibility[]	QueryVMotionCompatibility	
ServiceContent	RetrieveServiceContent	
ProductComponentInfo[]	RetrieveProductComponents	
Event[]	ValidateMigration	

3. Find and click on the **IoFilterManager** link.

Managed Object Type: ManagedObjectReference:IoFilterManager		
Managed Object ID: IoFilterManager		
Properties		
NAME	TYPE	VALUE
about	AboutInfo	about
accountManager	ManagedObjectReference:HostLocalAccountManager	Unset
alarmManager	ManagedObjectReference:AlarmManager	AlarmManager
authorizationManager	ManagedObjectReference:AuthorizationManager	AuthorizationManager
certificateManager	ManagedObjectReference:CertificateManager	certificateManager
clusterProfileManager	ManagedObjectReference:ClusterProfileManager	ClusterProfileManager
complianceManager	ManagedObjectReference:ProfileComplianceManager	MoComplianceManager
cryptoManager	ManagedObjectReference:CryptoManagerKmp	CryptoManager
customFieldsManager	ManagedObjectReference:CustomFieldsManager	CustomFieldsManager
customizationSpecManager	ManagedObjectReference:CustomizationSpecManager	CustomizationSpecManager
datastoreNamespaceManager	ManagedObjectReference:DatastoreNamespaceManager	DatastoreNamespaceManager
diagnosticManager	ManagedObjectReference:DiagnosticManager	DiagMgr
dvSwitchManager	ManagedObjectReference:DistributedVirtualSwitchManager	DVSManager
eventManager	ManagedObjectReference:EventManager	EventManager
extensionManager	ManagedObjectReference:ExtensionManager	ExtensionManager
failoverClusterConfigurator	ManagedObjectReference:FailoverClusterConfigurator	Unset
failoverClusterManager	ManagedObjectReference:FailoverClusterManager	Unset
fileManager	ManagedObjectReference:FileManager	FileManager
guestOperationsManager	ManagedObjectReference:GuestOperationsManager	guestOperationsManager
healthUpdateManager	ManagedObjectReference:HealthUpdateManager	HealthUpdateManager
hostProfileManager	ManagedObjectReference:HostProfileManager	HostProfileManager
hostSpecManager	ManagedObjectReference:HostSpecificationManager	HostSpecificationManager
ioFilterManager	ManagedObjectReference:IoFilterManager	IoFilterManager
ipPoolManager	ManagedObjectReference:IpPoolManager	IpPoolManager
licenseManager	ManagedObjectReference:LicenseManager	LicenseManager
localizationManager	ManagedObjectReference:LocalizationManager	LocalizationManager
overheadMemoryManager	ManagedObjectReference:OverheadMemoryManager	OverheadMemoryManager
ovfManager	ManagedObjectReference:OvfManager	OvfManager

4. On the resulting page, click the **UninstallIoFilter_Task** link in the **Methods** table.

Managed Object Type: ManagedObjectReference:IoFilterManager		
Managed Object ID: IoFilterManager		
Properties		
NAME	TYPE	VALUE
Methods		
RETURN TYPE	NAME	
ClusterIoFilterInfo	InstallIoFilter_Task	
VirtualDiskId[]	QueryDisksUsingFilter	
ClusterIoFilterInfo[]	QueryIoFilterInfo	
IoFilterQueryIssueResult	QueryIoFilterIssues	
void	ResolveInstallationErrorsOnCluster_Task	
void	ResolveInstallationErrorsOnHost_Task	
void	UninstallIoFilter_Task	
ClusterIoFilterInfo	UpgradeIoFilter_Task	

5. On the resulting page, configure the necessary parameters for the installed **I/O Filter** and click **Invoke Method**.

Managed Object Type: **ManagedObjectReference:IoFilterManager**
Managed Object ID: **IoFilterManager**
Method: **UninstallIoFilter_Task**

void UninstallIoFilter_Task

Parameters

NAME	TYPE	VALUE
filterId (required)	string	NBR_bootbank_nrfilter_10.9.0.73464-1OEM.700.1.0.15843807
compRes (required)	ManagedObjectReference:ComputeResource	<compRes type="ComputeResource">domain-c111</compRes>

[Invoke Method](#)

Notes

If you do not know the **filterId**, navigate to **IoFilterManager** page as described above and click **QueryIoFilterInfo**. In the resulting pop-up, replace *MOID* with the MOID of a cluster. If you do not know the MOID of a cluster, see [How to Find the Managed Object ID \(MOID\) of a VMware Cluster](#).

Installing the Journal Service

In order to create and run a real-time replication job for VMware, target ESXi hosts must contain a [VMware Virtual Appliance](#) with the **Journal Service** installed. See the sections below for more details.

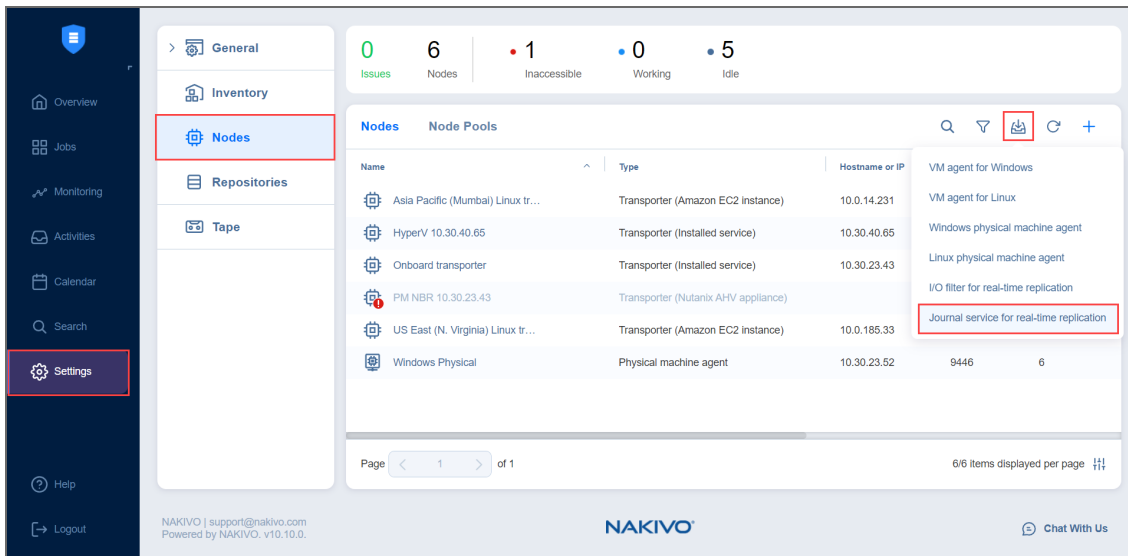
Journal Service

The **Journal Service** is a software module that installs into the target transporter and manages the **I/O Journal** created per VM disk and which is a set of records of I/O operations that keeps reference recovery points (snapshots of data changes made to a source VM created at the moment the replication job is stopped) of a replica VM and can be used for failover. The size and history limits of the **I/O Journal** can be configured in the **Retention** step of the Real-Time Replication (Beta) Job Wizard for VMware.

Journal Extent is an internal logical part of the **I/O Journal** where reference recovery points of a replica VM are kept. One **Journal Extent** is created for every RTR replication job run and contains one or more **Frames**, which are logical components containing up to 65,536 data blocks, each block containing 4096 bytes of data.

Installation

You can download the **Journal Service** installer from the NAKIVO Backup & Replication UI. To do this, go to **Settings > Nodes**, click the **Download** button, and then click **Journal service for real-time replication**.



Copy the installer file to the virtual appliance deployed on the needed ESXi host(s). Then, run the following command to proceed with the installation, replacing *[version]* with the version of your installer:

```
NAKIVO_Journal_Service_Installer_[version].sh --eula-accept
```

To confirm installation success, run the following command:

```
systemctl status nkj-journalsvc
```

Installation result is logged in */tmp/nkj-journalsvc-install.log*.

Removal

To remove an installed **Journal Service** from a virtual appliance, run the following command:

```
/opt/nakivo/journal-service/uninstall
```

Managing Nodes

Refer to the following topics:

- “Editing Nodes” below
- “Downloading Transporter Credentials” on page 518
- “Enabling Direct Connect” on page 519
- “Managing Node Pools” on page 520
- “Refreshing Node Details” on page 521
- “Removing (Deleting) Nodes” on page 522
- “Using a VM Agent” on page 523

Editing Nodes

To modify the settings of an existing node, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
2. Go to the **Nodes** tab and hover over the node you would like to edit.
3. On the right side, click the ellipsis **Manage** button and then click **Edit**.

The screenshot displays the 'Nodes' management interface. On the left, a sidebar contains navigation options: General, Inventory (1), Nodes (2), Repositories, and Tape. The main area shows a summary of node status: 394 Issues, 6 Nodes, 2 Inaccessible, 0 Working, and 4 Idle. Below this is a table of nodes with columns for Name, Type, Hostname or IP, Port, Max load, Current load, Version, and Status. The 'aws' node is highlighted in blue and has an ellipsis menu icon to its right. A context menu is open over this node, showing options: Refresh, Download Key, Edit (highlighted with a red box), and Remove. The bottom of the interface shows pagination: Page 1 of 1, and 6/6 items displayed per page.

Name	Type	Hostname or IP	Port	Max load	Current load	Version	Status
aws	Transporter (Amazon	35.159.46.1	9446	6	0	10.7.0.e682	Inaccessible
Windows...	Physical machine age	10.30.23.52	9446	6	0	10.8.0.p695	Good
Onboard ...	Transporter (Installed	10.30.23.14	9446	6	0	10.8.0.r695	Good
HyperV	Transporter (Installed	10.30.40.65	9446	6	0	10.7.0.r663	Inaccessible
Asia Paci...	Transporter (Amazon	10.0.37.138	9446	6	0	10.8.0.e695	Good
10.30.23....	Transporter (Nutanix A	10.30.24.29	9446	6	0	10.8.0.r695	Good

4. A dialog opens for editing the node's settings. Edit the settings as required:
 - **Hostname or IP:** Here you can edit the IP address or hostname of the machine on which the node is installed. Not applicable to Nutanix AHV Appliances, VMware vSphere appliances, or Amazon EC2 instances.

- In the *Networking* section:
 - If editing a Nutanix AHV Appliance, VMware vSphere appliance, or Amazon EC2 instance, you can edit the following options:
 - **OS username:** Enter the username used to access the virtual machine.
 - **OS password:** Enter the password for the username entered previously (not applicable to EC2 instances).
 - **SSH port:** Enter the SSH port if needed.
 - If editing other node types:
 - **Node port:** Enter a communication port for your node.
 - **Data transfer ports:** Enter a port range that will be used by your node for actual data transfer.
- In the *Settings* section:
 - **Node name:** Edit the name of your node.
 - **Maximum load:** Edit the number of tasks concurrently processed by the node.
 - **Additional load for recovery jobs:** If selected, the specified amount of tasks will be added to the set maximum node load to be used for recovery jobs exclusively. This allows for running the specified amount of concurrent recovery jobs along with other types of jobs without the need to wait for their completion.
 - **Enable Direct Connect for this node:** When this option is enabled, you can access remote resources via a single port connection without establishing a VPN connection. The following conditions must be met at the remote infrastructure to enable this feature:
 - A NAKIVO Transporter or Agent must be installed.
 - A master password must be set for security reasons. A pre-shared key is generated based on the entered master password.
 - The node port on the local machine must be exposed to external availability via the Internet.
 - **Enable debug logging for this node:** Enable/disable debug level logging for the node. Having this option enabled on a permanent basis is not recommended.
 - **Transporter capabilities:** Click the **settings** button next to this option to modify the additional capabilities of the selected Transporter. Click **Apply** to save your changes.

Notes

- **Backup repository management** cannot be disabled if the **Transporter** is assigned to a repository.
- **VMware vSphere support** cannot be disabled if the **Transporter** is selected in a VMware backup, replication, or recovery job.

5. Click **Apply** to save your changes.

Edit: Onboard transporter

Hostname or IP: 10.30.23.44 ⓘ

Networking

Node port: 9446 ⓘ

Data transfer ports: 9448-10000 ⓘ

Settings

Node name: Onboard transporter

Maximum load: 6 concurrent tasks ⓘ

Additional load for recovery jobs: 2 concurrent tasks ⓘ

Enable Direct Connect for this node ⓘ

Enable debug logging for this node ⓘ

Disable debug logging on ⓘ

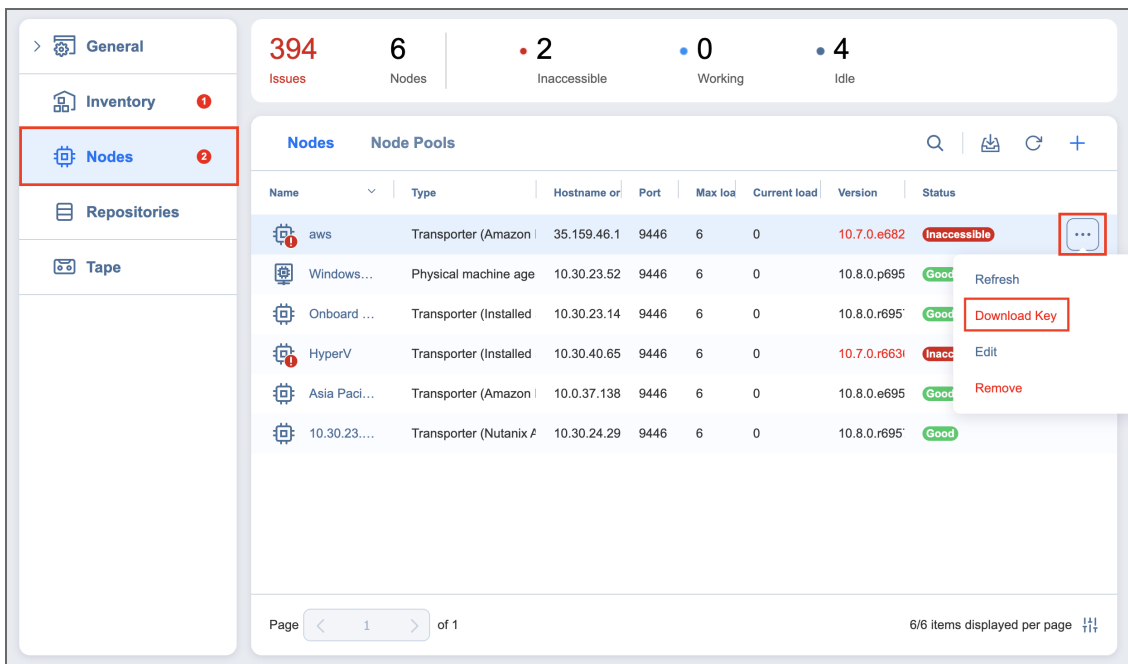
Transporter capabilities: Settings

Security

Master password: **Connect**

Downloading Transporter Credentials

If you would like to import an Amazon EC2, Nutanix AHV, or VMware **Transporter** into another installation of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you need to download the **Transporter's** credentials. To obtain the credentials, hover over the desired **Transporter** and click the ellipsis **Manage** button on the right side. In the dialog box, click **Download Key**. This begins the download of a ZIP file containing the **Transporter's** credentials.



Enabling Direct Connect

To start using this feature, take the following steps:

1. Download NAKIVO Backup & Replication installer or a VA with **Transporter**.
2. [Install Transporter](#) at the remote environment and set the master password during the installation. Alternatively, deploy [Transporter VA](#) at the remote environment. The master password for the VA can be set after the deployment.
3. If you didn't set up the master password during the installer setup or if you have deployed [Transporter VA](#), you need to generate a pre-shared key. This can be done at any time after the installation. Execute the following command in **Transporter** installation folder:
bhsvc -b "password"
4. [Restart the Transporter service](#) after generating the password to apply the change.
5. Expose the Transporter port on the local machine to be externally available via the Internet.
6. Add the remote transporter to NAKIVO Backup & Replication by entering the **Transporter** details.
7. Select **Enable Direct Connect for this transporter**.
8. Enter master password.
9. Click **Connect**.
10. View Transporter certificate information.
11. Accept received certificate.
12. Confirm adding the Transporter.

Hostname or IP: ?

Networking

Transporter port: ?

Data transfer ports: ?

Settings

Transporter name:

Maximum load: concurrent tasks ?

Additional load for recovery jobs: concurrent tasks ?

Enable Direct Connect for this transporter (requires master password) ?

Enable debug logging for this transporter ?

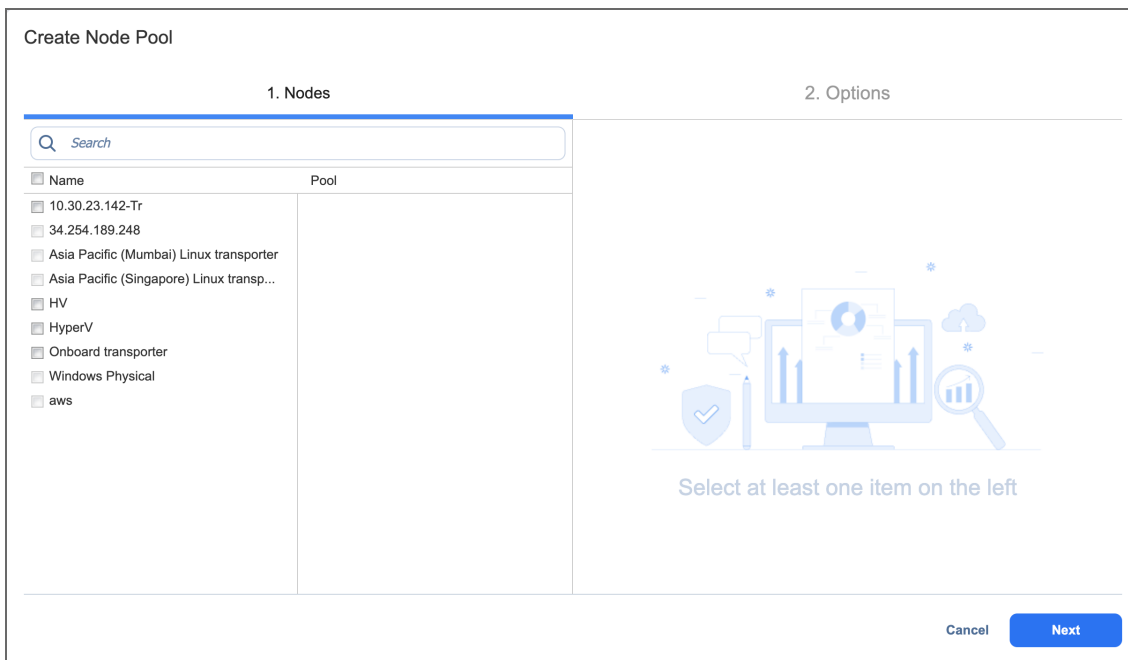
Security

Master password: ?

Managing Node Pools

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to group nodes into pools to optimize backup, replication, and recovery jobs. To create a node pool, do the following :

1. Navigate to **Settings**.
2. Click the **Nodes** tab.
3. Open the **Node Pools** tab, then click the plus **Add** button.
4. Complete the **Create Node Pool** wizard and click **Finish**.



A node pool can be selected in the *Data Transfer* section on the **Options** page of backup, replication, and recovery jobs. A node can be included in only one pool. To move a node from one pool to another, you need to remove it from the original pool first.

Refreshing Node Details

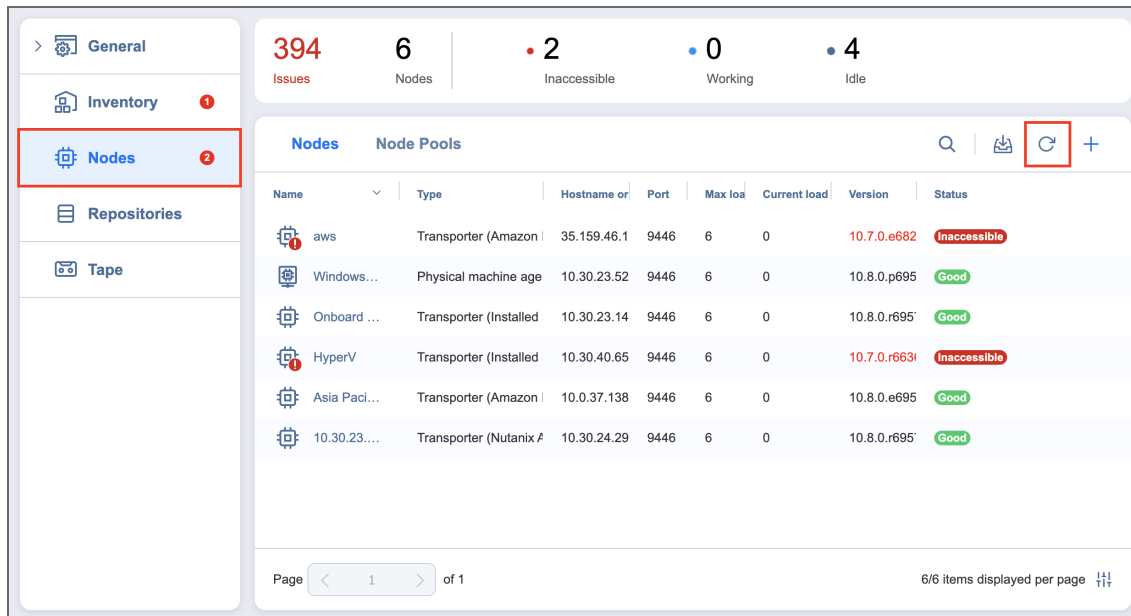
By default, NAKIVO Backup & Replication refreshes the information about **Transporters** every hour. During the refreshing process, the product collects all the required information about all transporters. Only one **Transporter** can be refreshed at a time. If you have more than one **Transporter**, all others will remain in the queue until they are able to be refreshed.

- [Manually Refreshing All Nodes](#)
- [Manually Refreshing a Single Node](#)

Manually Refreshing All Nodes

To refresh all nodes, follow the steps below:

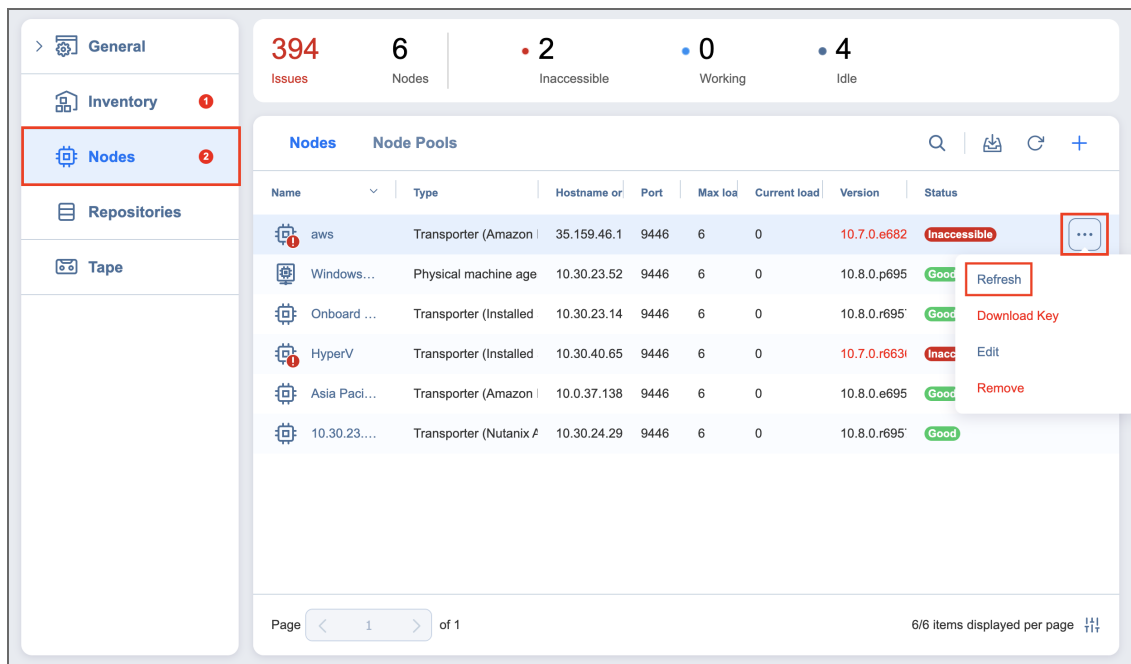
1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product and go to the **Nodes** tab.
2. Click the **Refresh** button above the **Nodes** table.



Manually Refreshing a Single Node

To refresh a single node, follow the steps below:

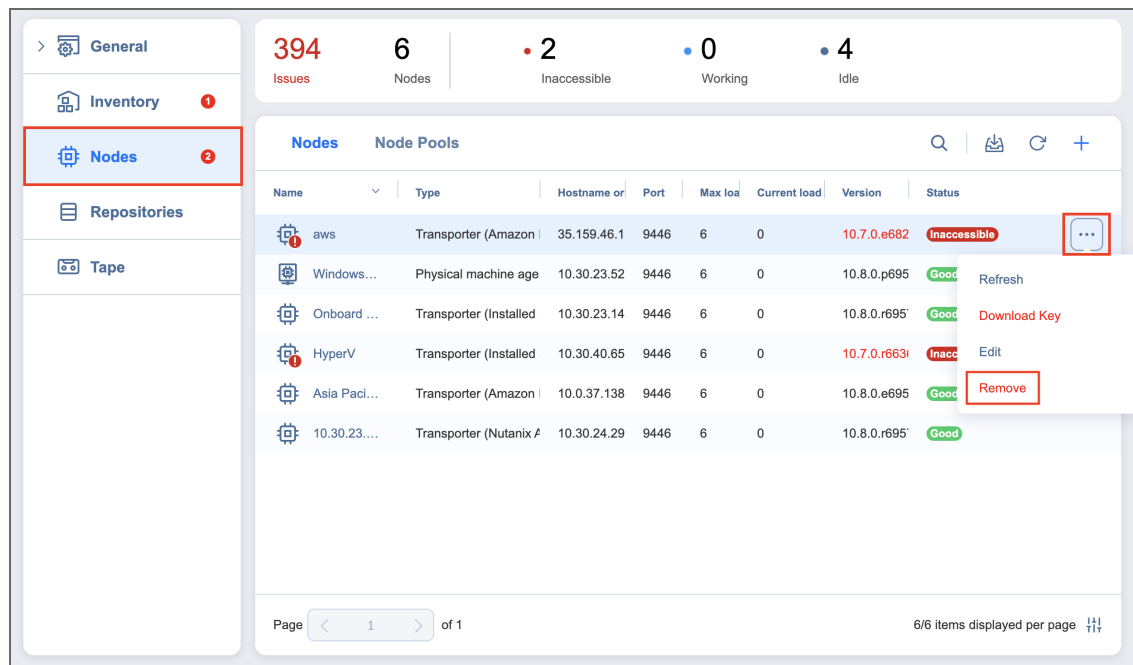
1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
2. Go to the **Nodes** tab.
3. Hover over the node you would like to refresh and click the ellipsis **Manage** button.
4. Click **Refresh**.



Removing (Deleting) Nodes

To remove a Transporter from NAKIVO Backup & Replication, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
2. Go to the **Nodes** tab.
3. Hover over the node you would like to remove.
4. On the right side, click the ellipsis **Manage** button and then click **Remove**.



Note

The following nodes cannot be removed:

- The Onboard **Transporter** (which is installed with the **“Director”** on page 110 by default)
- Nodes manually assigned to a job
- **Transporters** assigned to backup repositories

Using a VM Agent

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can install a permanent virtual machine agent (VMA) rather than injecting a temporary agent for every job run. This agent simplifies OS quiescing and file-level recovery to the source virtual machine by eliminating the need to provide credentials for the VM’s guest OS.

- The VM agent is used for OS quiescing if the relevant job option is enabled and only for Hyper-V. For other hypervisors, VMA is used only for file recovery.
- The permanent virtual machine agent (VMA) feature or a temporary agent can be used for file system indexing (supported for **VMware vSphere** VM backup jobs).

For information on VMA system requirements, see **“Feature Requirements”** on page 167. For information on installing a VMA, see **“Installing a VM Agent”** on page 502.

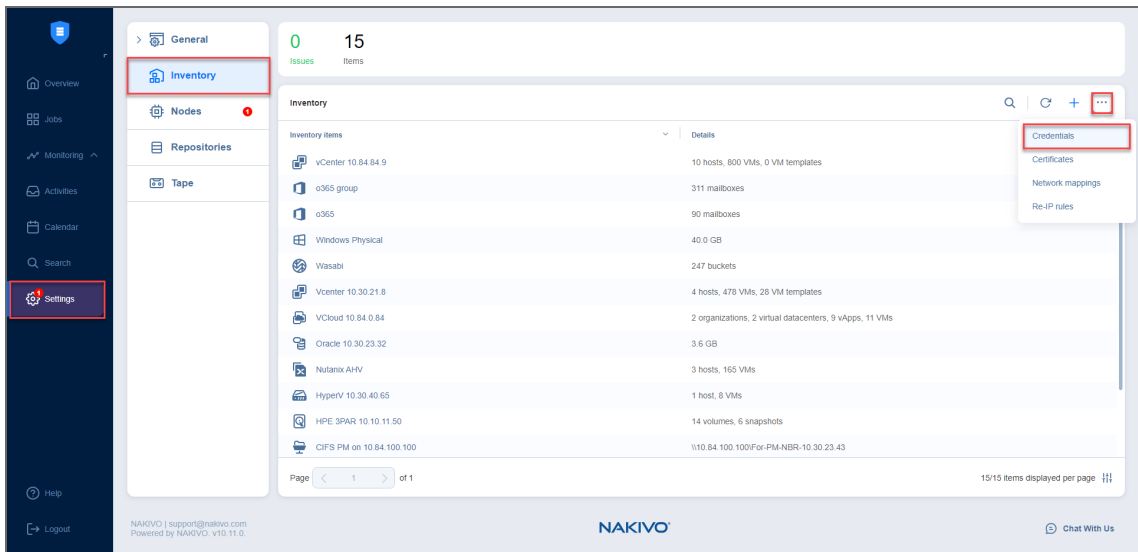
After installing a VM agent inside a VM and adding it to the **Nodes** tab, you may proceed with configuring it for use in jobs. See the sections below:

- [Setting Default Credentials](#)
- [Enabling VM Agents](#)
- [How a VM Agent Works](#)

Setting Default Credentials

To configure a default master password for VM agents, do the following:

1. Go to **Settings > Inventory > Manage > Credentials**.



2. Click **Add Credentials**.
3. In the **Type** drop-down list, select **Master password**.
4. Enter a **Name** and **Password**.

5. Optionally, add a **Description**.

Add Credentials [Close]

Type: Master password [v]

Name: VMkey

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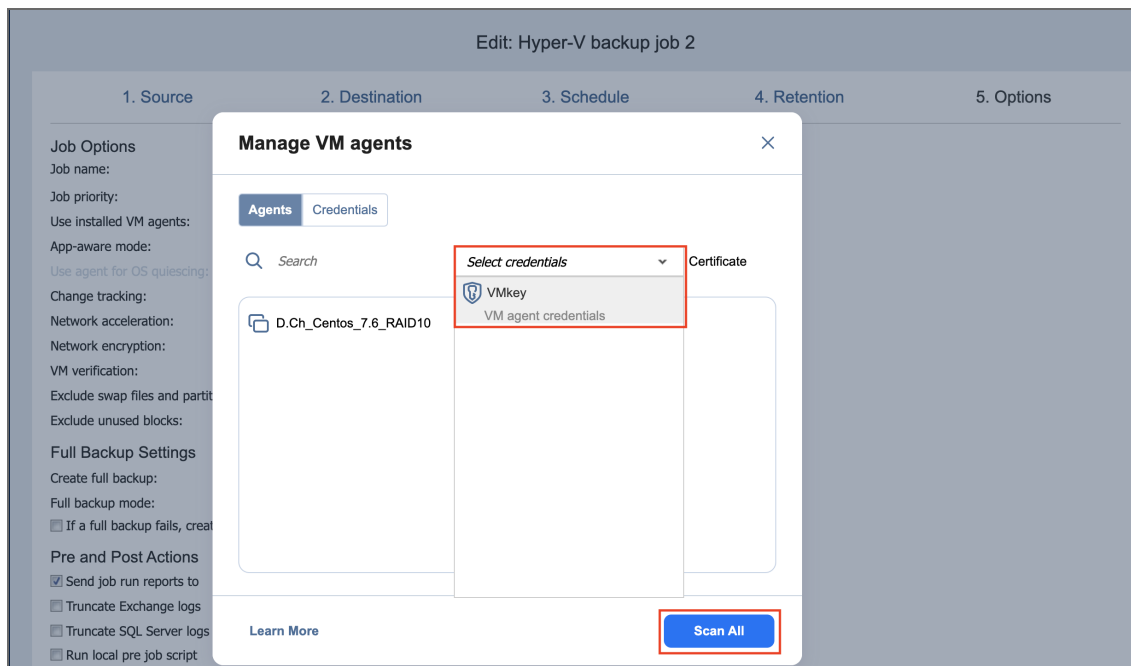
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Enabling VM Agents

To enable your installed VM agents (VMAs) to be used in jobs, proceed as follows:

1. Click on a job containing the VM in which you have installed a permanent agent.
2. Go to **Manage > Edit > Options**.
3. Make sure that **Use installed VM** agents is enabled. Click **settings**.
4. Click **Scan All** to scan every VM in the job for a VM agent.
5. Once the scan is complete, select the master password you wish to use for the discovered VM agents from the **Select credentials** drop-down list.



6. In the **Certificate** column, click **Verify** to verify the validity of a VMA's certificate.
7. **Save** the updated job options.

Repeat this process for all jobs for which you want to enable the use of VMAs.

Note

- If a VM agent is installed on the recovery server when creating or editing a [File Recovery job](#), the installed agent will automatically be chosen to perform recovery operations.
- If NAKIVO Backup & Replication cannot find installed VM agents or is prevented from doing so (such as by a firewall), the application will scan the VMs until a 2-minute timeout. VMs are scanned in parallel.
- If there is no VM agent at the target VM, you may proceed by providing OS credentials to the target machine.

How a VM Agent Works

When supported VM actions are prompted, the **Director** checks for VM agent availability on the respective VM as follows:

1. If an installed VMA is found in the VM, the **Director** uses this VMA to perform the specified action(s).
2. If an installed VMA is not found in the VM, the **Director** injects a temporary agent or uses native tools (for example, VMware Tools) to perform the specified action(s). You must then enter VM credentials to proceed.
3. If the usage of an installed VMA is disabled in job options, the **Director** uses the injection approach or native tools to proceed.

Backup Repositories

A **Backup Repository** is one of the key components of NAKIVO Backup & Replication and is a regular folder where the product stores backups and backup metadata. For more detailed information, refer to [“Backup Repository” on page 116](#).

This section covers repository-related topics such as creation, management, etc. of **Backup Repositories** and contains the following articles:

- [“Adding Existing Backup Repositories” on page 528](#)
- [“Creating Backup Repositories” on page 531](#)
- [“Managing Backup Repositories” on page 581](#)
- [“Viewing Backup Repository Details” on page 602](#)

Adding Existing Backup Repositories

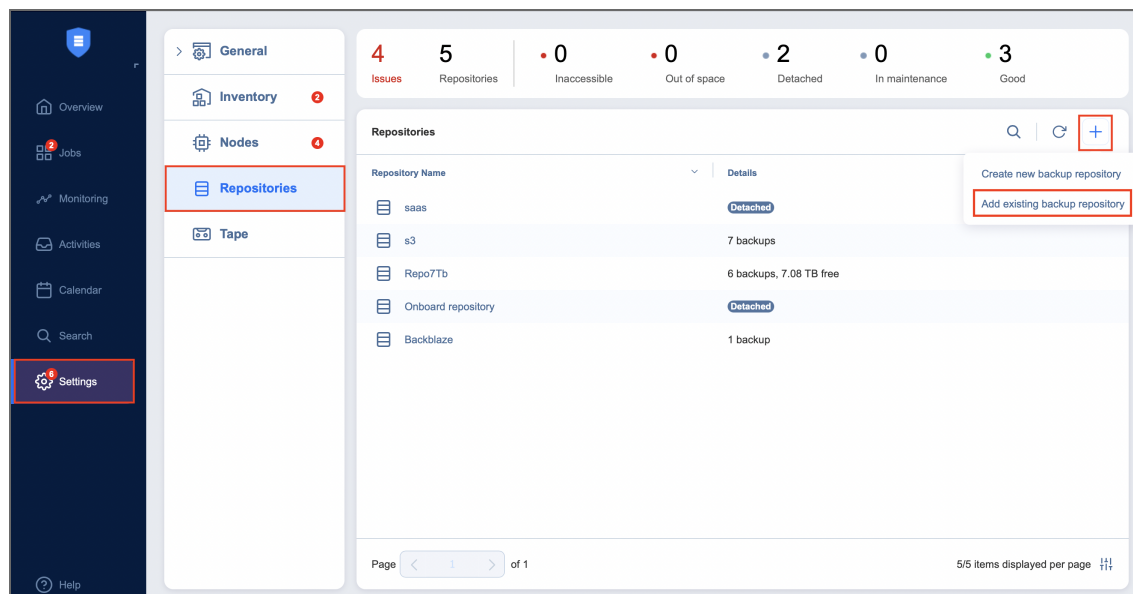
NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to add an existing **Backup Repository** to a new copy of the product.

Note

During the import process, NAKIVO Backup & Replication searches for the *NakivoBackup* folder in the specified location. If your **Backup Repository** is located in *E:\backup\NakivoBackup*, you should specify the following path: *E:\backup*

To import an existing **Backup Repository**, do the following:

1. In the main menu, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and click **+**.
3. Click **Add existing backup repository** in the dialog box that opens.



4. The **Add Existing Backup Repository** wizard opens. On the **Type** page of the wizard, select one of the following **Backup Repository** types:
 - **Local Folder**
 - **CIFS Share**
 - **NFS Share**
 - **Cloud & S3-Compatible Storage**
 - **Deduplication Appliance**
5. When you select **Cloud**, the **Vendor** page opens. Select the cloud storage vendor from the following options:

- Amazon S3
 - Microsoft Azure
 - Wasabi
 - Backblaze
 - Amazon EC2
 - Generic S3-compatible storage
6. When you select **Deduplication Appliance**, the **Device** page opens. Select the device from the following options:
- Dell EMC Data Domain Boost
 - HPE StoreOnce Catalyst
 - NEC HYDRAsstor
7. On the **Name & Location** page of the wizard, fill out all the necessary fields as described in the article for the corresponding **Backup Repository** type.
8. On the **Options** page of the wizard, depending on the repository type, the following options can be available for configuration:
- **Encryption password:** If the **Backup Repository** is encrypted, type in the encryption password.
 - **Enable automatic repository self-healing:** Leave this option selected to automatically trigger repository self-healing in case the product detects symptoms of problems in the backup infrastructure (such as incorrect timestamps on metadata and data files). You can deselect this option and [run self-healing manually](#).
 - **Run repository self-healing on schedule:** You can select this checkbox to additionally run repository self-healing based on a schedule. You can configure the schedule by clicking the **schedule** link when the option is selected. The default schedule is set to run every day at 11 AM.
 - **Run full data verification on schedule:** When this option is selected, the product runs full verification of all data available in the **Backup Repository** based on the specified schedule. The product reads each block of data to ensure that it is identical to the data block that was read on the source VM during the backup process. This way the product verifies each recovery point in the **Backup Repository**.
Backup verification is a time-consuming process and consumes CPU of the **Transporter** assigned to the **Backup Repository**. It is recommended to schedule backup verification during non-working hours.
 - **Reclaim unused space on schedule:** You can select this option to run the **Backup Repository** [space reclaim](#) process based on a schedule. You can configure the schedule by clicking the **schedule** link when the option is selected. The default schedule is set to run every Saturday at 12 PM.

- **Enforce explicit file system sync:** When this option is selected, explicit sync with the file system is enforced during all backup operations to this repository. This setting is considered more reliable but may lead to lower performance on some storage devices.
- **Detach this repository on schedule:** Select this option if you want to [detach](#) and then [reattach](#) the **Backup Repository** based on a schedule. Detaching a **Backup Repository** saves its data and metadata in a consistent state and stops the product interaction with the **Backup Repository** (so that it can be copied or moved). You can use this feature, for example, for the disk-to-disk-to-tape (D2D2T) data protection approach: backups are stored on a disk for fast operational recovery and copied to a tape (while the repository is detached) for archiving and long-term storage.
- **Delete and re-create the repository on attach:** When this option is selected, all data in the **Backup Repository** is erased prior to attaching it to the product. As a result, jobs that write to this **Backup Repository** create full VM backups. You can use this option, for example, to create full daily, weekly, or monthly VM backups and write them to tape or removable media.

9. Click **Finish**. The **Backup Repository** is imported to the list.

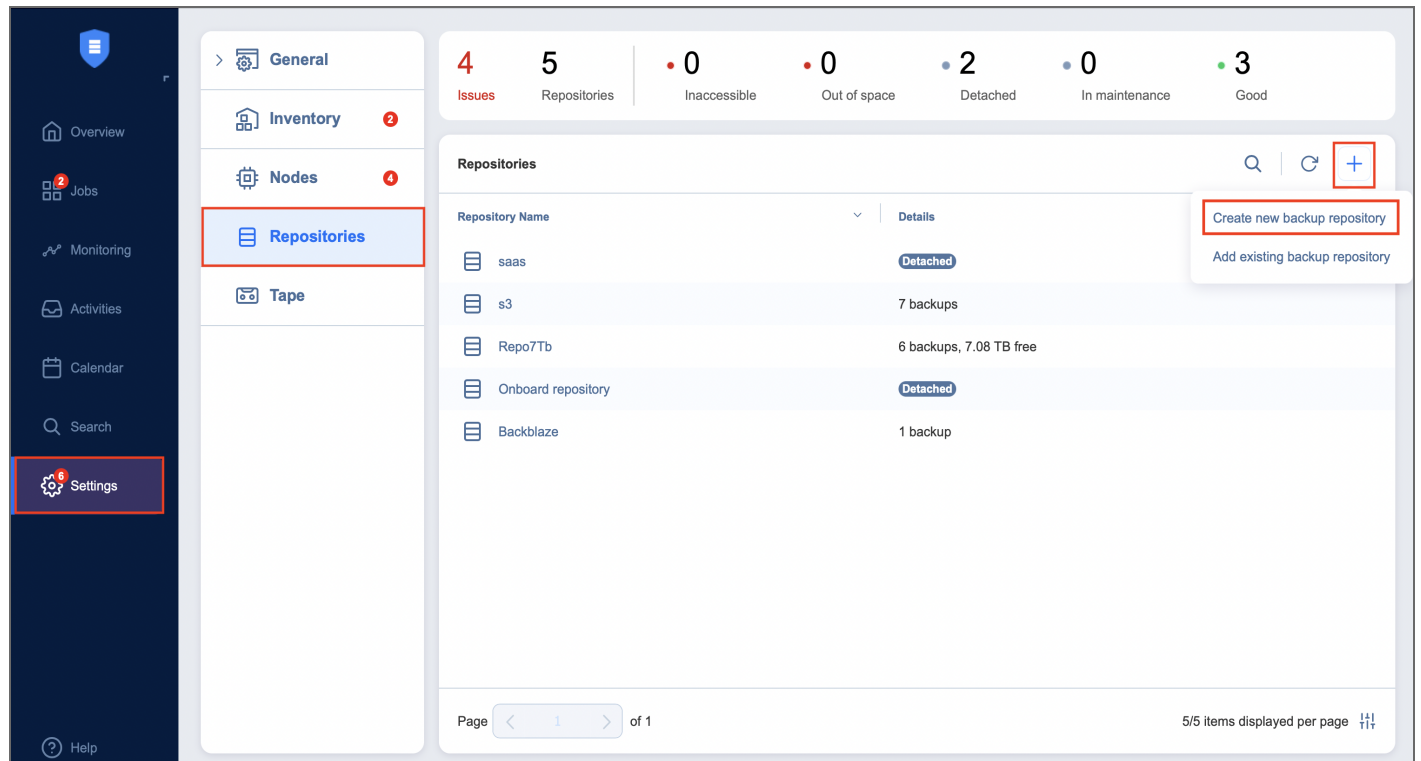
Creating Backup Repositories

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to create additional **Backup Repositories** for storing backups. You can use a local folder, NFS share, CIFS share, public cloud, or deduplication appliance as a **Backup Repository** location. To create a new **Backup Repository**, follow the steps below.

Important

Do not create **Backup Repositories** inside NAKIVO Backup & Replication installation folders. The data inside **Director** and **Transporter** folders may be lost after a solution update.

1. In NAKIVO Backup & Replication, navigate to **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and click **+**.
3. Click **Create new backup repository**.



Choose one of the locations for storing your backups by completing the **Create Backup Repository** wizard as described in the sections below:

- [“Local Backup Repository” on page 533](#)
- [“Backup Repository on CIFS Share” on page 538](#)
- [“Backup Repository on NFS Share” on page 543](#)
- [“Backup Repository in Amazon EC2” on page 548](#)
- [“Backup Repository in Amazon S3” on page 554](#)
- [“Backup Repository in Microsoft Azure Blob Storage” on page 562](#)

- [“Backup Repository in Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage”](#) on page 565
- [“Backup Repository in Wasabi Hot Cloud Storage”](#) on page 569
- [“Backup Repository on Deduplication Appliance”](#) on page 573

Local Backup Repository

To create a **Backup Repository** locally on the machine on which the assigned **Transporter** is installed, choose a local folder. Proceed as described in the following sections:

- [Create Backup Repository: Type](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Name and Location](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Options](#)

Create Backup Repository: Type

On the **Type** page of the **Create Backup Repository** wizard, select **Local Folder** and click **Next** to move to the next page of the wizard.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Backup Repository' wizard at the '1. Type' step. The 'Local Folder' option is selected and highlighted with a red box. The description for 'Local Folder' is 'Directly attached storage or locally mounted share on an assigned transporter.' Other options include 'CIFS Share', 'NFS Share', 'Cloud & S3-Compatible Storage', 'SaaS', and 'Deduplication Appliance'. The 'Next' button is visible at the bottom right.

Create Backup Repository: Name and Location

On the **Name & Location** page of the wizard, do the following:

1. Enter the name of the **Backup Repository** in the **Name** box.
2. Select the **Transporter** from the **Assigned transporter** drop-down list.
3. Enter the path to the local **Backup Repository** folder on the machine on which the assigned **Transporter** is installed.

Example

`/opt/nakivo/repository`

4. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Important

Before choosing this location, make sure that you have read and write permissions for the folder that will be used as a repository.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Backup Repository' wizard with three steps: 1. Type, 2. Name & Location (current), and 3. Options. The 'Name & Location' step contains the following fields:

- Name: Repo
- Assigned transporter: Onboard transporter
- Path to the local folder: /opt/nakivo/repo

At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Create Backup Repository: Options

On the **Options** page, do the following:

1. Set up *Storage Savings & Encryption* options:

- **Data size reduction:** If this option is enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication enables the use of data size reduction for this repository to save disk space. Note that this may put additional load on the CPU. Disabling data size reduction is required if the target is a deduplication storage appliance. Click settings to configure the settings. A popup window appears. Set the following:
 - **Compression:** Select a compression level that will be used to reduce the data size in the **Backup Repository**. Note that higher compression levels consume considerably more CPU and may slow down VM backup speed. The following options are available:
 - **Disabled:** The data in the **Backup Repository** will not be compressed.
 - **Fast:** Lowest compression level.
 - **Medium:** Medium compression level.
 - **Best:** Maximum compression level.

Note

This option cannot be configured after creating the **Backup Repository**.

- **Store backups in separate files:** Select this option to enable this backup repository to store data of every machine in separate backup files. Enabling this option is highly recommended to ensure higher reliability and performance. Leave this option unchecked if you wish to enable deduplication on a given backup repository.
- **Deduplication:** Select this option to enable the backup deduplication method to reduce the backup size by excluding duplicate data blocks from the backup.

Note

This option is not available if the Store backups in separate files checkbox has been selected.

- **Encryption:** This option is available only if the **Backup Repository** is created locally on the machine on which the Assigned **Transporter** is installed, and the machine is running a Linux OS. Select **Enabled** from the drop-down list and specify an encryption password. (The password will be required for importing the **Backup Repository** into a new instance of the product.) The product will encrypt the repository destination (using `ecryptfs` for folders and `cryptsetup (crypt-md)` in LUKS mode for devices/partitions) prior to creating the **Backup Repository**.

Notes

- To avoid `ecryptfs` errors, make sure that there are no other folders and files except the NakivoBackup folder in the repository location.
- **Backup Repository** encryption can significantly influence backup speed.

2. Set up *Reliability & Maintenance* options:

- **Enable automatic repository self-healing:** Leave this option selected to automatically trigger repository self-healing in case the product detects symptoms of problems in the backup infrastructure such as incorrect timestamps on metadata and data files. You can deselect this option and [run self-healing manually](#).
- **Run repository self-healing on schedule:** If required, select this checkbox to run repository self-healing on schedule. You can configure the schedule by clicking the **schedule** link when the option is selected. The default schedule is set to run every day at 11 AM. If **Stop backup and recovery to run self-healing** is selected, any jobs or recoveries which use this repository will be stopped to run scheduled self-healing. Otherwise, scheduled self-healing will be skipped in case there are running jobs or recoveries on this repository.

- **Run full data verification on schedule:** If selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will run full verification of all data available in the Backup Repository on the specified schedule. The product will read each block of data and ensure that it is identical to the data block that was read on the source VM during the backup. This way, the product will verify each recovery points in the **Backup Repository**.

If **Stop backup and recovery to run backup verification** is selected, any running jobs which use this **Backup Repository** will be stopped to run scheduled data verification. Otherwise, scheduled data verification will be skipped in case there are running jobs on this **Backup Repository**.

Note

Backup verification is a time-consuming process and consumes CPU of the **Transporter** assigned to the **Backup Repository**. It is recommended that you schedule backup verification during non-working hours.

- **Reclaim unused space on schedule:** If required, select this option to run the **Backup Repository space reclaim** process on schedule. Space reclaim will compact the data. Unused space will be reclaimed. Keep in mind that this process can be time-consuming.

Note

This option is available only if **Store backups in separate files** is not enabled.

If **Stop backup and recovery to run space reclaim** is selected, any running jobs which use this **Backup Repository** will be stopped to run scheduled space reclaiming. Otherwise, scheduled space reclaiming will be skipped in case there are running jobs on this **Backup Repository**.

Important

Do not reboot/disconnect the "null" **Transporter** and storage device while space reclaim is in progress to avoid **Backup Repository** corruption.

- **Enforce explicit file system sync:** When selected, explicit sync with the file system is enforced during all backup operations to this repository. This setting is considered more reliable but may lead to lower performance on certain storage devices. By default, the option is disabled.

4. Schedule detaching of the **Backup Repository**:

- **Detach this repository on schedule:** Select this option if you want to **detach** and then **attach** the **Backup Repository** on a schedule. Detaching a **Backup Repository** saves its data and metadata in a consistent state and then stops the product's interaction with the **Backup Repository** (so that it can be copied or moved). You can use this feature, for example, for the disk-to-disk-to-tape (D2D2T) data protection approach, in which backups are stored on a disk for fast operational recovery, and copied to a tape (while the repository is detached) for archiving and long-term storage.

- **Delete and re-create the repository on attach:** If this option is selected, all data in the **Backup Repository** will be erased prior to attaching it to the product. As a result, jobs that write to this **Backup Repository** will create full VM backups. You can use this option, for example, to create full daily, weekly, or monthly VM backups and write them to tape or removable media.

5. Click **Finish** to finish creating the **Backup Repository**.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Name & Location 3. Options

Storage Savings & Encryption

Data size reduction: Enabled settings

Encryption: Disabled

Reliability & Maintenance

- Enable automatic repository self-healing
- Run repository self-healing on schedule
- Run full data verification on schedule
- Enforce explicit file system sync

Scheduled Detach

- Detach this repository on schedule

Data Size Reduction Settings

Compression level: Fast

- Store backups in separate files (recommended)

Apply Cancel

Cancel Finish

Backup Repository on CIFS Share

Choose this option if you want to create a **Backup Repository** on a Windows CIFS share. Before creating a **Backup Repository** on a CIFS share, make sure that all the necessary prerequisites are met:

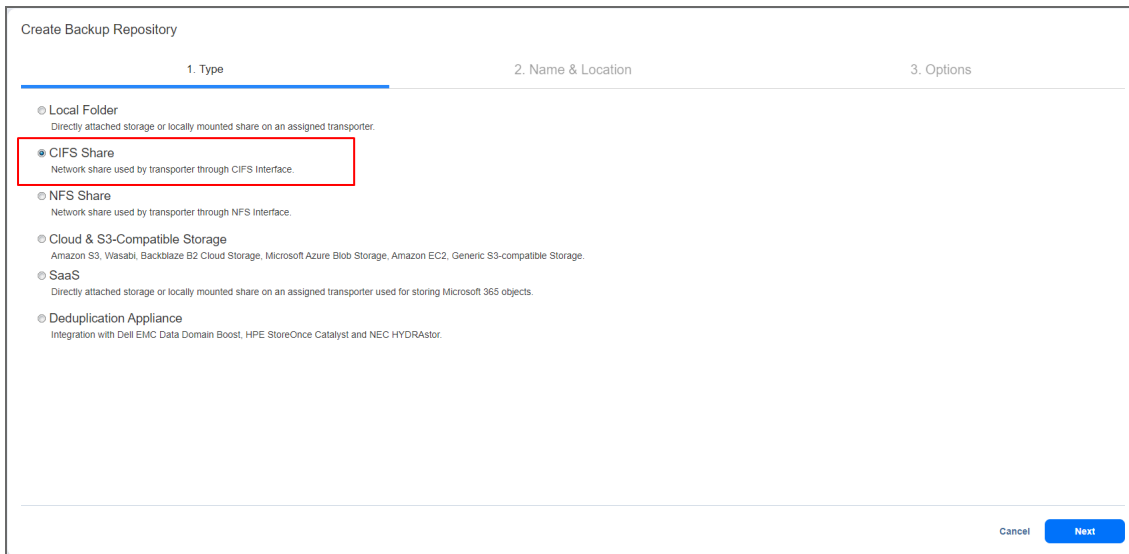
- The folder where you would like to create the **Backup Repository** exists on the share.
- The share can be accessed from the machine on which the Assigned **Transporter** is installed.
- You are using credentials with read and write permissions to the share.
- The share is compatible with Version 2 or later of the SMB protocol.

To create a **Backup Repository** on a Windows CIFS share, proceed as described in the following sections:

- [Create Backup Repository: Type](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Name and Location](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Options](#)

Create Backup Repository: Type

On the **Type** page of the **Create Backup Repository** wizard, select **CIFS Share** and click **Next** to move to the next page of the wizard.



Create Backup Repository: Name and Location

On the **Name & Location** page of the wizard, do the following:

1. Enter the name of the **Backup Repository** in the **Name** box.
2. Select the **Transporter** from the Assigned transporter drop-down list.
3. Enter the path to the CIFS share.

Example

Synology share path: `\\10.30.30.61\ayunt_cifs1`

4. Provide username and password in the appropriate boxes.

Note

If you're using domain credentials to access the share, enter your domain username via the following format: `domain\username`.

5. Select **Advanced mount options** if needed. Refer to the `mount man` pages for a detailed description of CIFS share mount options.
6. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Name & Location 3. Options

Name: CIFS share

Assigned transporter: Onboard transporter ⓘ

Path to the share: \\Server\Path ⓘ

Username: admin ⓘ

Password: ⓘ

Advanced mount options: ⓘ

Cancel Next

Create Backup Repository: Options

On the **Options** page, do the following:

1. Set up *Storage Savings & Encryption* options:
 - **Data size reduction:** If this option is enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication enables the use of data size reduction for this repository to save disk space. Note that this may put additional load on the CPU. Disabling data size reduction is required if the target is a deduplication storage appliance. Click settings to configure the settings. A popup window appears. Set the following:
 - **Compression:** Select a compression level that will be used to reduce the data size in the **Backup Repository**. Note that higher compression levels consume considerably more CPU and may slow down VM backup speed. The following options are available:
 - **Disabled:** The data in the **Backup Repository** will not be compressed.
 - **Fast:** Lowest compression level.
 - **Medium:** Medium compression level.
 - **Best:** Maximum compression level.

Note

This option cannot be configured after creating the **Backup Repository**.

- **Store backups in separate files:** Select this option to enable this backup repository to store data of every machine in separate backup files. Enabling this option is highly recommended to ensure higher reliability and performance. Leave this option unchecked if you wish to enable deduplication on a given backup repository.
- **Deduplication:** Select this option to enable the backup deduplication method to reduce the backup size by excluding duplicate data blocks from the backup.

Note

This option is not available if the Store backups in separate files checkbox has been selected.

- **Encryption:** This option is available only if the **Backup Repository** is created locally on the machine on which the Assigned **Transporter** is installed, and the machine is running a Linux OS. Select **Enabled** from the drop-down list and specify an encryption password. (The password will be required for importing the **Backup Repository** into a new instance of the product.) The product will encrypt the repository destination (using `ecryptfs` for folders and `cryptsetup` (`crypt-md`) in LUKS mode for devices/partitions) prior to creating the **Backup Repository**.

Notes

- To avoid `ecryptfs` errors, make sure that there are no other folders and files except the NakivoBackup folder in the repository location.
- **Backup Repository** encryption can significantly influence backup speed.

2. Set up *Reliability & Maintenance* options:

- **Enable automatic repository self-healing:** Leave this option selected to automatically trigger repository self-healing in case the product detects symptoms of problems in the backup infrastructure such as incorrect timestamps on metadata and data files. You can deselect this option and [run self-healing manually](#).
- **Run repository self-healing on schedule:** If required, select this checkbox to run repository self-healing on schedule. You can configure the schedule by clicking the **schedule** link when the option is selected. The default schedule is set to run every day at 11 AM. If **Stop backup and recovery to run self-healing** is selected, any jobs or recoveries which use this repository will be stopped to run scheduled self-healing. Otherwise, scheduled self-healing will be skipped in case there are running jobs or recoveries on this repository.

- **Run full data verification on schedule:** If selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will run full verification of all data available in the **Backup Repository** on the specified schedule. The product will read each block of data and ensure that it is identical to the data block that was read on the source VM during the backup. This way, the product will verify each recovery points in the Backup Repository.

If **Stop backup and recovery to run backup verification** is selected, any running jobs which use this **Backup Repository** will be stopped to run scheduled data verification. Otherwise, scheduled data verification will be skipped in case there are running jobs on this Backup Repository.

Note

Backup verification is a time-consuming process and consumes CPU of the **Transporter** assigned to the **Backup Repository**. It is recommended that you schedule backup verification during non-working hours.

- **Reclaim unused space on schedule:** If required, select this option to run the **Backup Repository space reclaim** process on schedule. Space reclaim will compact the data. Unused space will be reclaimed. Keep in mind that this process can be time-consuming.

Note

This option is available only if **Store backups in separate files** is not enabled.

If **Stop backup and recovery to run space reclaim** is selected, any running jobs which use this **Backup Repository** will be stopped to run scheduled space reclaiming. Otherwise, scheduled space reclaiming will be skipped in case there are running jobs on this **Backup Repository**.

Important

Do not reboot/disconnect the "null" **Transporter** and storage device while space reclaim is in progress to avoid **Backup Repository** corruption.

- **Enforce explicit file system sync:** When selected, explicit sync with the file system is enforced during all backup operations to this repository. This setting is considered more reliable but may lead to lower performance on certain storage devices. By default, the option is disabled.

4. Schedule detaching of the **Backup Repository**:

- **Detach this repository on schedule:** Select this option if you want to **detach** and then **attach** the **Backup Repository** on a schedule. Detaching a **Backup Repository** saves its data and metadata in a consistent state and then stops the product's interaction with the **Backup Repository** (so that it can be copied or moved). You can use this feature, for example, for the disk-to-disk-to-tape (D2D2T) data protection approach, in which backups are stored on a disk for fast operational recovery, and copied to a tape (while the repository is detached) for archiving and long-term storage.

- **Delete and re-create the repository on attach:** If this option is selected, all data in the **Backup Repository** will be erased prior to attaching it to the product. As a result, jobs that write to this **Backup Repository** will create full VM backups. You can use this option, for example, to create full daily, weekly, or monthly VM backups and write them to tape or removable media.

5. Click **Finish** to finish creating the **Backup Repository**.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Name & Location 3. Options

Storage Savings & Encryption

Data size reduction: Enabled settings

Encryption: Disabled

Reliability & Maintenance

- Enable automatic repository self-healing
- Run repository self-healing on schedule
- Run full data verification on schedule
- Enforce explicit file system sync

Scheduled Detach

- Detach this repository on schedule

Data Size Reduction Settings

Compression level: Fast

- Store backups in separate files (recommended)

Apply Cancel

Cancel Finish

Backup Repository on NFS Share

Choose this option if you wish to create a **Backup Repository** on an NFS share. Before creating a **Backup Repository** on an NFS share, make sure that all the necessary prerequisites are met:

- The folder where you would like to create the **Backup Repository** exists on the share.
- The share can be accessed from the machine on which the Assigned **Transporter** is installed.
- You are using credentials with read and write permissions to the share.

To create a repository on an NFS share, proceed as described in the following sections:

- [Create Backup Repository: Type](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Name and Location](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Options](#)

Create Backup Repository: Type

On the **Type** page of the **Create Backup Repository** wizard, select **NFS Share** and click **Next** to move to the next page of the wizard.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Backup Repository' wizard with three steps: 1. Type, 2. Name & Location, and 3. Options. Under the '1. Type' step, there are several radio button options: 'Local Folder', 'CIFS Share', 'NFS Share', 'Cloud & S3-Compatible Storage', 'SaaS', and 'Deduplication Appliance'. The 'NFS Share' option is selected and highlighted with a red rectangular box. At the bottom right of the wizard, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Create Backup Repository: Name and Location

On the **Name & Location** page of the wizard, do the following:

1. Enter the name of the **Backup Repository** in the **Name** box.
2. Select the **Transporter** from the **Assigned transporter** drop-down list.
3. Enter the path to the NFS share.

Examples

QNAP share path: 10.30.30.109:/ayunt_nfs

Note

If the Assigned **Transporter** is installed on a Windows OS, you need to enable the "Client for NFS" feature on the machine on which the **Transporter** is installed.

4. Select **Advanced mount options** if needed. Refer to the `mount` man pages for a detailed description of mount options.

Note

To create a **Backup Repository** on a NEC HydraStor deduplication appliance, refer to [Integrating with NEC HydraStor](#).

5. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Backup Repository' wizard with three steps: 1. Type, 2. Name & Location (current), and 3. Options. The 'Name & Location' step contains the following fields:

- Name: NFS share
- Assigned transporter: Onboard transporter (dropdown menu)
- Path to the share: server:/NFS/share
- Advanced mount options: (checkbox, currently unchecked)

At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Create Backup Repository: Options

On the **Options** page, do the following:

1. Set up *Storage Savings & Encryption* options:
 - **Data size reduction:** If this option is enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication enables the use of data size reduction for this repository to save disk space. Note that this may put additional load on the CPU. Disabling data size reduction is required if the target is a deduplication storage appliance. Click settings to configure the settings. A popup window appears. Set the following:
 - **Compression:** Select a compression level that will be used to reduce the data size in the **Backup Repository**. Note that higher compression levels consume considerably more CPU and may slow down VM backup speed. The following options are available:

- **Disabled:** The data in the **Backup Repository** will not be compressed.
- **Fast:** Lowest compression level.
- **Medium:** Medium compression level.
- **Best:** Maximum compression level.

Note

This option cannot be configured after creating the **Backup Repository**.

- **Store backups in separate files:** Select this option to enable this backup repository to store data of every machine in separate backup files. Enabling this option is highly recommended to ensure higher reliability and performance. Leave this option unchecked if you wish to enable deduplication on a given backup repository.
- **Deduplication:** Select this option to enable the backup deduplication method to reduce the backup size by excluding duplicate data blocks from the backup.

Note

This option is not available if the Store backups in separate files checkbox has been selected.

- **Encryption:** This option is available only if the **Backup Repository** is created locally on the machine on which the Assigned **Transporter** is installed, and the machine is running a Linux OS. Select **Enabled** from the drop-down list and specify an encryption password. (The password will be required for importing the **Backup Repository** into a new instance of the product.) The product will encrypt the repository destination (using `ecryptfs` for folders and `cryptsetup` (`crypt-md`) in LUKS mode for devices/partitions) prior to creating the **Backup Repository**.

Notes

- To avoid `ecryptfs` errors, make sure that there are no other folders and files except the NakivoBackup folder in the repository location.
- **Backup Repository** encryption can significantly influence backup speed.

2. Set up *Reliability & Maintenance* options:

- **Enable automatic repository self-healing:** Leave this option selected to automatically trigger repository self-healing in case the product detects symptoms of problems in the backup infrastructure such as incorrect timestamps on metadata and data files. You can deselect this option and [run self-healing manually](#).

- **Run repository self-healing on schedule:** If required, select this checkbox to run repository self-healing on schedule. You can configure the schedule by clicking the **schedule** link when the option is selected. The default schedule is set to run every day at 11 AM.
If **Stop backup and recovery to run self-healing** is selected, any jobs or recoveries which use this repository will be stopped to run scheduled self-healing. Otherwise, scheduled self-healing will be skipped in case there are running jobs or recoveries on this repository.
- **Run full data verification on schedule:** If selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will run full verification of all data available in the **Backup Repository** on the specified schedule. The product will read each block of data and ensure that it is identical to the data block that was read on the source VM during the backup. This way, the product will verify each recovery points in the **Backup Repository**.
If **Stop backup and recovery to run backup verification** is selected, any running jobs which use this Backup Repository will be stopped to run scheduled data verification. Otherwise, scheduled data verification will be skipped in case there are running jobs on this **Backup Repository**.

Note

Backup verification is a time-consuming process and consumes CPU of the **Transporter** assigned to the **Backup Repository**. It is recommended that you schedule backup verification during non-working hours.

- **Reclaim unused space on schedule:** If required, select this option to run the **Backup Repository space reclaim** process on schedule. Space reclaim will compact the data. Unused space will be reclaimed. Keep in mind that this process can be time-consuming.

Note

This option is available only if **Store backups in separate files** is not enabled.

If **Stop backup and recovery to run space reclaim** is selected, any running jobs which use this Backup Repository will be stopped to run scheduled space reclaiming. Otherwise, scheduled space reclaiming will be skipped in case there are running jobs on this **Backup Repository**.

Important

Do not reboot/disconnect the "null" **Transporter** and storage device while space reclaim is in progress to avoid **Backup Repository** corruption.

- **Enforce explicit file system sync:** When selected, explicit sync with the file system is enforced during all backup operations to this repository. This setting is considered more reliable but may lead to lower performance on certain storage devices. By default, the option is disabled.

4. Schedule detaching of the Backup Repository:

- **Detach this repository on schedule:** Select this option if you want to **detach** and then **attach** the **Backup Repository** on a schedule. Detaching a **Backup Repository** saves its data and metadata in a consistent state and then stops the product's interaction with the **Backup Repository** (so that it can be copied or moved). You can use this feature, for example, for the disk-to-disk-to-tape (D2D2T) data protection approach, in which backups are stored on a disk for fast operational recovery, and copied to a tape (while the repository is detached) for archiving and long-term storage.
- **Delete and re-create the repository on attach:** If this option is selected, all data in the **Backup Repository** will be erased prior to attaching it to the product. As a result, jobs that write to this **Backup Repository** will create full VM backups. You can use this option, for example, to create full daily, weekly, or monthly VM backups and write them to tape or removable media.

5. Click **Finish** to finish creating the **Backup Repository**.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Name & Location 3. Options

Storage Savings & Encryption

Data size reduction: Enabled [settings](#)

Encryption: Disabled

Reliability & Maintenance

- Enable automatic repository self-healing
- Run repository self-healing on schedule
- Run full data verification on schedule
- Enforce explicit file system sync

Scheduled Detach

- Detach this repository on schedule

Data Size Reduction Settings

Compression level: Fast

- Store backups in separate files (recommended)

Apply Cancel

Cancel Finish

Backup Repository in Amazon EC2

Choose this option if you want to create a **Backup Repository** in Amazon EC2. The **Backup Repository** will be created in the same region where the assigned Transporter is located.

Important

- To avoid disrupting NAKIVO Backup & Replication processes and data corruption, add NAKIVO Backup & Replication to the white/exclusions list of antivirus software running on the machine on which the NAKIVO **Backup Repository** is set up.
- You may be additionally charged for using a third-party resource. Refer to the third-party resource provider documentation for details.

To create a repository in Amazon EC2, proceed as described in the following sections:

- [Create Backup Repository: Type](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Vendor](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Name & Location](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Options](#)

Create Backup Repository: Type

On the **Type** page of the **Create Backup Repository** wizard, select **Cloud & S3-compatible Storage** and click **Next** to move to the next page of the wizard.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Backup Repository' wizard with four steps: 1. Type, 2. Vendor, 3. Name & Location, and 4. Options. Step 1 is active. The options listed are:

- Local Folder
Directly attached storage or locally mounted share on an assigned transporter.
- CIFS Share
Network share used by transporter through CIFS Interface.
- NFS Share
Network share used by transporter through NFS Interface.
- Cloud & S3-COMPATIBLE STORAGE**
Amazon S3, Microsoft Azure, Wasabi, Amazon EC2, Generic S3-compatible Storage ^{BETA}
- SaaS
Directly attached storage or locally mounted share on an assigned transporter used for storing Microsoft 365 objects.
- Deduplication Appliance
Integration with Dell EMC Data Domain Boost, HPE StoreOnce Catalyst and NEC HYDRAsstor.

At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Create Backup Repository: Vendor

On the **Vendor** page of the wizard, select **Amazon EC2**. Click **Next** to proceed to the next step.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Amazon S3
 Highly scalable AWS object storage.

Microsoft Azure
 Microsoft Azure object storage. Both hot and cool storage access tiers are supported.

Wasabi
 Cost effective cloud based object storage.

Backblaze
 Secure and reliable low-cost S3 compatible cloud storage

Amazon EC2
 EBS storage attached to transporter running in Amazon EC2 instance.

Generic S3-Compatible Storage
 Object storage that supports S3 protocol.

Cancel **Next**

Create Backup Repository: Name & Location

On the **Name & Location** page of the wizard, do the following:

1. Enter the name of the **Backup Repository** in the **Name** box.
2. Select the **Transporter** from the **Assigned transporter** drop-down list. To add a new **Transporter**, click **Add new transporter** and [configure a new Transporter](#) in the **Transporters** tab. Once the new **Transporter** is successfully added, it appears in the **Assigned transporter** drop-down list.
3. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Name:

Assigned transporter: ⓘ

[Add new transporter](#)

Cancel **Finish**

Create Backup Repository: Options

On the **Options** page, do the following:

Configure data storage options:

- **Volume type:** Choose one of the following EBS volumes that will be used for creating the **Backup Repository**:
 - Cold HDD (sc1)
 - Throughput Optimized HDD (st1)
 - General Purpose SDD (gp2)
 - General Purpose SDD (gp3)
 - Magnetic Standard
- **Storage:** Specify a size for the Backup Repository that will be allocated in Amazon EC2 using EBS Volumes. The volumes will be attached to the selected Amazon EC2 **Transporter**.
- **Storage chunk (GB):** A **Backup Repository** in Amazon EC2 is created by using multiple EBS Volumes (chunks). The maximum size of the **Backup Repository** is limited to 50 EBS Volumes (chunks) or 16 TB (whichever occurs first). The size of a storage chunk defines the size of each individual EBS volume. Also, the storage will be resized (either manually or automatically) with the minimal step of the storage chunk specified here. To scale up to 16,000 GB, it is recommended that you have 400 GB storage chunk or bigger. Storage chunk cannot be changed later.
- **Automatically resize storage:** When this option is selected, the cloud storage is automatically increased and reduced as required.

Set up **Storage Savings & Encryption** options:

- **Data size reduction:** When this option is enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication enables the use of data size reduction for this repository to save disk space. Note that this may put additional load on the CPU. Disabling data size reduction is required if the target is a deduplication storage appliance. Click **Settings** to configure the settings. A popup window appears. Set the following:
 - **Compression:** Select a compression level to be used to reduce the data size in the **Backup Repository**. Note that higher compression levels consume considerably more CPU and may slow down VM backup speed. The following options are available:
 - **Disabled:** No compression.
 - **Fast:** Lowest compression level.
 - **Medium:** Medium compression level.
 - **Best:** Maximum compression level.

Note

This option cannot be configured after creating the **Backup Repository**.

- **Store backups in separate files:** Select this option to enable this **Backup Repository** to store data of every machine in separate backup files. Enabling this option is highly recommended to ensure better reliability and performance. Leave this option unselected if you wish to enable deduplication on a **Backup Repository**.
- **Deduplication:** Select this option to enable the backup deduplication method to reduce the backup size by excluding duplicate data blocks from the backup.

Note

This option is not available if the Store backups in separate files checkbox has been selected.

- **Encryption:** This option is available only if the **Backup Repository** is created locally on the machine on which the Assigned **Transporter** is installed, and the machine is running a Linux OS. Select **Enabled** from the drop-down list and specify an encryption password (the password is required for importing the **Backup Repository** to a new instance of the product). The product will encrypt the repository destination using `ecryptfs` for folders and `cryptsetup` (`crypt-md`) in LUKS mode for devices/partitions before creating the **Backup Repository**.

Notes

- To avoid `ecryptfs` errors, make sure that there are no other folders and files except the *NakivoBackup* folder in the repository location.
- **Backup Repository** encryption can significantly affect backup speed.

Set up **Reliability & Maintenance** options:

- **Enable automatic repository self-healing:** Leave this option selected to automatically trigger repository self-healing in case the product detects symptoms of problems in the backup infrastructure (such as incorrect timestamps on metadata and data files). You can deselect this option and [run self-healing manually](#).
- **Run repository self-healing on schedule:** You can select this checkbox to run repository self-healing based on a schedule. You can configure the schedule by clicking the **schedule** link when the option is selected. The default schedule is set to run every day at 11 AM.

When **Stop backup and recovery to run self-healing** is selected, any jobs or recoveries that use this repository are stopped to run scheduled self-healing. Otherwise, scheduled self-healing is skipped if there are running jobs or recoveries on this repository.

- **Run full data verification on schedule:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication runs full verification of all data available in the **Backup Repository** based on the specified schedule. The product reads each block of data to ensure that it is identical to the data block that was read on the source VM during the backup. This way, the product verifies each recovery point in the **Backup Repository**.

When **Stop backup and recovery to run backup verification** is selected, any running jobs which use this **Backup Repository** are stopped to run scheduled data verification. Otherwise, scheduled data verification is skipped if there are running jobs on this Backup Repository.

Note

Backup verification is a time-consuming process and consumes CPU of the **Transporter** assigned to the Backup Repository. It is recommended that you schedule backup verification during non-working hours.

- **Reclaim unused space on schedule:** You can select this option to run the **Backup Repository space reclaim** process based on a schedule. Space reclaim compacts the data. Unused space is reclaimed. Keep in mind that this process can be time-consuming.

Note

This option is available only when **Store backups in separate files** is not enabled.

When **Stop backup and recovery to run space reclaim** is selected, any running jobs that use this **Backup Repository** are stopped to run scheduled space reclaiming. Otherwise, scheduled space reclaiming is skipped if there are running jobs on this **Backup Repository**.

Important

Do not reboot/disconnect the "null" **Transporter** and storage device while space reclaim is in progress to avoid **Backup Repository** corruption.

- **Enforce explicit file system sync:** When this option is selected, explicit sync with the file system is enforced during all backup operations to this repository. This setting is considered more reliable but may lead to lower performance on certain storage devices. By default, the option is disabled.

Schedule detaching of the Backup Repository:

- **Detach this repository on schedule:** Select this option if you want to **detach** and then **attach** the **Backup Repository** based on a schedule. Detaching a **Backup Repository** saves its data and metadata in a consistent state and then stops the product's interaction with the **Backup Repository** (so that it can be copied or moved). You can use this feature, for example, for the disk-to-disk-to-tape (D2D2T) data protection approach: backups are stored on a disk for fast operational recovery and copied to a tape (while the repository is detached) for archiving and long-term storage.

- **Delete and re-create the repository on attach:** When this option is selected, all data in the **Backup Repository** is erased prior to attaching it to the product. As a result, jobs that write to this **Backup Repository** create full VM backups. You can use this option, for example, to create full daily, weekly, or monthly VM backups and write them to tape or removable media.

Click **Finish** to finish creating the **Backup Repository**.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor 3. Name & Location **4. Options**

Volume type: Cold HDD (sc1) ⓘ

Storage (GB): 500 ⓘ

Storage chunk (GB): 500 ⓘ

Automatically resize storage ⓘ

Storage Savings & Encryption

Data size reduction: Enabled ⓘ settings

Encryption: Disabled ⓘ

Reliability & Maintenance

Enable automatic repository self-healing ⓘ

Run repository self-healing on schedule ⓘ

Run full data verification on schedule ⓘ

Enforce explicit file system sync ⓘ

Scheduled Detach

Detach this repository on schedule ⓘ

Data Size Reduction Settings

Compression level: Fast ⓘ

Store backups in separate files (recommended) ⓘ

Apply Cancel

Cancel **Finish**

Backup Repository in Amazon S3

Select the **Amazon S3** option if you want to create a **Backup Repository** in Amazon S3. Before creating a repository, grant the required S3 access permissions to NAKIVO Backup & Replication. For details, refer to [Required AWS IAM Permissions for Amazon S3, Backblaze, and Wasabi](#) and [Permissions for the Amazon S3 Bucket](#).

In addition, make sure to enable the following options for the relevant Amazon S3 bucket:

- Object Lock
- Versioning

Since retention settings are set by NAKIVO Backup & Replication during job creation, disable the Object Lock retention mode and retention period on the S3 bucket as well.

Important

- You will be charged for Amazon S3 storage/traffic according to AWS tariffs.
- Forever incremental backups are not supported by this location.
- Only Amazon S3 Standard storage class is supported.

To create a **Backup Repository** in an Amazon S3 bucket, proceed as described in the following sections:

- [Create Backup Repository: Type](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Vendor](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Name & Location](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Options](#)

Create Backup Repository: Type

On the **Type** page of the **Create Backup Repository** wizard, select **Cloud & S3-compatible Storage** and click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Backup Repository' wizard with four steps: 1. Type, 2. Vendor, 3. Name & Location, and 4. Options. Step 1 is active. The options are:

- Local Folder
Directly attached storage or locally mounted share on an assigned transporter.
- CIFS Share
Network share used by transporter through CIFS Interface.
- NFS Share
Network share used by transporter through NFS Interface.
- Cloud & S3-COMPATIBLE STORAGE
Amazon S3, Microsoft Azure, Wasabi, Amazon EC2, Generic S3-compatible Storage BETA
- SaaS
Directly attached storage or locally mounted share on an assigned transporter used for storing Microsoft 365 objects.
- Deduplication Appliance
Integration with Dell EMC Data Domain Boost, HPE StoreOnce Catalyst and NEC HYDRAStor.

At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Create Backup Repository: Vendor

On the **Vendor** page of the wizard, select **Amazon S3**. Click **Next** to proceed to the next step.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Backup Repository' wizard with four steps: 1. Type, 2. Vendor, 3. Name & Location, and 4. Options. The 'Vendor' step is active, and the 'Amazon S3' option is selected and highlighted with a red box. The other options are: Microsoft Azure, Wasabi, Backblaze, Amazon EC2, and Generic S3-Compatible Storage. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor 3. Name & Location 4. Options

- Amazon S3
Highly scalable AWS object storage.
- Microsoft Azure
Microsoft Azure object storage. Both hot and cool storage access tiers are supported.
- Wasabi
Cost effective cloud based object storage.
- Backblaze
Secure and reliable low-cost S3 compatible cloud storage
- Amazon EC2
EBS storage attached to transporter running in Amazon EC2 instance.
- Generic S3-Compatible Storage
Object storage that supports S3 protocol.

Cancel Next

Create Backup Repository: Name & Location

On the **Name & Location** page of the wizard, do the following:

1. Enter the name of the **Backup Repository** in the **Name** box.
2. Select the **Transporter** from the **Assigned transporter** drop-down list.
3. Select an AWS account from the **Account** drop-down list.
4. Select the **AWS region** connected to the bucket where you want to store your backups.
5. Select the bucket where you want to store your backups from the **Bucket** drop-down list.

6. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor **3. Name & Location** 4. Options

Name: S3 Repository

Assigned transporter: aws ⓘ

Account: AWS ⓘ
[Add new account](#)

AWS Region: EU (Frankfurt) ⓘ

Bucket: aynbr ⓘ

Cancel **Next**

Create Backup Repository: Options

On the **Options** page, do the following:

1. In the **Storage Savings** section, select a compression level for reducing the data size in the **Backup Repository**. Note that higher compression levels consume considerably more CPU and may slow down the backup speed. The following options are available:
 - **Disabled:** No compression.
 - **Fast:** Lowest compression level.
 - **Medium:** Medium compression level.
 - **Best:** Maximum compression level.

Note

This option cannot be configured after you create the **Backup Repository**.

2. Set up **Reliability & Maintenance** options:
 - **Run full data verification on schedule:** When selected, the product runs full verification of all data available in the **Backup Repository** according to the specified schedule. The product reads each block of data and ensures that it is identical to the data block that was read on the source machine during the backup. This way, the product verifies each recovery point in the **Backup Repository**.

When **Stop backup and recovery to run full data verification** is selected, any running jobs that use this **Backup Repository** are stopped to run scheduled data verification. When this option is not selected, scheduled data verification is skipped if there are running jobs on this **Backup Repository**.

Note

Backup verification is a time-consuming process and utilizes the CPU resources of the **Transporter** assigned to the **Backup Repository**. It is recommended that you schedule backup verification during non-working hours.

- **Enforce explicit file system sync:** When selected, explicit sync with the file system is enforced during all backup operations to this repository. This setting is considered more reliable but may lead to lower performance on certain storage devices. By default, the option is disabled.

3. Schedule detaching of the **Backup Repository**:

- **Detach this repository on schedule:** Select this option if you want to [detach](#) and then [attach](#) the **Backup Repository** based on a schedule. Detaching a **Backup Repository** saves its data and metadata in a consistent state and then stops the interaction of the product with the **Backup Repository** (so that it can be copied or moved). You can use this feature, for example, for the disk-to-disk-to-tape (D2D2T) data protection approach, in which backups are stored on a disk for fast operational recovery and copied to a tape (while the repository is detached) for archiving and long-term storage.
- **Delete and re-create the repository on attach:** When this option is selected, all the data in the **Backup Repository** is erased prior to attaching it to the product. As a result, jobs that write to this **Backup Repository** create full backups. You can use this option, for example, to create full daily, weekly, or monthly VM backups and write them to tape or removable media.

4. Click **Finish** to complete **Backup Repository** creation.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Backup Repository' wizard at the 'Options' step. The 'Storage Savings' section is active, with 'Data size reduction' set to 'Enabled'. A 'Data Size Reduction Settings' dialog box is open, showing 'Compression level' set to 'Fast' and 'Store backups in separate files (recommended)' checked. There are 'Apply' and 'Cancel' buttons in the dialog. At the bottom of the wizard, there are 'Cancel' and 'Finish' buttons.

Backup Repository in Generic S3-Compatible Object Storage

Note

Only specific S3-compatible vendors are supported. Please see [Feature Requirements](#) for more information.

Before creating a repository, enable the following options for the generic S3-compatible storage used:

- Object Lock
- Versioning

To create a **Backup Repository** in a generic S3-compatible object bucket, proceed as described in the following sections:

- [Create Backup Repository: Type](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Vendor](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Name & Location](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Options](#)

Create Backup Repository: Type

On the **Type** page of the **Create Backup Repository** wizard, select **Cloud & S3-compatible Storage** and click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Local Folder
Directly attached storage or locally mounted share on an assigned transporter.

CIFS Share
Network share used by transporter through CIFS Interface.

NFS Share
Network share used by transporter through NFS Interface.

Cloud & S3-COMPATIBLE STORAGE
Amazon S3, Microsoft Azure, Wasabi, Amazon EC2, Generic S3-compatible Storage ^{BETA}

SaaS
Directly attached storage or locally mounted share on an assigned transporter used for storing Microsoft 365 objects.

Deduplication Appliance
Integration with Dell EMC Data Domain Boost, HPE StoreOnce Catalyst and NEC HYDRAsTOR.

Cancel **Next**

Create Backup Repository: Vendor

On the **Vendor** page of the wizard, select **Generic S3-Compatible Storage**. Click **Next** to proceed to the next step.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Amazon S3
Highly scalable AWS object storage.

Microsoft Azure
Microsoft Azure object storage. Both hot and cool storage access tiers are supported.

Wasabi
Cost effective cloud based object storage.

Backblaze
Secure and reliable low-cost S3 compatible cloud storage

Amazon EC2
EBS storage attached to transporter running in Amazon EC2 instance.

Generic S3-Compatible Storage
Object storage that supports S3 protocol.

Cancel **Next**

Create Backup Repository: Name & Location

On the **Name & Location** page of the wizard, do the following:

1. Enter the name of the **Backup Repository** in the **Name** box.
2. Select the **Transporter** from the **Assigned transporter** drop-down list.
3. Select the existing generic S3-compatible object storage **Account** where the backup repository will be located.
4. Optionally, click the **Add new account** link if you have not yet added a generic S3-compatible object storage account to the **Inventory**.

5. Select the bucket where you want to store your backups from the **Bucket** drop-down list.
6. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Name:

Assigned transporter:

Account:

Bucket:

Cancel Finish

Create Backup Repository: Options

On the **Options** page, do the following:

1. In the **Storage Savings** section, select a compression level for reducing the data size in the **Backup Repository**. Note that higher compression levels consume considerably more CPU and may slow down the backup speed. The following options are available:
 - **Disabled**: No compression
 - **Fast**: Lowest compression level
 - **Medium**: Medium compression level
 - **Best**: Maximum compression level

Note

This option cannot be configured after you create the **Backup Repository**.

2. Set up **Reliability & Maintenance** options:
 - **Run full data verification on schedule**: When this option is selected, the product runs full verification of all data available in the **Backup Repository** according to the specified schedule. The product reads each block of data and ensures that it is identical to the data block that was read on the source machine during the backup. This way, the product verifies each recovery point in the **Backup Repository**.
 - When **Stop backup and recovery to run full data verification** is selected, any running jobs that use this Backup Repository are stopped to run scheduled data verification. When this option is not selected, scheduled data verification is skipped if there are running jobs on this **Backup Repository**.

Note

Backup verification is a time-consuming process and utilizes the CPU resources of the **Transporter** assigned to the **Backup Repository**. It is recommended that you schedule backup verification during non-working hours.

- **Enforce explicit file system sync:** When this option is selected, explicit sync with the file system is enforced during all backup operations to this repository. This setting is considered more reliable but may lead to lower performance on certain storage devices. By default, the option is disabled.

3. Schedule detaching of the Backup Repository:

- **Detach this repository on schedule:** Select this option if you want to [detach](#) and then [attach](#) the **Backup Repository** on a schedule. Detaching a **Backup Repository** saves its data and metadata in a consistent state and then stops the product's interaction with the **Backup Repository** (so that it can be copied or moved). You can use this feature, for example, for the disk-to-disk-to-tape (D2D2T) data protection approach, in which backups are stored on a disk for fast operational recovery, and copied to a tape (while the repository is detached) for archiving and long-term storage.
- **Delete and re-create the repository on attach:** When this option is selected, all the data in the **Backup Repository** is erased prior to attaching the repository to the product. As a result, jobs that write to this **Backup Repository** create full backups. You can use this option, for example, to create full daily, weekly, or monthly backups and write them to tape or removable media.

4. Click **Finish** to complete **Backup Repository** creation.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Backup Repository' wizard at the '4. Options' step. The wizard has four steps: 1. Type, 2. Vendor, 3. Name & Location, and 4. Options. The '4. Options' step is currently active and highlighted with a blue underline. The options are organized into three sections: 'Storage Savings', 'Reliability', and 'Scheduled Detach'. Under 'Storage Savings', 'Data size reduction' is set to 'Enabled' with a 'settings' link. Under 'Reliability', there are two checkboxes: 'Run full data verification on schedule' and 'Enforce explicit file system sync', both of which are currently unchecked. Under 'Scheduled Detach', there is one checkbox: 'Detach this repository on schedule', which is also unchecked. At the bottom right of the wizard, there are two buttons: 'Cancel' and 'Finish'.

Backup Repository in Microsoft Azure Blob Storage

Before creating a Microsoft Azure Blob storage repository, you need to configure your Azure storage account to work with NAKIVO Backup & Replication. For details, refer to [“Configuring a Microsoft Azure Storage Account” on page 452](#).

To create a **Backup Repository** in Azure Blob storage, proceed as described in the following sections:

- [Create Backup Repository: Type](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Vendor](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Name & Location](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Options](#)

Create Backup Repository: Type

On the **Type** page of the **Create Backup Repository** wizard, select **Cloud & S3-compatible Storage** and click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Backup Repository' wizard with four steps: 1. Type, 2. Vendor, 3. Name & Location, and 4. Options. Step 1 is active. The following options are listed:

- Local Folder
Directly attached storage or locally mounted share on an assigned transporter.
- CIFS Share
Network share used by transporter through CIFS Interface.
- NFS Share
Network share used by transporter through NFS Interface.
- Cloud & S3-COMPATIBLE STORAGE**
Amazon S3, Microsoft Azure, Wasabi, Amazon EC2, Generic S3-compatible Storage ^{BETA}
- SaaS
Directly attached storage or locally mounted share on an assigned transporter used for storing Microsoft 365 objects.
- Deduplication Appliance
Integration with Dell EMC Data Domain Boost, HPE StoreOnce Catalyst and NEC HYDRAStor.

At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Create Backup Repository: Vendor

On the **Vendor** page of the wizard, select **Microsoft Azure**. Click **Next** to proceed to the next step.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Amazon S3
 Highly scalable AWS object storage.

Microsoft Azure
 Microsoft Azure object storage. Both hot and cool storage access tiers are supported.

Wasabi
 Cost effective cloud based object storage.

Backblaze
 Secure and reliable low-cost S3 compatible cloud storage

Amazon EC2
 EBS storage attached to transporter running in Amazon EC2 instance.

Generic S3-Compatible Storage
 Object storage that supports S3 protocol.

Cancel Next

Create Backup Repository: Name & Location

On the **Name & Location** page of the wizard, do the following:

1. Enter the name of the **Backup Repository** in the **Name** box.
2. Select the **Transporter** from the **Assigned transporter** drop-down list.
3. Select a Microsoft Azure storage account from the **Account** drop-down list.
4. In the **Container** drop-down list, select the container within the chosen storage account where you want to store backups.
5. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Name:

Assigned transporter: ⓘ

Account: ⓘ

Container: ⓘ

[Add new account](#)

Cancel Next

Create Backup Repository: Options

On the **Options** page, do the following:

1. In the **Storage Savings** section, select a compression level for reducing the data size in the **Backup Repository**. Note that higher compression levels consume considerably more CPU and may slow down the backup process. The following options are available:

- **Disabled:** No compression.
- **Fast:** Lowest compression level.
- **Medium:** Medium compression level.
- **Best:** Maximum compression level.

Note

This option cannot be configured after you create the Backup Repository.

2. Set up **Reliability & Maintenance** options:

3. **Run full data verification on schedule:** When this option is selected, the product runs full verification of all data available in the Backup Repository based on the specified schedule. The product reads each block of data and ensures that it is identical to the data block that was read on the source machine during the backup. This way, the product verifies each recovery point in the **Backup Repository**. When **Stop backup and recovery to run full data verification** is selected, any running jobs that use this Backup Repository are stopped to run scheduled data verification. When this option is not selected, scheduled data verification is skipped if there are running jobs on this **Backup Repository**.

Note

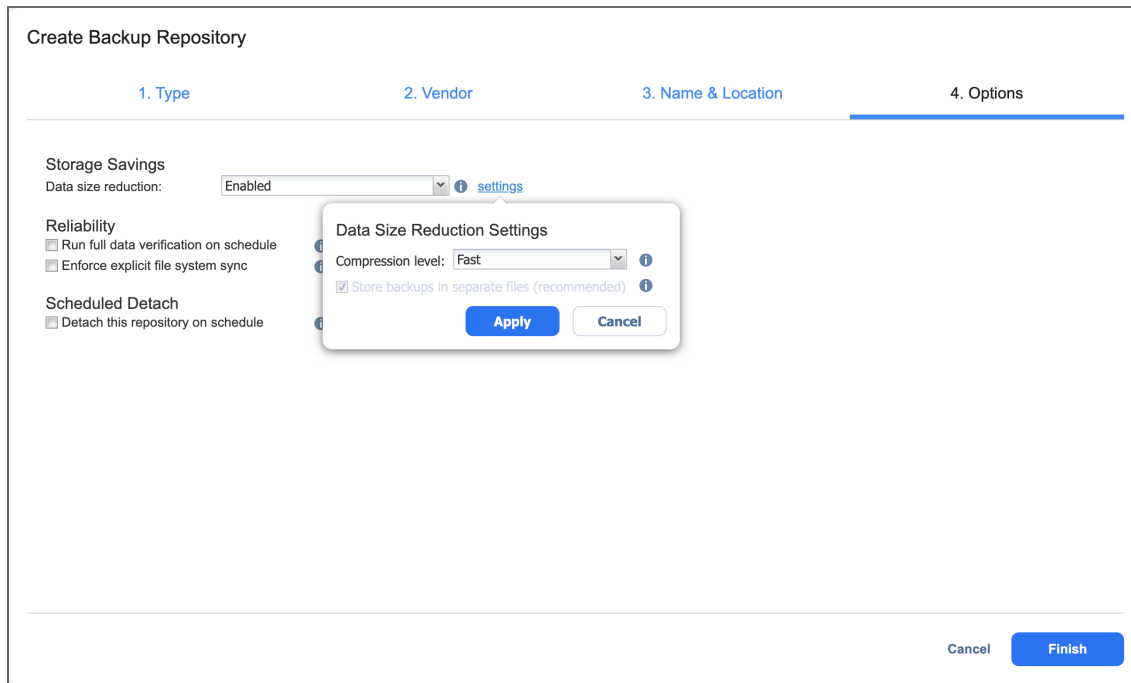
Backup verification is a time-consuming process and utilizes the CPU resources of the **Transporter** assigned to the Backup Repository. It is recommended that you schedule backup verification during non-working hours.

- **Enforce explicit file system sync:** When this option is selected, explicit sync with the file system is enforced during all backup operations to this repository. This setting is considered more reliable but may lead to lower performance on certain storage devices. This option is disabled by default.

4. Schedule detaching of the Backup Repository:

- **Detach this repository on schedule:** Select this option if you want to [detach](#) and then [attach](#) the **Backup Repository** based on a schedule. Detaching a **Backup Repository** saves its data and metadata in a consistent state and then stops the interaction of the product with the **Backup Repository** (so that it can be copied or moved).
- **Delete and re-create the repository on attach:** When this option is selected, all the data in the **Backup Repository** is erased prior to attaching it to the product. As a result, jobs that write to this **Backup Repository** create full backups. You can use this option, for example, to create full daily, weekly, or monthly VM backups and write them to tape or removable media.

5. Click **Finish** to complete Backup **Repository** creation.



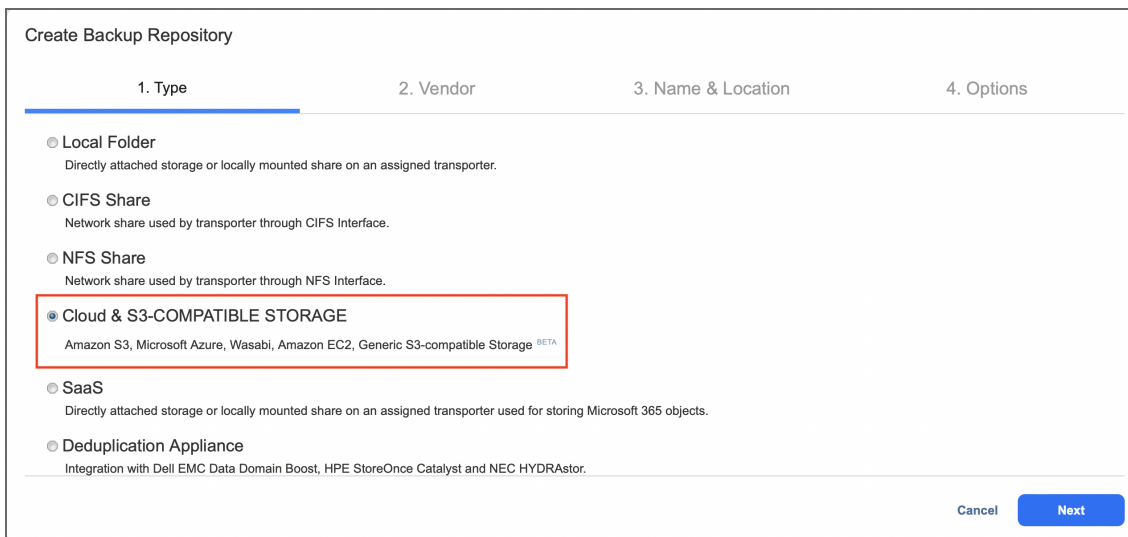
Backup Repository in Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage

To create a **Backup Repository** in Backblaze B2 storage, proceed as described in the following sections:

- [Create Backup Repository: Type](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Vendor](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Name & Location](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Options](#)

Create Backup Repository: Type

On the **Type** page of the **Create Backup Repository** wizard, select **Cloud** and click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.



Create Backup Repository: Vendor

On the **Vendor** page of the wizard, select **Backblaze**. Click **Next** to proceed to the next step.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Backup Repository' wizard at the 'Vendor' step. The progress bar indicates the current step is '2. Vendor', with '1. Type', '3. Name & Location', and '4. Options' as previous, current, and next steps respectively. The 'Backblaze' option is selected and highlighted with a red box. The other options are Amazon S3, Microsoft Azure, Wasabi, Amazon EC2, and Generic S3-Compatible Storage. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor 3. Name & Location 4. Options

- Amazon S3
Highly scalable AWS object storage.
- Microsoft Azure
Microsoft Azure object storage. Both hot and cool storage access tiers are supported.
- Wasabi
Cost effective cloud based object storage.
- Backblaze
Secure and reliable low-cost S3 compatible cloud storage
- Amazon EC2
EBS storage attached to transporter running in Amazon EC2 instance.
- Generic S3-Compatible Storage
Object storage that supports S3 protocol.

Cancel Next

Create Backup Repository: Name & Location

On the **Name & Location** page of the wizard, do the following:

1. Enter the name of the **yBackup Repositor** in the **Name** box.
2. Select the **Transporter** from the **Assigned transporter** drop-down list.
3. Select a Backblaze account from the **Account** drop-down list.
4. In the **Bucket** drop-down list, select the bucket within the chosen storage account where you want to store backups.
5. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Backup Repository' wizard at the 'Name & Location' step. The progress bar indicates the current step is '3. Name & Location', with '1. Type', '2. Vendor', and '4. Options' as previous, current, and next steps respectively. The form fields are: Name (Backblaze Repository), Assigned transporter (Onboard transporter), Account (Backblaze), and Bucket (Technical-writer). There is an 'Add new account' link below the Account field. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Finish' buttons.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Name:

Assigned transporter: ⓘ

Account: ⓘ
[Add new account](#)

Bucket: ⓘ

Cancel Finish

Create Backup Repository: Options

On the **Options** page, do the following:

1. In the **Storage Savings** section, select a compression level for reducing the data size in the **Backup Repository**. Note that higher compression levels consume considerably more CPU and may slow down the backup process. The following options are available:

- **Disabled:** No compression.
- **Fast:** Lowest compression level.
- **Medium:** Medium compression level.
- **Best:** Maximum compression level.

Note

This option cannot be configured after you create the **Backup Repository**.

2. Set up **Reliability & Maintenance** options:

- **Run full data verification on schedule:** When this option is selected, the product runs full verification of all data available in the **Backup Repository** based on the specified schedule. The product reads each block of data and ensures that it is identical to the data block that was read on the source machine during the backup. This way, the product verifies each recovery point in the Backup Repository.

When **Stop backup and recovery to run full data verification** is selected, any running jobs that use this **Backup Repository** are stopped to run scheduled data verification. When this option is not selected, scheduled data verification is skipped if there are running jobs on this **Backup Repository**.

Note

Backup verification is a time-consuming process and utilizes the CPU resources of the **Transporter** assigned to the **Backup Repository**. It is recommended that you schedule backup verification during non-working hours.

- **Enforce explicit file system sync:** When this option is selected, explicit sync with the file system is enforced during all backup operations to this repository. This setting is considered more reliable but may lead to lower performance on certain storage devices. This option is disabled by default.

3. Schedule detaching of the Backup Repository:

- **Detach this repository on schedule:** Select this option if you want to [detach](#) and then [attach](#) the **Backup Repository** based on a schedule. Detaching a **Backup Repository** saves the **Backup Repository** data and metadata in a consistent state and then stops the interaction of the product with the **Backup Repository** (so that the Backup Repository can be copied or moved).

- **Delete and re-create the repository on attach:** When this option is selected, all the data in the **Backup Repository** is erased prior to attaching it to the product. As a result, jobs that write to this **Backup Repository** create full backups. You can use this option, for example, to create full daily, weekly, or monthly VM backups and write them to tape or removable media.

4. Click **Finish** to complete **Backup Repository** creation.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Storage Savings
Data size reduction: Enabled [settings](#)

Reliability
 Run full data verification on schedule
 Enforce explicit file system sync

Scheduled Detach
 Detach this repository on schedule

Data Size Reduction Settings
Compression level: Fast [i](#)
 Store backups in separate files (recommended) [i](#)
[Apply](#) [Cancel](#)

[Cancel](#) [Finish](#)

Backup Repository in Wasabi Hot Cloud Storage

Select the **Wasabi** option if you want to create a **Backup Repository** in Wasabi. Before creating a repository, grant the required Wasabi access permissions to NAKIVO Backup & Replication. For details, refer to [Required AWS IAM Permissions for Amazon S3, Backblaze, and Wasabi](#).

Important

- You may be charged for Wasabi storage/traffic. Refer to [Cloud Storage Pricing](#) for details.
- Forever incremental backups are not supported by this location.

To create a **Backup Repository** in a Wasabi bucket, proceed as described in the following sections:

- [Create Backup Repository: Type](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Vendor](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Name & Location](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Options](#)

Create Backup Repository: Type

On the **Type** page of the **Create Backup Repository** wizard, select **Cloud & S3-compatible Storage** and click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Backup Repository' wizard with four steps: 1. Type, 2. Vendor, 3. Name & Location, and 4. Options. Step 1 is active. The options listed are: Local Folder, CIFS Share, NFS Share, Cloud & S3-COMPATIBLE STORAGE (selected and highlighted with a red box), SaaS, and Deduplication Appliance. The 'Cloud & S3-COMPATIBLE STORAGE' option includes the text: 'Amazon S3, Microsoft Azure, Wasabi, Amazon EC2, Generic S3-compatible Storage ^{BETA}'. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Create Backup Repository: Vendor

On the **Vendor** page of the wizard, select **Wasabi**. Click **Next** to proceed to the next step.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Amazon S3
Highly scalable AWS object storage.

Microsoft Azure
Microsoft Azure object storage. Both hot and cool storage access tiers are supported.

Wasabi
Cost effective cloud based object storage.

Backblaze
Secure and reliable low-cost S3 compatible cloud storage

Amazon EC2
EBS storage attached to transporter running in Amazon EC2 instance.

Generic S3-Compatible Storage
Object storage that supports S3 protocol.

Cancel **Next**

Create Backup Repository: Name & Location

On the **Name & Location** page of the wizard, do the following:

1. Enter the name of the **Backup Repository** in the **Name** box.
2. Select the **Transporter** from the **Assigned transporter** drop-down list.
3. Select a Wasabi account from the **Account** drop-down list.
4. Select the **Wasabi region** connected to the bucket where you want to store your backups.
5. Select the bucket where you want to store your backups from the **Bucket** drop-down list.
6. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Name:

Assigned transporter: ⓘ

Account: ⓘ
[Add new account](#)

Wasabi region: ⓘ

Bucket: ⓘ

Cancel **Next**

Create Backup Repository: Options

On the **Options** page, do the following:

1. In the **Storage Savings** section, select a compression level for reducing the data size in the **Backup Repository**. Note that higher compression levels consume considerably more CPU and may slow down the backup speed. The following options are available:

- **Disabled:** No compression.
- **Fast:** Lowest compression level.
- **Medium:** Medium compression level.
- **Best:** Maximum compression level.

Note

This option cannot be configured after you create the **Backup Repository**.

2. Set up **Reliability & Maintenance** options:

- **Run full data verification on schedule:** When selected, the product runs full verification of all data available in the **Backup Repository** according to the specified schedule. The product reads each block of data and ensures that it is identical to the data block that was read on the source machine during the backup. This way, the product verifies each recovery point in the **Backup Repository**.

When **Stop backup and recovery to run full data verification** is selected, any running jobs that use this **Backup Repository** are stopped to run scheduled data verification. When this option is not selected, scheduled data verification is skipped if there are running jobs on this **Backup Repository**.

Note

Backup verification is a time-consuming process and utilizes the CPU resources of the **Transporter** assigned to the **Backup Repository**. It is recommended that you schedule backup verification during non-working hours.

- **Enforce explicit file system sync:** When selected, explicit sync with the file system is enforced during all backup operations to this repository. This setting is considered more reliable but may lead to lower performance on certain storage devices. By default, the option is disabled.

3. Schedule detaching of the **Backup Repository**:

- **Detach this repository on schedule:** Select this option if you want to [detach](#) and then [attach](#) the **Backup Repository** based on a schedule. Detaching a **Backup Repository** saves its data and metadata in a consistent state and then stops the interaction of the product with the **Backup Repository** (so that it can be copied or moved).

- **Delete and re-create the repository on attach:** When this option is selected, all the data in the **Backup Repository** is erased prior to attaching it to the product. As a result, jobs that write to this **Backup Repository** create full backups. You can use this option, for example, to create full daily, weekly, or monthly VM backups and write them to tape or removable media.

4. Click **Finish** to complete **Backup Repository** creation.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Vendor 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Storage Savings
Data size reduction: Enabled [settings](#)

Reliability
 Run full data verification on schedule
 Enforce explicit file system sync

Scheduled Detach
 Detach this repository on schedule

Data Size Reduction Settings
Compression level: Fast [i](#)
 Store backups in separate files (recommended) [i](#)
[Apply](#) [Cancel](#)

[Cancel](#) [Finish](#)

Backup Repository on Deduplication Appliance

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to use [advanced deduplication appliances](#) for data protection.

Notes

- Before creating a **Backup Repository** on a Dell EMC DD, you need to install BoostFS Plugin and create a storage unit on the data domain backup appliance. Refer to [Integrating with EMC DD Boost](#) for details.
- Before creating a **Backup Repository** on an NEC HYDRAsstor, you need to configure the NEC HYDRAsstor and the machine on which NAKIVO Transporter is installed. Refer to [Integrating with NEC HYDRAsstor](#) for details.
- To create a **Backup Repository** on other deduplication appliances, refer to [“Backup Repository on NFS Share”](#) on page 543.

To create a repository on a deduplication appliance, proceed as described in the following sections:

- [Create Backup Repository: Type](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Device](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Name and Location](#)
- [Create Backup Repository: Options](#)

Create Backup Repository: Type

On the **Type** page of the **Create Backup Repository** wizard, select **Deduplication Appliance** and click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Note

Refer to [“Storage Integration Requirements”](#) on page 138 to see the list of supported advanced deduplication appliances.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Device 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Local Folder
Directly attached storage or locally mounted share on an assigned transporter.

CIFS Share
Network share used by transporter through CIFS interface.

NFS Share
Network share used by transporter through NFS interface.

Cloud & S3-Compatible Storage
Amazon S3, Wasabi, Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage, Microsoft Azure Blob Storage, Amazon EC2, Generic S3-compatible Storage.

SaaS
Directly attached storage or locally mounted share on an assigned transporter used for storing Microsoft 365 objects.

Deduplication Appliance
Integration with Dell EMC Data Domain Boost, HPE StoreOnce Catalyst and NEC HYDRAsstor.

Cancel Next

Create Backup Repository: Device

- On the **Device** page, select one of the devices:
 - Dell EMC Data Domain Boost**
 - HP StoreOnce Catalyst**
 - NEC HYDRAsstor**
- Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Device 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Dell EMC Data Domain Boost
Use NAKIVO Backup & Replication along with the source-side deduplication of Dell/EMC Data Domain Boost.

HPE StoreOnce Catalyst
Use NAKIVO Backup & Replication along with the source-side deduplication of HPE StoreOnce Catalyst.

NEC HYDRAsstor
Use NAKIVO Backup & Replication along with the deduplication of NEC HYDRAsstor.

Cancel Next

Create Backup Repository: Name and Location

On the **Name & Location** page, specify the following:

1. **Name:** Enter a name for the **Backup Repository**.
2. **Assigned transporter:** Choose a **Transporter** that will manage (that is, write data to and read data from) this **Backup Repository**.
3. Depending on the deduplication appliance, provide the following information:
 - **Dell EMC Data Domain Boost**
 1. **Name:** Enter the name of your **Backup Repository**.
 2. **Assigned transporter:** Select the assigned **Transporter**.
 3. **Path to the share:** Enter the path to the share folder in the following format: <backup_appliance>:/<storage_unit>. Refer to [Creating a NAKIVO Backup & Replication Backup Repository on EMC Data Domain Backup Appliance](#) for details.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Device 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Name:

Assigned transporter:

Path to the share:

Cancel Next

- **HPE StoreOnce Catalyst**
 1. **Name:** Enter the name of your **Backup Repository**.
 2. **Assigned transporter:** Select the assigned **Transporter**.
 3. **Connection type:** Select one of the connection types to be used to access the **Backup Repository**:
 - **IP address**
 - **Fibre Channel**
 4. Depending on the connection type, do the following:

- **Server name** (if IP address connection type is selected): Enter the server name or IP address of the HPE StoreOnce Catalyst.
 - **COFC identifier** (if Fibre Channel connection type is selected): Enter the COFC identifier. You can find your COFC identifier by going to **Catalyst Settings>Fibre Channel** in the **StoreOnce Management Console**.
5. **Catalyst store name:** Enter the Catalyst store name.
 6. **Username:** Provide the username to the Catalyst store.
 7. **Password:** Provide the password to the Catalyst store.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type
2. Device
3. Name & Location
4. Options

Name:

Assigned transporter: ⓘ

Connection type: ⓘ

Server name: ⓘ

Catalyst store name: ⓘ

Username: ⓘ

Password:

Cancel Next

- **NEC HYDRAsstor**

1. **Name:** Enter the name of your **Backup Repository**.
2. **Assigned transporter:** Select the assigned **Transporter**.
3. **Path to the mount point:** Enter the path to the mount point in the following

format: /opt/nakivo/repository/hsva.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Device 3. Name & Location 4. Options

Name: HYDRAstor

Assigned transporter: Onboard transporter

Path to the mount point: /opt/nakivo/repository/hydra

Cancel Next

4. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Create Backup Repository: Options

On the **Options** page, do the following:

1. Set up *Storage Savings & Encryption* options:

- **Data size reduction:** If this option is enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication enables the use of data size reduction for this repository to save disk space. Note that this may put additional load on the CPU. Disabling data size reduction is required if the target is a deduplication storage appliance. Click **settings** to configure the settings. A popup window appears. Set the following:
 - **Compression:** Select a compression level that will be used to reduce the data size in the **Backup Repository**. Note that higher compression levels consume considerably more CPU and may slow down VM backup speed. The following options are available:
 - **Disabled:** The data in the **Backup Repository** will not be compressed.
 - **Fast:** Lowest compression level.
 - **Medium:** Medium compression level.
 - **Best:** Maximum compression level.

Note

This option cannot be configured after creating the **Backup Repository**.

- **Store backups in separate files:** Select this option to enable this backup repository to store data of every machine in separate backup files. Enabling this option is highly recommended to ensure higher reliability and performance. Leave this option unchecked if you wish to enable deduplication on a given backup repository.
- **Deduplication:** Select this option to enable the backup deduplication method to reduce the backup size by excluding duplicate data blocks from the backup.

Note

This option is not available if the Store backups in separate files checkbox has been selected.

- **Encryption:** This option is available only if the **Backup Repository** is created locally on the machine on which the Assigned **Transporter** is installed, and the machine is running a Linux OS. Select **Enabled** from the drop-down list and specify an encryption password. (The password will be required for importing the **Backup Repository** into a new instance of the product.) The product will encrypt the repository destination (using `ecryptfs` for folders and `cryptsetup (crypt-md)` in LUKS mode for devices/partitions) prior to creating the **Backup Repository**.

Note

- *Storage Savings and Encryption* settings are locked to the recommended settings.
- To avoid `ecryptfs` errors, make sure that there are no other folders and files except the NakivoBackup folder in the repository location.
- **Backup Repository** encryption can significantly influence backup speed.

2. Set up *Reliability & Maintenance* options:

- **Enable automatic repository self-healing:** Leave this option selected to automatically trigger repository self-healing in case the product detects symptoms of problems in the backup infrastructure such as incorrect timestamps on metadata and data files. You can deselect this option and [run self-healing manually](#).
- **Run repository self-healing on schedule:** If required, select this checkbox to run repository self-healing on schedule. You can configure the schedule by clicking the **schedule** link when the option is selected. The default schedule is set to run every day at 11 AM. If **Stop backup and recovery to run self-healing** is selected, any jobs or recoveries which use this repository will be stopped to run scheduled self-healing. Otherwise, scheduled self-healing will be skipped in case there are running jobs or recoveries on this repository.

- **Run full data verification on schedule:** If selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will run full verification of all data available in the **Backup Repository** on the specified schedule. The product will read each block of data and ensure that it is identical to the data block that was read on the source VM during the backup. This way, the product will verify each recovery points in the **Backup Repository**.

If **Stop backup and recovery to run backup verification** is selected, any running jobs which use this **Backup Repository** will be stopped to run scheduled data verification. Otherwise, scheduled data verification will be skipped in case there are running jobs on this **Backup Repository**.

Note

Backup verification is a time-consuming process and consumes CPU of the **Transporter** assigned to the **Backup Repository**. It is recommended that you schedule backup verification during non-working hours.

- **Enforce explicit file system sync:** When selected, explicit sync with the file system is enforced during all backup operations to this repository. This setting is considered more reliable but may lead to lower performance on certain storage devices. By default, the option is disabled.

4. Schedule detaching of the **Backup Repository**:

- **Detach this repository on schedule:** Select this option if you want to [detach](#) and then [attach](#) the **Backup Repository** on a schedule. Detaching a **Backup Repository** saves its data and metadata in a consistent state and then stops the product's interaction with the **Backup Repository** (so that it can be copied or moved). You can use this feature, for example, for the disk-to-disk-to-tape (D2D2T) data protection approach, in which backups are stored on a disk for fast operational recovery, and copied to a tape (while the repository is detached) for archiving and long-term storage.
- **Delete and re-create the repository on attach:** If this option is selected, all data in the **Backup Repository** will be erased prior to attaching it to the product. As a result, jobs that write to this **Backup Repository** will create full VM backups. You can use this option, for example, to create full daily, weekly, or monthly VM backups and write them to tape or removable media.

5. Click **Finish** to finish creating the **Backup Repository**.

Create Backup Repository

1. Type 2. Device 3. Name & Location **4. Options**

Your backup location is a deduplication appliance so recommended settings are applied.

Storage Savings & Encryption

Data size reduction: Disabled ⓘ

Encryption: Disabled ⓘ

Reliability & Maintenance

Enable automatic repository self-healing ⓘ

Run repository self-healing on schedule ⓘ

Run full data verification on schedule ⓘ

Enforce explicit file system sync ⓘ

Scheduled Detach

Detach this repository on schedule ⓘ

Cancel **Finish**

Managing Backup Repositories

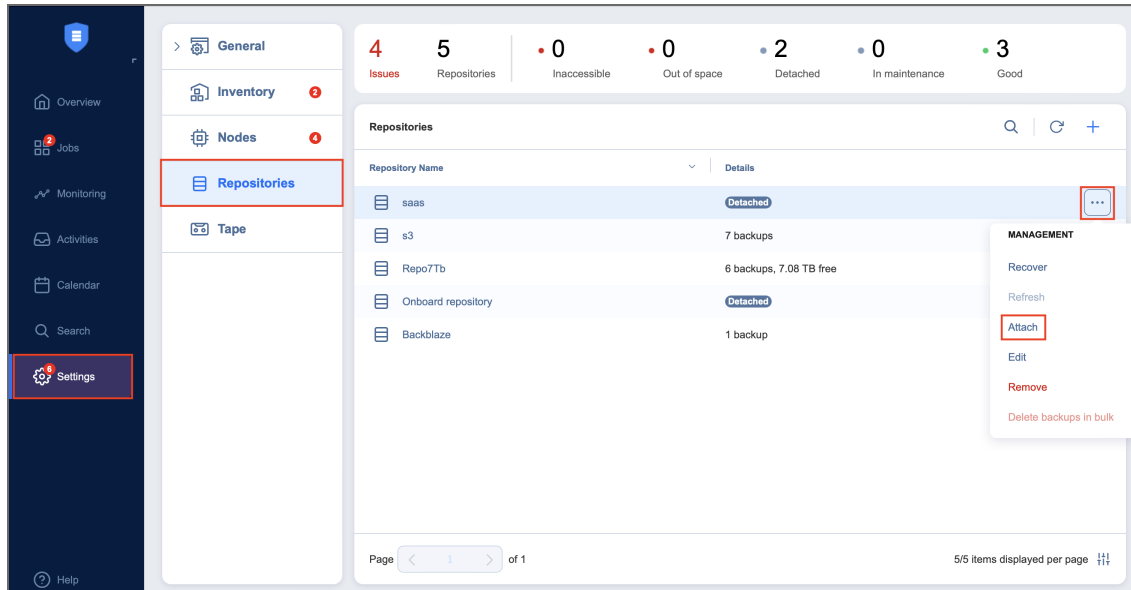
Refer to the following topics:

- [“Attaching Backup Repositories” on page 582](#)
- [“Detaching Backup Repositories” on page 583](#)
- [“Editing Backup Repositories” on page 584](#)
- [“How to Copy Backup Repository to Tape” on page 585](#)
- [“Reclaiming Backup Repository Space” on page 586](#)
- [“Refreshing Backup Repositories” on page 589](#)
- [“Removing and Deleting Backup Repositories” on page 591](#)
- [“Repairing Backup Repository” on page 593](#)
- [“Running Backup Repository Self-Healing” on page 596](#)
- [“Running Block-Level Backup Verification” on page 598](#)

Attaching Backup Repositories

If you have **detached** a **Backup Repository**, you can reattach it to the product by following the steps below:

1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and hover over a **Backup Repository**.
3. On the right side, click **...** and then click **Attach**.



The **Backup Repository** is reattached to NAKIVO Backup & Replication. You can now back up to the attached **Backup Repository**.

Detaching Backup Repositories

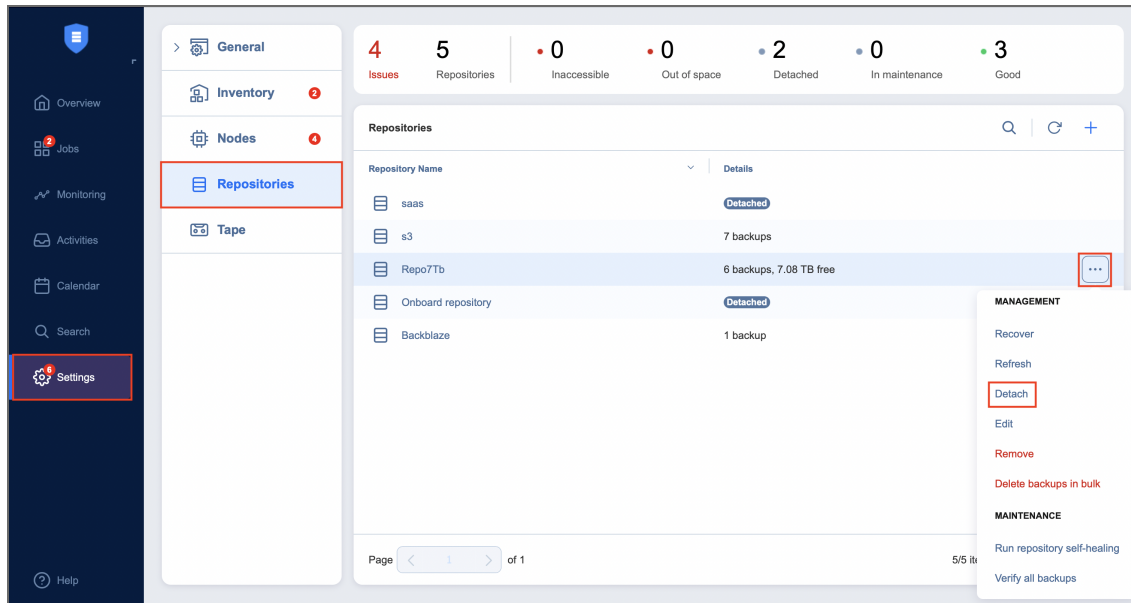
Detaching a **Backup Repository** saves its data and metadata in a consistent state and stops the product's interaction with the repository (e.g. reading and writing of data or metadata). You may want to detach a **Backup Repository** in order to move it to a different location or to put the associated storage in maintenance.

Note

As the product does not interact with detached repositories, jobs with detached **Backup Repositories** as target storage will fail.

To detach a **Backup Repository**, follow the steps below:

1. From the main menu, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and hover over a **Backup Repository**.
3. On the right side, click **...** and then click **Detach**.



Note

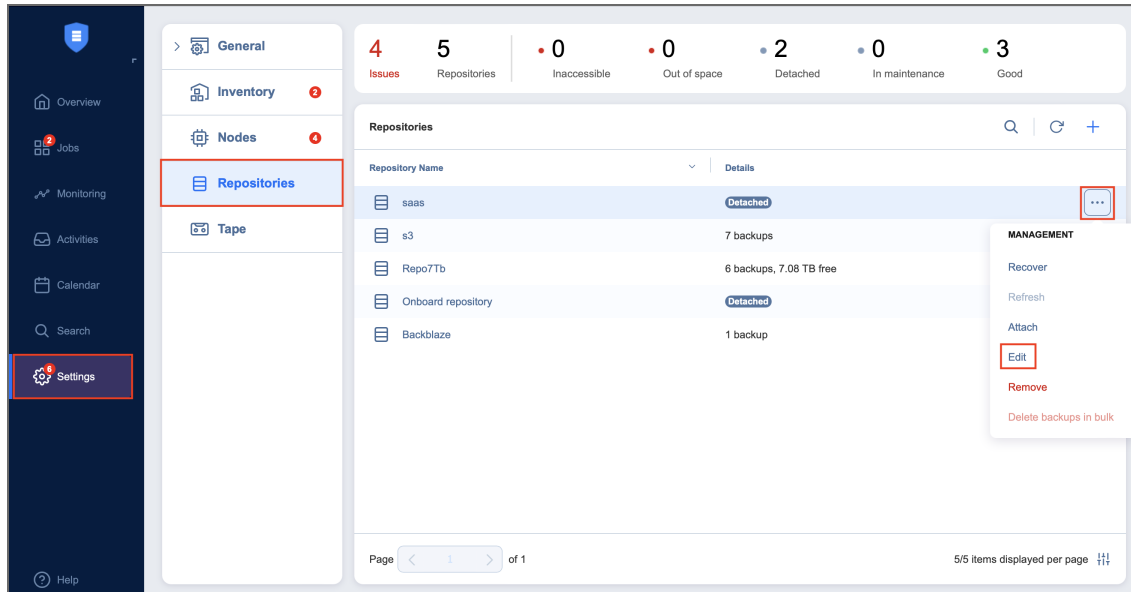
A **Backup Repository** cannot be detached if a job that backs up to this **Backup Repository** is running.

The **Backup Repository** is detached from the product. You can [reattach](#) the **Backup Repository** to NAKIVO Backup & Replication when needed.

Editing Backup Repositories

To modify the settings of an existing **Backup Repository**, follow the steps below:

1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and hover over a **Backup Repository**.
3. On the right side, click **•••** and then click **Edit**.



Note

A **Backup Repository** cannot be edited while a job that backs up to this **Backup Repository** is running.

4. Update the fields as necessary.
5. Click **Apply**. Changes you have made are applied and the **Backup Repository** update starts.

How to Copy Backup Repository to Tape

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you are able to use a disk-to-disk-to-tape (D2D2T) data protection approach. This approach allows to store backups on a disk for fast operational recovery and copy them to a tape for archival and long-term storage. To achieve this, you need to take these steps:

1. [Create a Backup Repository](#) on a disk or use the Onboard **Backup Repository** created with the product installation.

Note

By default, the Onboard **Backup Repository** stores backups in incremental and full backup files (**Store backups in separate files** option is enabled). If you want to store only incremental backups, you should create a new backup repository and configure it as forever incremental. This can be done by deselecting the **Store backups in separate files** option on the **Options** page of the **Create Backup Repository** wizard.

2. [Create](#) and run VM backup jobs to the **Backup Repository**.
3. After all backup jobs are complete, do either of the following:
 - Manually [detach](#) the **Backup Repository** to ensure its data is consistent.
 - Enable scheduled repository detach/attach in repository settings.
4. Copy the entire folder with the **Backup Repository** to a tape.

Note

To automate the folder copy process, you can use [post-job scripts](#) or 3rd-party utilities.

Reclaiming Backup Repository Space

When a backup or recovery point is deleted in a **Backup Repository**, the space occupied by that backup or recovery point is marked as “free” and can be reused by new data blocks on the next job runs. However, the actual size of the **Backup Repository** may not change. The size of a **Backup Repository** can be reduced by rearranging the data blocks so there are no “free” ones occupying storage space. The amount of space that can be freed up is displayed in parentheses after the amount of used space. This is applicable if the repository type is **Forever-incremental**. Otherwise, if the repository type is **Incremental with full backups**, space reclaiming is not required. It is enough to delete the backups or recovery points to free up space and continue backing up to the repository.

For the incremental with full backup **Backup Repository** type, it is technically impossible to remove recovery points if there is no full backup after them. Make a full backup before deleting older recovery points.

Reclaiming free space can take the same amount of time as copying the entire **Backup Repository** to the storage where it is located (that is, if your repository size is 500 GB, reclaiming free space can take the same amount of time as copying 500GB of data to the storage where the **Backup Repository** is located).

Refer to the following topic to learn how to start and stop the reclaiming process:

- [Starting the Space Reclaiming Process](#)
- [Stopping the Space Reclaiming Process](#)

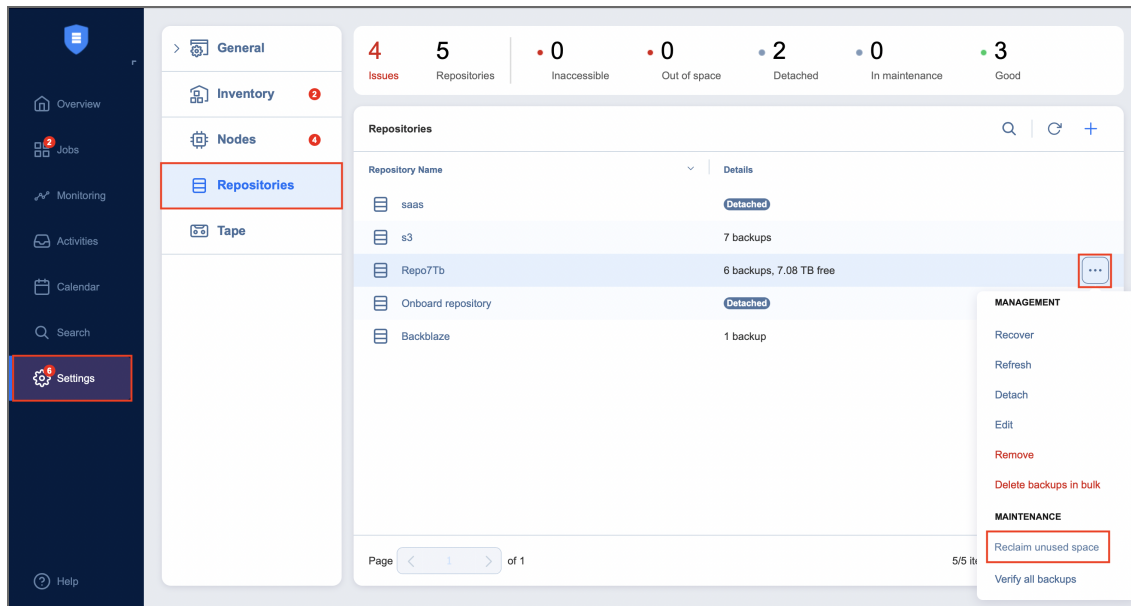
Starting the Space Reclaiming Process

Important

Space reclaim requires at least 500 MB of free space on the repository storage in order to start.

To reclaim free space, follow the steps below:

1. Go to the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication and click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and choose a **Backup Repository**.
3. In the title of the **Backup Repository**, click ●●● and then click **Reclaim unused space**.



The space reclaiming process cannot be started if a job that backs up to this **Backup Repository** is concurrently running.

4. In the dialog box that opens, leave the **Interrupt space reclaim task if backup or recovery is started** option selected to pause the space reclaiming process when a backup or recovery is started. The space reclaiming process will be resumed once the backup or recovery job is completed. If you deselect the option, backup jobs will fail and recovery jobs will not start until the space reclaim process is completed.
5. Click **Start**. The process of rearranging data blocks is started, and progress is displayed in the title of the **Backup Repository**.

Stopping the Space Reclaiming Process

You can stop the space reclaim process at any time (for example to run a recovery job, move your **Backup Repository** to a new location, or put your backup storage on maintenance).

Before the space reclaiming process begins, the **Backup Repository** is detached from the product to keep data in a consistent state. The space reclaiming process stops if job that backs up VMs to such a **Backup Repository** is started and resumes after it is finished.

To stop the space reclaim process, follow the steps below:

1. Go to the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication and click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and choose a **Backup Repository**.

3. In the title of the **Backup Repository**, click **⋮** and then click **Stop space reclaim**.

The screenshot displays the Backup Repository management interface. On the left is a dark sidebar with navigation items: Overview, Jobs, Monitoring, Activities, Calendar, Search, Settings (highlighted with a red box), and Help. The main content area has a top navigation bar with 'General', 'Inventory', 'Nodes', and 'Tape' tabs. Below this is a summary bar showing 4 Issues, 5 Repositories, 0 Inaccessible, 0 Out of space, 2 Detached, 0 In maintenance, and 3 Good. The 'Repositories' section contains a table with the following data:

Repository Name	Details
saas	Detached
s3	7 backups
Repo7Tb	6 backups, 7.08 TB free
Onboard repository	Detached
Backblaze	1 backup

The 'Repo7Tb' row is selected and has a context menu open. The menu includes 'MANAGEMENT' options: Recover, Refresh, Detach, Edit, Remove, and 'Delete backups in bulk'. It also includes 'MAINTENANCE' options: 'Stop space reclaim' (highlighted with a red box) and 'Verify all backups'. The bottom of the interface shows 'Page 1 of 1' and '5/5 items'.

Refreshing Backup Repositories

By default, NAKIVO Backup & Replication refreshes **Backup Repository** information hourly. During the refreshing process, the product collects all required information about **Backup Repositories**, such as the amount of free space, number of backups, and number of recovery points.

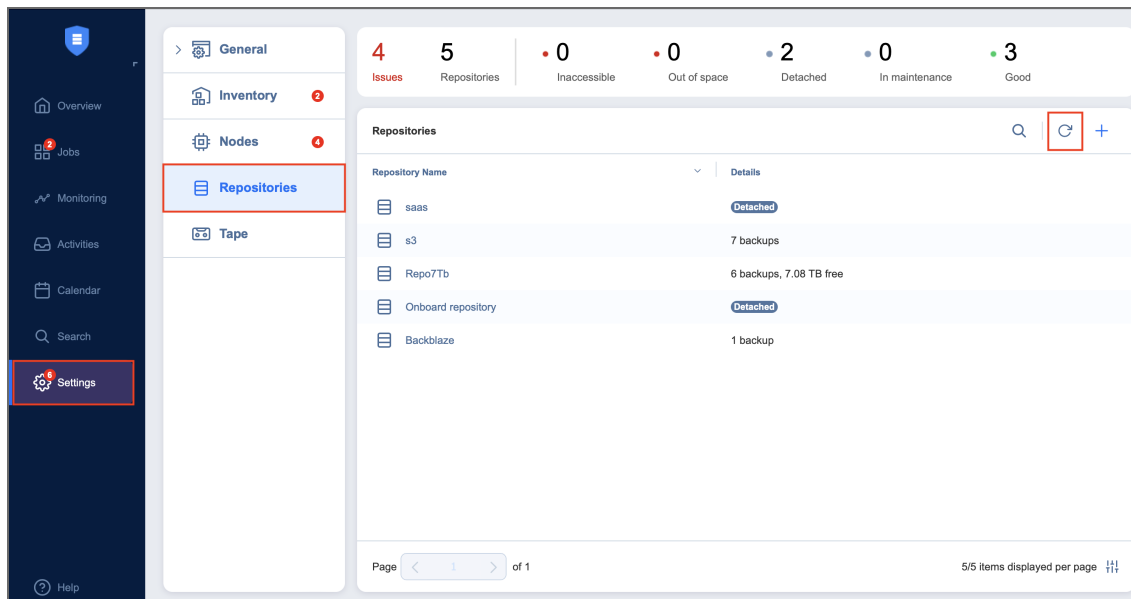
Only one **Backup Repository** is refreshed at a time. Therefore, if you attempt to refresh multiple **Backup Repositories**, all but one will be added to a queue.

- [Refreshing All Backup Repositories](#)
- [Refreshing a Single Backup Repository](#)

Refreshing All Backup Repositories

To refresh all backup repositories, follow the steps below:

1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab.
3. Click the **Refresh All** button.



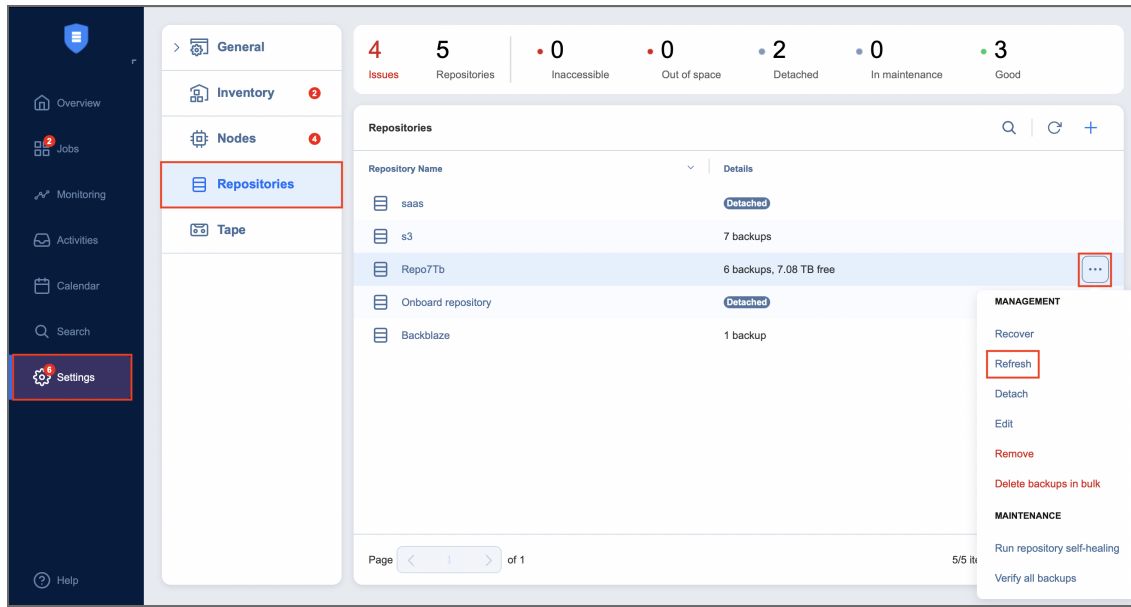
The **Backup Repository** refresh process begins.

Refreshing a Single Backup Repository

To refresh a single **Backup Repository**, follow the steps below:

1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab.
3. Hover over the **Backup Repository** that you wish to refresh and click **...**.

4. Click **Refresh**.



The **Backup Repository** refresh begins.

Removing and Deleting Backup Repositories

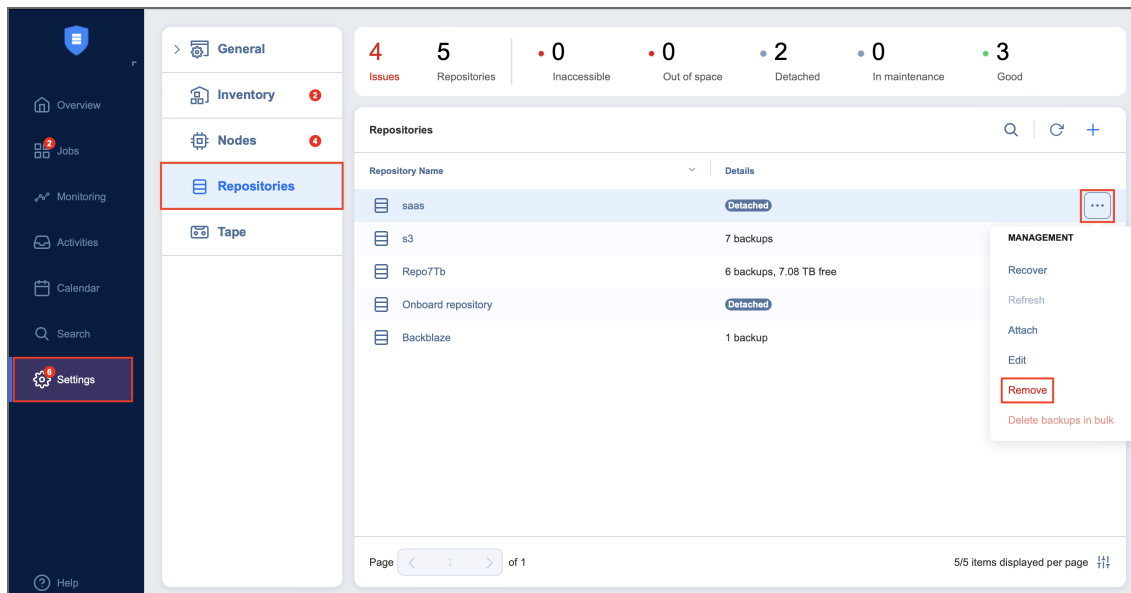
In NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can either permanently delete a **Backup Repository** and all of its data or remove only the **Backup Repository** from the product while maintaining all of its data. After removing a **Backup Repository** you will be able to import it into the same or a new instance of the product.

Note

You will not be able to remove a **Backup Repository** if there is a job that backs up to this **Backup Repository**. To remove such a **Backup Repository**, delete (or edit) the corresponding jobs so no items are backed up to the aforementioned repository.

To permanently delete or remove a **Backup Repository** from the product, follow the steps below:

1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab.
3. Hover over a **Backup Repository**.
4. On the right side, click **Manage** and then click **Remove**.



5. Do the following when the confirmation message appears:
 - To remove the **Backup Repository** from NAKIVO Backup & Replication and keep the **Backup Repository** on a disk, select **Remove repository and keep backups**.

Note

You can [import](#) the removed **Backup Repository** back to the same instance or to a new installation.

- To permanently delete the **Backup Repository** and all its data, select **Remove repository and delete backups**.

Note

This operation will permanently delete the **Backup Repository** and all its backups.

Repairing Backup Repository

In case an immutable backup or the **Backup Repository** itself is corrupted, it is possible to initiate a repair process. During this process, NAKIVO Backup & Replication attempts to revert the **Backup Repository** or a specific backup to its uncorrupted state.

Refer to the following topics:

- [Running the Repair Process for a Backup Repository](#)
- [Running the Repair Process for a Specific Backup Object](#)

Running the Repair Process for a Backup Repository

To run repair for a **Backup Repository**, do the following:

1. Go to **Settings > Repositories** and hover over the name of the **Backup Repository**.
2. Click **•••** and select **Repair**. Alternatively, you can click on the name of the **Backup Repository** and then go to **Manage > Repair** to start the repair process.

Note

The **Repair** option is only available in the following cases:

- Non-immutable recovery points have been removed from the **Backup Repository** of the **Local folder** or **Amazon S3** type.
- The local **Backup Repository** is inaccessible and meets the conditions specified in the [feature requirements](#) section.
- A **forever incremental** repository becomes corrupted due to space reclaim interruption. This may occur as a result of rebooting the transporter assigned to the repository or disconnecting storage while space reclaim is in progress.

3. Select the desired options from the following:
 - **Overwrite repository metadata:** When this option is selected, the metadata file is overwritten even if it is present and valid. If the metadata file is not present, the new file is then created regardless of whether this option is selected or not.
 - **Overwrite backup objects:** When this option is selected, the locked backup objects are overwritten with the immutable data during the repair process.

- **Verify backup objects:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication runs verification of the backup object after the repair process is completed. When this option is not selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication runs automatic self-healing after the repair process is completed.

Repair Repository

Please select repair options for the ransomware-proof local repository.
If no options are selected, corrupted repository metadata will be overwritten.

Overwrite repository metadata i

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Verify backup objects i

[Learn more](#) **Repair**

Note
When initiating a repair for a **Forever Incremental** repository that has become corrupted as a result of space reclaim interruption, the following dialog will appear instead.

Repair Repository

The repository has become corrupted as the result of space-reclaim interruption. Click Repair to try to repair the repository to an uncorrupted state. New jobs will not start while the repair is running.

Do not reboot/disconnect the "10.30.31.32" transporter and storage device while the repair is in progress.

[Learn more](#) **Repair**

4. Click **Repair** to begin the repair process.

Running the Repair Process for a Specific Backup Object

To run a repair for a specific backup object located in a **Local Folder** or **Amazon S3** type of **Backup Repository**, do the following:

1. Go to **Settings > Repositories** and can click on the name of the **Backup Repository**. Hover over the name of the backup and click **Repair** to start the repair process. Alternatively, you can click on the name of the backup and then click **Repair**.

Name	Job	Size	
24	Nutanix AHV backup job	5.7 GB	
AD-Exchange2019_ping1	VMware backup job	Inaccessible	
AD-Exchange2019_ping1	Backup copy job 123	Inaccessible	
All2016	VMware backup job	20.6 GB	Recover Verify Repair Delete

Note

You can also perform the **Repair** process for a backup object when all files except immutable files were manually deleted from the **Backup Repository**. The **Repair** option is only available in the following cases:

- The **Backup Repository** is inaccessible, was created in Amazon S3, and has **Object Lock** enabled.
- The local **Backup Repository** is inaccessible and meets the conditions specified in the [feature requirements](#) section.

2. Optionally, select the **Verify backup object** option. When you select this option, NAKIVO Backup & Replication runs verification on the backup object after the repair process has completed. In case **Verify backup object** is not selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication runs automatic self-healing after the repair process is finished.

Repair Backup Object

Clicking Repair will overwrite the backup object and repair only the immutable data.

Verify backup object ?

[Learn more](#) Repair

3. Click **Repair** to begin the repair process.

Running Backup Repository Self-Healing

The self-healing process verifies **Backup Repository** integrity and automatically repairs errors wherever possible. Namely, the process performs the following tasks:

- Verifies that the data blocks of each recovery point are present in the **Backup Repository**.
- Cleans up “in progress” blocks of data from failed/crashed backup job runs that did not have a proper cleanup.
- Verifies and repairs Backup Repository metadata so that it correctly describes available data.
- Restores the consistent state of the **Backup Repository** to enable subsequent backup jobs.

Before the self-healing process begins, the **Backup Repository** is detached from the product to keep data in a consistent state. Jobs that back up VMs to such **Backup Repository** will fail while the self-healing process is in progress.

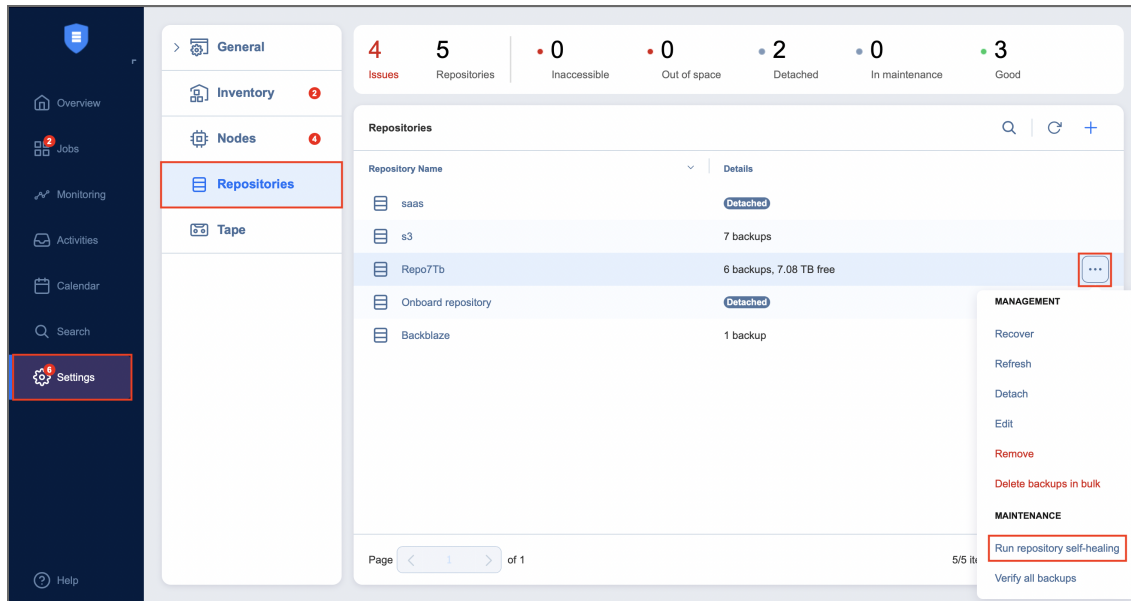
Refer to the following topics to learn more:

- [“Starting the Self-Healing Process” below](#)
- [“Stopping the Self-Healing Process” on the next page](#)

Starting the Self-Healing Process

To run the **Backup Repository** self-healing, follow the steps below:

1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and hover over a **Backup Repository**.
3. On the right side, click **⋮** and then click **Run repository self-healing**.



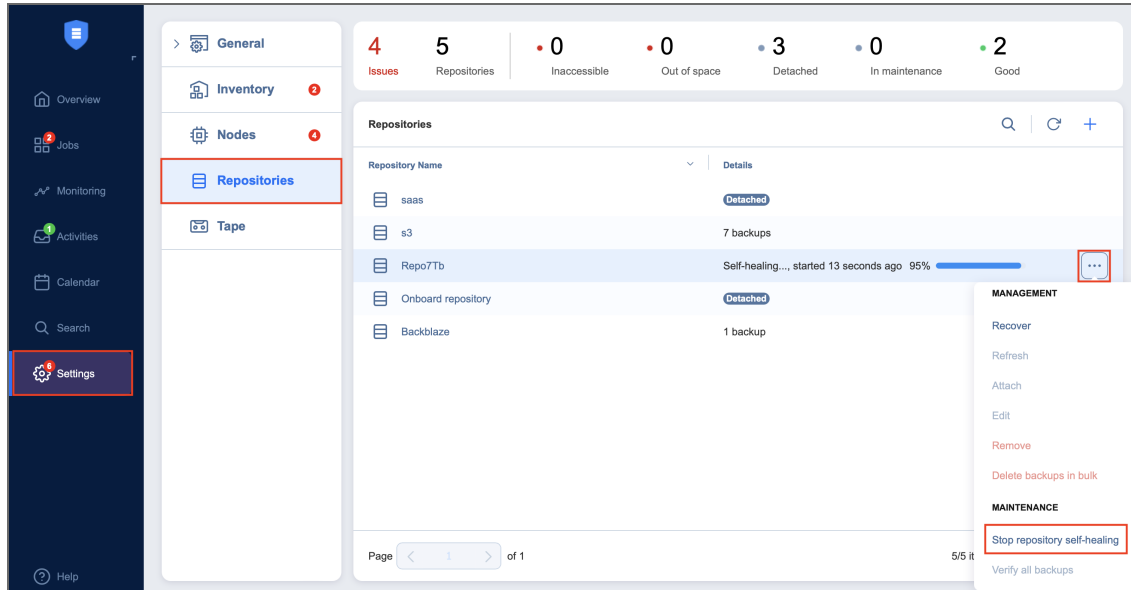
4. In the dialog box that appears, click **Start**. The self-healing process begins.

Stopping the Self-Healing Process

You can stop the self-healing process at any time (for example, to run a recovery job, move your **Backup Repository** to a new location, or put your backup storage on maintenance).

To stop the self-healing process, follow the steps below:

1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and hover over a **Backup Repository**.
3. On the right side, click **Manage** and then click **Stop repository self-healing**. The self-healing process stops.



Running Block-Level Backup Verification

Block-level backup verification reads each block of data in a **Backup Repository**, makes a hash of each data block, and then compares the newly created hashes to the originals that were created during the backup process. If the hashes match, this means that the data blocks in the **Backup Repository** are identical to the data blocks that were read on the source machines. This way, NAKIVO Backup & Replication verifies that backups are good and recoverable.

Refer to the following topics to learn more:

- [“Verifying Backups” below](#)
 - [“Verifying All VM Backups” below](#)
 - [“Verifying a Single Backup” on the next page](#)
- [“Stopping the Backup Verification Process” on the next page](#)
 - [“Stopping Backup Verification for a Backup Repository” on page 600](#)
 - [“Stopping Backup Verification for a Single Backup” on page 600](#)

Verifying Backups

Note

Before backup verification begins, the **Backup Repository** is detached from the product to keep data in a consistent state. Backup jobs that write data to such a **Backup Repository** will fail while the backup verification process is in progress.

Verifying All VM Backups

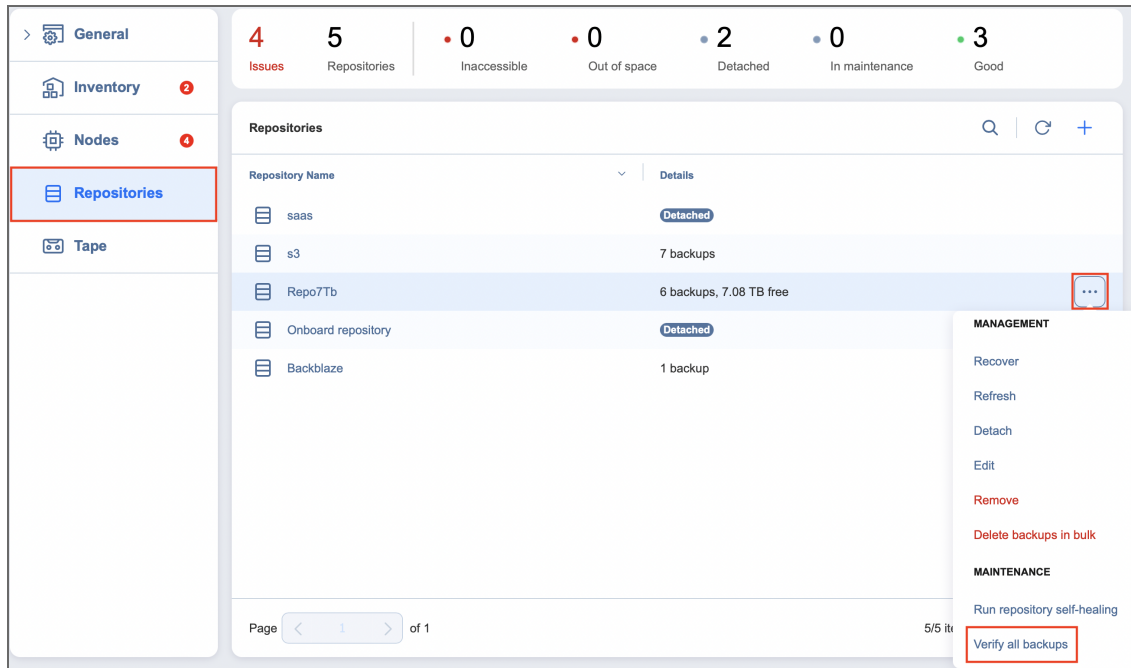
To verify all VM backups in a repository, follow the steps below:

1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and hover over a **Backup Repository**.
3. **On the right side, click Manage and then click Verify all backups.**

Note

The backup verification process cannot be started if a job that backs up to this **Backup Repository** is running.

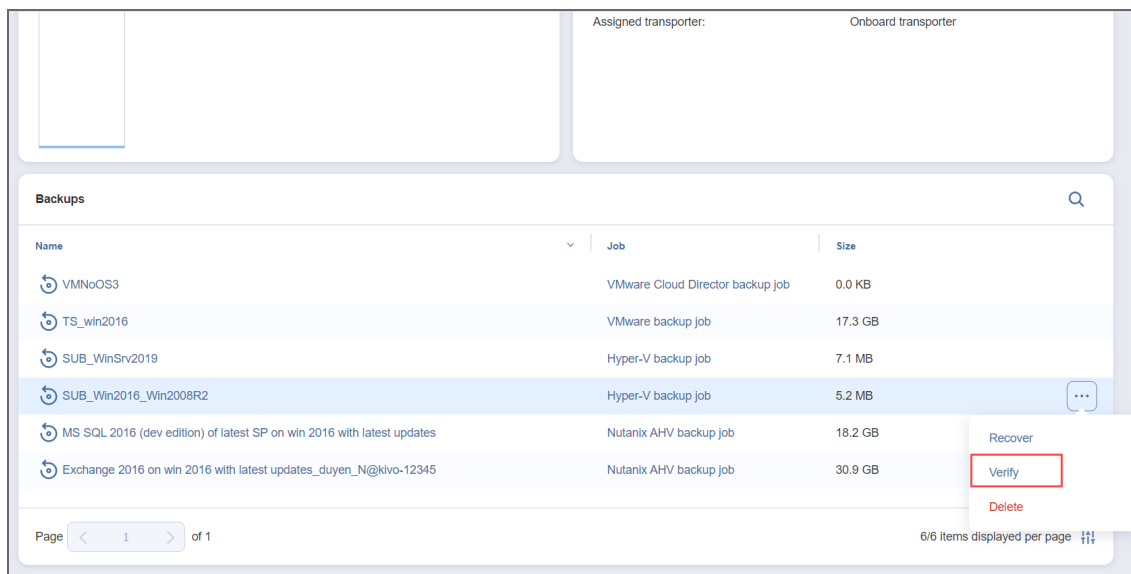
In the dialog box that opens, click **Start**. The backup verification process is started.



Verifying a Single Backup

To verify a single backup in a repository, follow the steps below:

1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and click a **Backup Repository** to expand it.
3. Hover over the desired backup, click on the "... " button, and then select **Verify**.



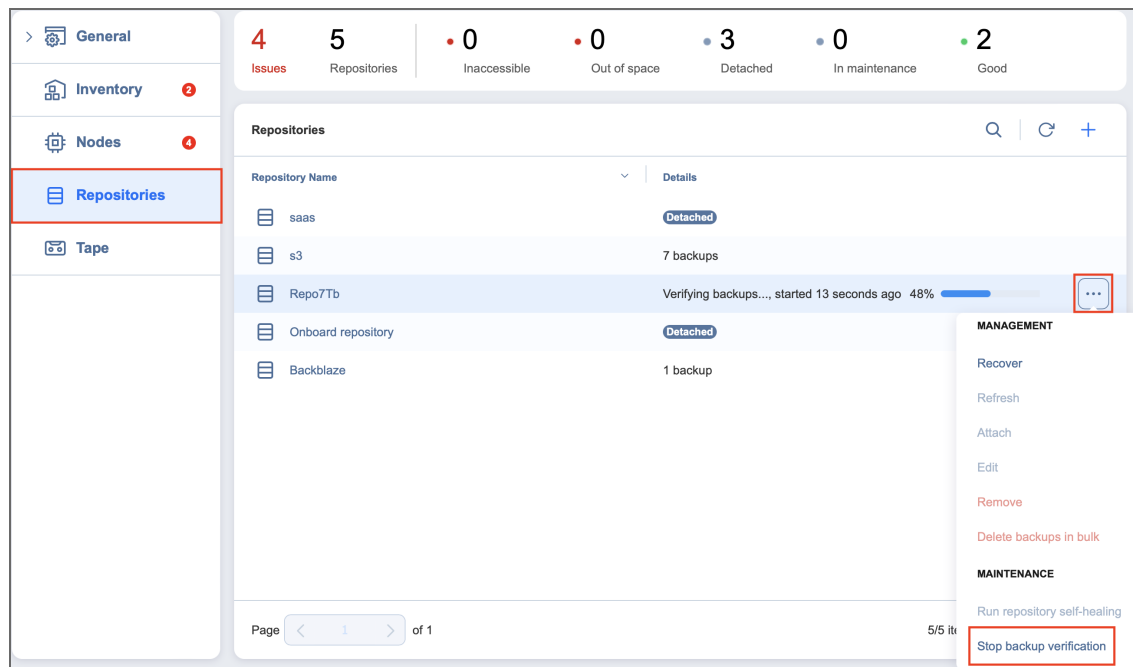
Stopping the Backup Verification Process

You can stop the backup verification process at any time (for example, to run a recovery job, move your **Backup Repository** to a new location, or put your backup storage on maintenance).

Stopping Backup Verification for a Backup Repository

To stop the backup verification process for a **Backup Repository**, follow the steps below:

1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and hover over a **Backup Repository**.
3. On the right side, click **Manage** and then click **Stop backup verification**. The backup verification process is stopped.

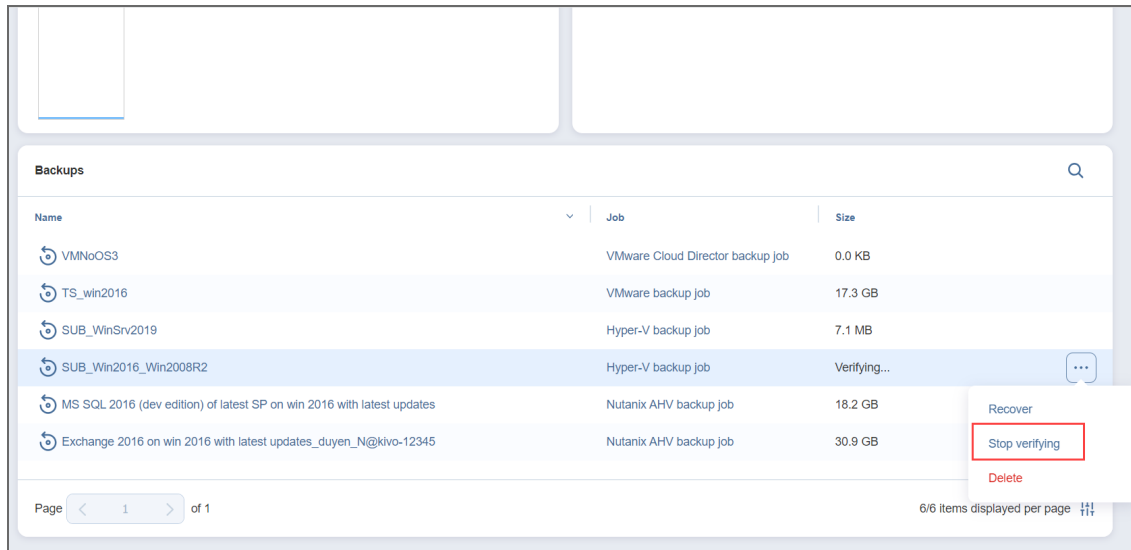


Stopping Backup Verification for a Single Backup

To stop the backup verification process for a backup, follow the steps below:

1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and click a **Backup Repository** to expand it.

3. Hover over the desired backup, click on the "... " button, and then select **Stop verifying**.

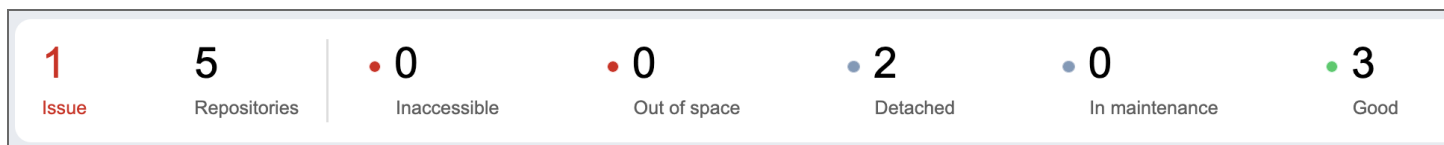


For near-instant backup verification, refer to the [“VM Verification” on page 57](#) feature.

Viewing Backup Repository Details

The **Repositories** tab contains a **Summary** bar, which offers an overview of all backup repositories. The data displayed is as follows:

- **Issues:** Total number of issues/alarms related to repositories
- **Repositories:** Total number of repositories
- **Inaccessible:** Total number of inaccessible repositories
- **Out of Space:** Total number of repositories that are out of storage space
- **Detached:** Total number of detached repositories
- **In Maintenance:** Total number of repositories in maintenance
- **Good:** Total number of usable repositories



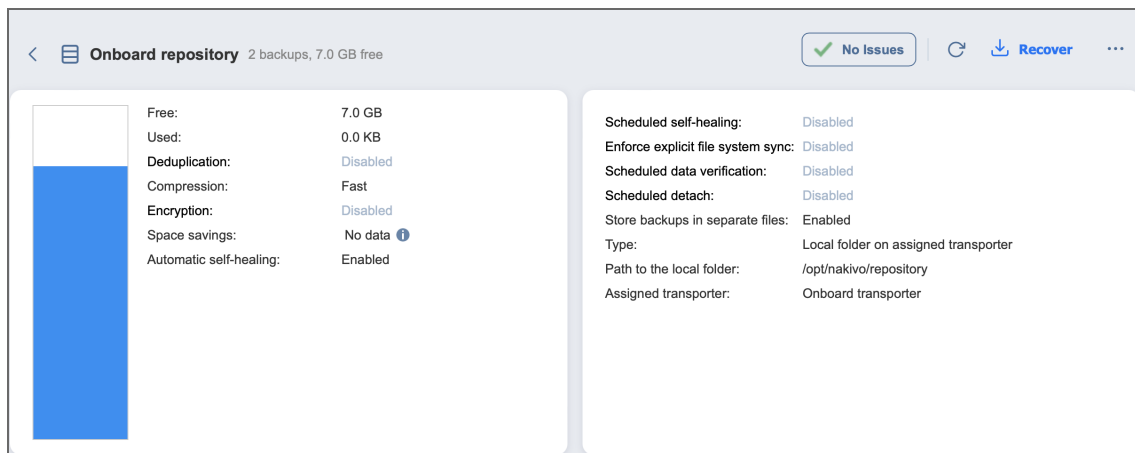
To see information about specific repositories, backups, and recovery points, see the sections below.

Viewing Backup Repository Details

To view the **Backup Repository** details, follow the steps below:

1. Go to the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication and click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab.
3. Click a **Backup Repository**.
4. The following data is displayed:
 - **Free:** The amount of free space available for the **Backup Repository**
 - **Used:** The amount of space that the **Backup Repository** occupies on a disk. The amount of space that can be reclaimed is displayed in parentheses.
 - **Deduplication:** The status of deduplication in the **Backup Repository**
 - **Compression:** The compression level specified for the **Backup Repository**
 - **Encryption:** The status of encryption in the **Backup Repository**
 - **Space savings:** The estimated percentage and amount of space saved by compression and deduplication. For example, if 200 GB of data were backed up and the size of the backup was reduced to 50 GB, the ratio is calculated as 75%.
 - **Automatic self-healing:** The state of the automatic self-healing option for the **Backup Repository**
 - **Scheduled self-healing:** The state of the scheduled self-healing option for the **Backup Repository**
 - **Enforce explicit file system sync:** The state of the enforce explicit file system sync option for the **Backup Repository**

- **Scheduled data verification:** The state of the scheduled data verification option for the **Backup Repository**
- **Scheduled space reclaiming:** The state of the scheduled space reclaiming option for the **Backup Repository**
- **Scheduled detach:** The state of the scheduled detach option for the **Backup Repository**
- **Store backups in separate files:** The behavior of the **Backup Repository** on backup data storage
- **Type:** The location of the **Backup Repository**, which can be one of the following:
 - **Local folder on assigned Transporter**
 - **Remote CIFS Share**
 - **Remote NFS Share**
 - **Amazon EC2**
 - **Microsoft 365**
 - **Microsoft Azure Blob Storage**
 - **Amazon S3**
 - **Generic S3-Compatible Storage**
 - **Wasabi**
 - **Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage**
 - **Deduplication Appliance**
- **Path to the folder:** The path to the **Backup Repository** folder
- **Assigned transporter:** The **Transporter** that manages the **Backup Repository** (that is, the **Transporter** that reads data from and writes data to the **Backup Repository**)
- **Backups:** List of available backups in the **Backup Repository**



Viewing Backup Details

Below, you can view the details of the backups stored in the **Backup Repository**. The following information is displayed:

- **Name:** Name of the backup
- **Job:** The job type that created this backup
- **Size:** The total size of the backup

Large numbers of backups are separated into pages to reduce clutter. To find a specific backup, you can scroll through the pages manually or simply look it up via the **Search** bar. Hover over the name of a backup and click the ellipsis **Manage** button on the right side to select one of the following options:

- **Recover:** Select this option to proceed with recovery.
- **Verify:** Select this option to verify the backup.
- **Repair:** If the backup is corrupted, this option will attempt to restore it to an uncorrupted state.
- **Delete:** Select this option to delete the backup from the repository.

Backups			🔍
Name	Job	Size	
Self-backup	Self-Backup	68.0 MB	
NFS-V	File Share backup job	0.0 KB	

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Click on a backup name to view more information about the backup and see the recovery points available.

The following information is displayed:

- **Name:** Name of the backup item
- **Type:** Type of job
- **Points:** Number of recovery points available
- **Last point:** Date of the latest recovery point
- **Size:** The total size of the backup
- **Job name:** Name of the job

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Name: Self-backup

Last point: Wed, 16 Nov 2022 at 2:00 (UTC +02:00)

Size: 68.0 MB

Job name: Self-Backup

Viewing Recovery Point Details

You can view the details of a recovery point in the lower part of the screen. To find a recovery point for a specific date, you can use the **Search** bar on the right. The following information is displayed:

- **Date:** The date when the recovery point was created
- **Size:** The size of the recovery point
- **Type:** Type of backup used to create the recovery point
- **Schedule:** If applicable, the schedule that was used to create the recovery point
- **Immutable until:** If applicable, the date when the recovery point immutability expires
- **Protected until:** The date until which the recovery point is retained, displayed only for recovery points belonging to jobs that use the schedule retention approach
- **Description:** A description of the recovery point if one was provided

Recovery points 🔍						
Date	Size	Type	Schedule	Immutable until	Protected until	Description
Wed, 16 Nov 20...	13.0 MB	Full		Not applicable	Keep forever	
Tue, 15 Nov 20...	12.6 MB	Full		Not applicable	Keep forever	
Mon, 14 Nov 20...	13.7 MB	Full		Not applicable	Keep forever	
Sun, 13 Nov 20...	14.6 MB	Full		Not applicable	Keep forever	

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Note

- The **Size**, **Type**, and **Immutable until** details are displayed only if the **Store backups in separate files** option (under **Storage Savings & Encryption**) is selected when creating or editing a Backup Repository.
- For recovery points belonging to jobs using legacy retention settings, **Use job retention** is displayed under **Protected until** instead.

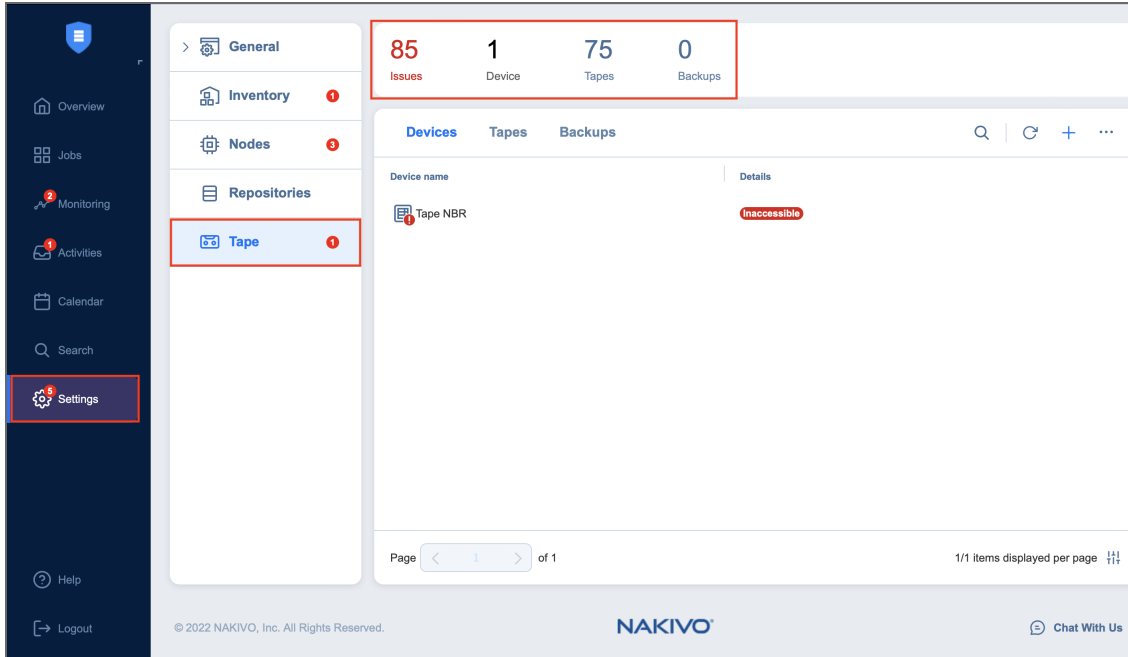
Date, **Type**, and **Description** can also be viewed when selecting recovery points in the **Recovery Job Wizard**. Hover over the name of the recovery point and click the ellipsis **Manage** button on the right side to select one of the following options:

- **Recover:** Select this option to proceed with recovery.
- **Edit:** Select this option to edit the recovery point. Do the following:
 - Optionally, you can add a **Description** to your recovery point.
 - Choose the date until which the recovery point should be kept. The following options are available:
 - **Use job retention:** Choose this option to use the retention settings configured in the job for this recovery point.

- **Keep forever:** Choose this option to keep this recovery point forever.
- **Protect until:** Choose this option to keep this recovery point until a specific date. After selecting this option, choose the date in the calendar pop-up.
- **Delete:** Select this option to delete the recovery point from the repository.

Tape

To start working with tape devices in NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you should first add and configure these devices on the **Tape** page of the **Settings** dashboard.



The **Summary** bar displays information about all tapes. The data displayed is as follows:

- **Issues:** Total number of issues/alarms related to tapes
- **Devices:** Total number of tape devices
- **Tapes:** Total number of tapes
- **Backups:** Total number of tape backups

The default view of the **Tape** page is set to the **Devices** tab. Once you add your tape devices, you can view and manage them on this page. To work with tapes and backups, click the **Tapes** and **Backups** tabs, respectively.

On the **Tape** page, you can perform the following operations:

- [“Adding Robotic Tape Libraries or VTLs” on page 608](#)
- [“Adding Standalone Tape Drives” on page 615](#)
- [“Managing Backups” on page 619](#)
- [“Managing Locations” on page 622](#)
- [“Managing Media Pools” on page 625](#)
- [“Managing Tape Cartridges” on page 628](#)
- [“Managing Tape Devices” on page 640](#)

Adding Robotic Tape Libraries or VTLs

Make sure to observe the following prerequisites before adding Robotic Tape Libraries or Virtual Tape Libraries to **Inventory**:

- Vendor drivers should be installed on tape devices prior to adding them to NAKIVO Backup & Replication **Inventory**.
- To be able to work with AWS VTL, you need to deploy a **Transporter** and manually mount VTL targets.

The process of adding a Robotic Tape Library or Virtual Tape Library to NAKIVO Backup & Replication includes the following steps:

- [Launching Wizard](#)
- [Selecting Transporter](#)
- [Selecting Changers](#)
- [Selecting Drives](#)
- [Selecting Options](#)
- [Managing Added Tape Library](#)

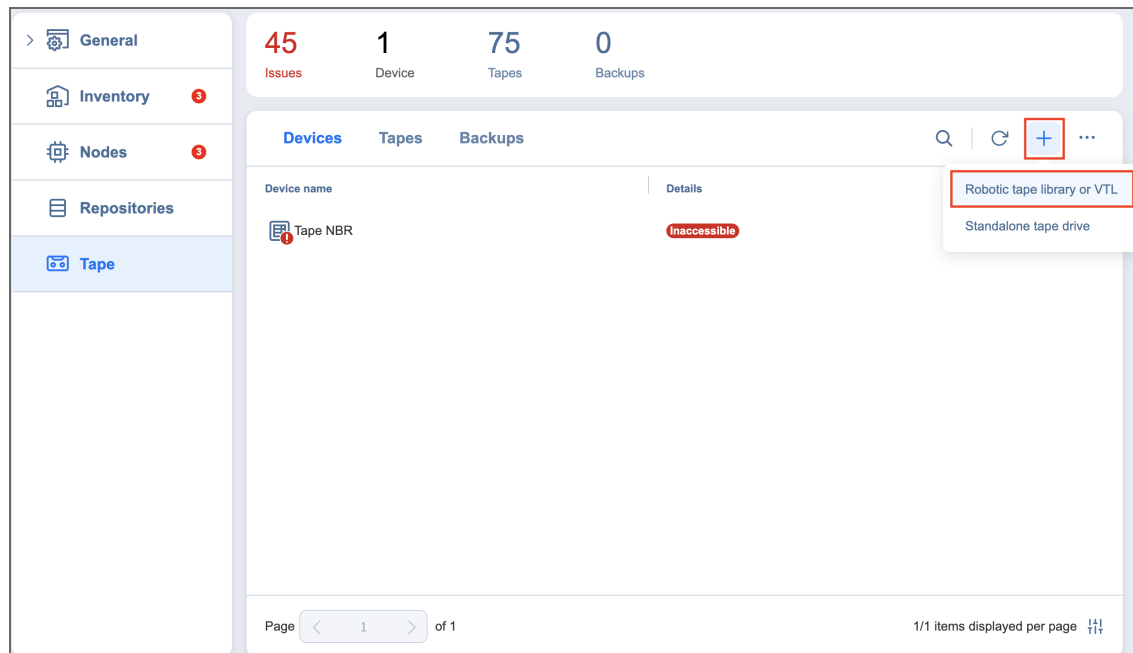
Launching Wizard

Before adding a Robotic tape library or Virtual Tape Library, make sure that the on-premises VM or Amazon EC2 instance meets the necessary [feature requirements](#).

To add a Robotic tape library or VTL to the system:

1. Go to **Settings** and click the **Tape** tab.
2. Go to the **Devices** tab.

3. Click the plus **Add** button and select **Robotic tape library or VTL**.



The **Add New Robotic Tape Library or Virtual Tape Library** wizard opens. Follow the steps below to add a new device.

Note

Before adding a new tape device to NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you need to deploy or add an existing **Transporter** on a machine that is physically connected to the tape device. For virtual tape libraries, the transporter should run in a separate VM on the same host or in a separate cloud instance in the same network. For more information on **Transporter** deployment, refer to [“Deploying Transporter as VMware Appliance” on page 495](#) and [“Adding Existing Nodes” on page 485](#).


Selecting Transporter

On the **Select Transporter** step, you need to specify a **Transporter** assigned to the device or VTL you want to add. This Transporter acts as a network appliance that manages traffic between the tape device and NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

1. From the **Assigned Transporter** drop-down list, select the relevant installed **Transporter**. You can also select a physical machine agent installed on the host connected to the tape device.

Add New Robotic Tape Library or Virtual Tape Library

1. Select Transporter 2. Select Changer 3. Select Drives 4. Select Options

Assigned transporter:  Select the transporter that is installed on the machine to which the tape library is connected. For virtual tape libraries, the transporter should run in a separate VM on the same host or in a separate cloud instance in the same network.

Cancel

2. Click **Next**.

Selecting Changers

The **Select Changers** page displays the list of media changers on the selected **Transporter**.

Note



If no media changers were found on the specified transporter, make sure the devices are connected, powered on, and the appropriate drivers are installed.

Select one media charger from the list. Media changers already being used in another discovered tape library are disabled.

Add New Robotic Tape Library or Virtual Tape Library

1. Select Transporter 2. Select Changer 3. Select Drives 4. Select Options

i Select the media changer of the tape library below.

Device Name	Address	Path	Serial Number
<input type="radio"/>  DELL PV-132T	[6:0:0:0]	\\.\Changer0	DELL1_3134662N1896
<input type="radio"/>  IBM 3573-TL	[0:0:7:1]	\\.\Changer1	00X2U78H4185_LL0

Cancel **Next**

The following information is displayed for each media changer to facilitate the selection:

- **Device name:** Indicates device's vendor and model, separated by space
- **Address:** Indicates the hardware address including the bus and node numbers
- **Path:** Indicates location in the operating system
- **Serial number:** Indicates the serial number of the device

Selecting Drives

On the **Select Drives** page, you can select tape drives from the tape library and specify the actual drive number for each drive. Drives already used in another discovered tape device are disabled and cannot be selected. The table provides the following information:

- **Device name:** Indicates the device's vendor and model.
- **Address:** Displays the hardware address including the bus and node numbers.
- **Path:** Shows the location in the operating system.
- **Serial number:** Shows the serial number of the drive.
- **Drive Number:** Indicates the drive number and allows changing it. Changing the drive number may be required to address situations, where iSCSI targets are assigned incorrectly to the mounted drives.

Note

If more than one drive is selected, such drives should use the same host/buses.

Add New Robotic Tape Library or Virtual Tape Library

1. Select Transporter 2. Select Changer **3. Select Drives** 4. Select Options

Select the tape drives of the tape library and specify the drive number for each drive. [Learn more](#)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Device Name	Address	Path	Serial Number	Drive Number
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	IBM ULT3580-HH5	[0:0:7:0]	\\.\Tape1	1068055225	0
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	IBM ULT3580-HH5	[0:0:8:0]	\\.\Tape2	1068040089	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	HP C7438A	[5:0:3:0]	\\.\Tape0	0000013891	

Cancel **Next**

Click **Next** to proceed to the next page.

Selecting Options

The last step of adding a tape library is selecting its options.

Add New Robotic Tape Library or Virtual Tape Library

1. Select Transporter 2. Select Changer 3. Select Drives **4. Select Options**

Name:

Compression:

Block size:

Device location: [add location](#)

Default media pool: [add media pool](#)

Default offline location: [add location](#)

Cancel **Finish**

1. Specify the following parameters:

- **Name:** Enter the name for the tape library
- **Compression:** Select a compression level of the tape device:
 - Hardware-based (default)
 - Software-based (fast)
 - Software-based (medium)
 - Software-based (best)

Note

Setting hardware compression is not recommended to avoid the issue of increased data size during transfer and long backup/recovery times. Having different types of compression for the tape device and a source/target **Backup Repository** during backup or recovery can also lead to this issue. For more information, see [this article](#).

- **Block size:** Select the block size of the tape device:
 - 32 KB
 - 64 KB (default)
 - 128 KB
 - 256 KBs
 - 512 KB
 - 1 MB

Note

The system does not automatically detect the block size; make sure to use the correct block size when importing backups.

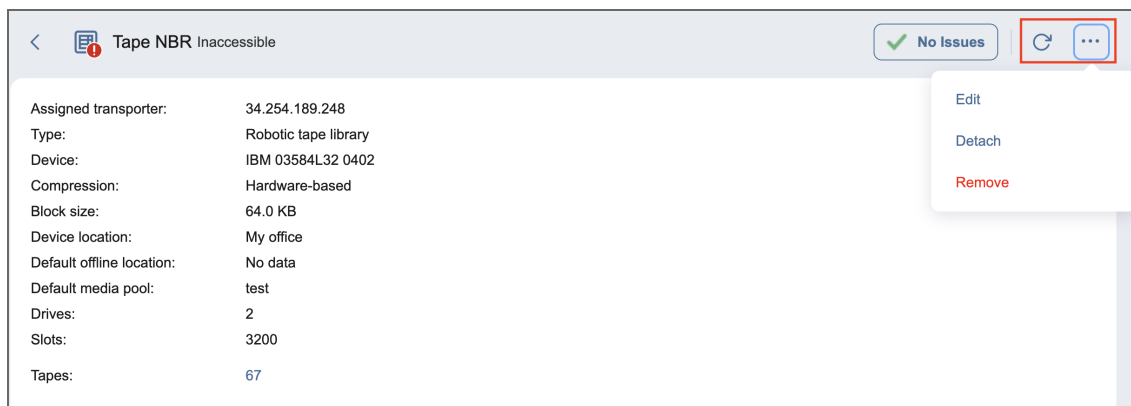
- **Device location:** Select the location of the device and all tapes inserted into this device. The automatically created **My office** location is selected by default. To create another location, click **Add Location**. For more information on locations management, refer to [“Managing Locations” on page 622](#).
- **Default media pool:** Select a default media pool for all new tapes inserted into this device. To create another media pool, click **Add Media Pool**. For more information on media pools management, refer to [“Managing Media Pools” on page 625](#).
- **Default offline location:** Select a default location for all tapes ejected from this device.

2. Click **Save** to start adding the tape library to NAKIVO Backup & Replication. After successful addition, the tape library will become available in the **Devices** tab.

Managing Added Tape Library

Clicking the name of the tape library opens its **Parameters** page. In addition to giving the details on the selected tape library, the **Parameters** page provides the following options:

- **Refresh:** Allows for refreshing the device by initiating the process of updating information regarding the content of the tape device. Refreshing involves checking the tapes' barcodes and may include moving tape cartridges within the device
- **Manage:** Allows for performing the following actions with the tape library:
 - **Edit:** Selecting this option opens the same wizard as described in previous sections, but with all fields already predefined. All fields, apart from **Compression** and **Block size**, can be changed.
 - **Detach/Attach:** Allows performing manual tape library attach/detach. Tape cartridges contained in a detached tape device become offline.
 - **Remove:** Removes the device from NAKIVO Backup & Replication. This option is unavailable if the device is currently in use by a job or other process.
- **Tapes:** Clicking this link opens the **Tapes** screen where you can view and manage tape cartridges in the device.



Adding Standalone Tape Drives

The process of adding a standalone tape drive to NAKIVO Backup & Replication includes the following steps:

- [Launching Wizard](#)
- [Selecting Transporter](#)
- [Selecting Options](#)
- [Managing Added Tape Drives](#)

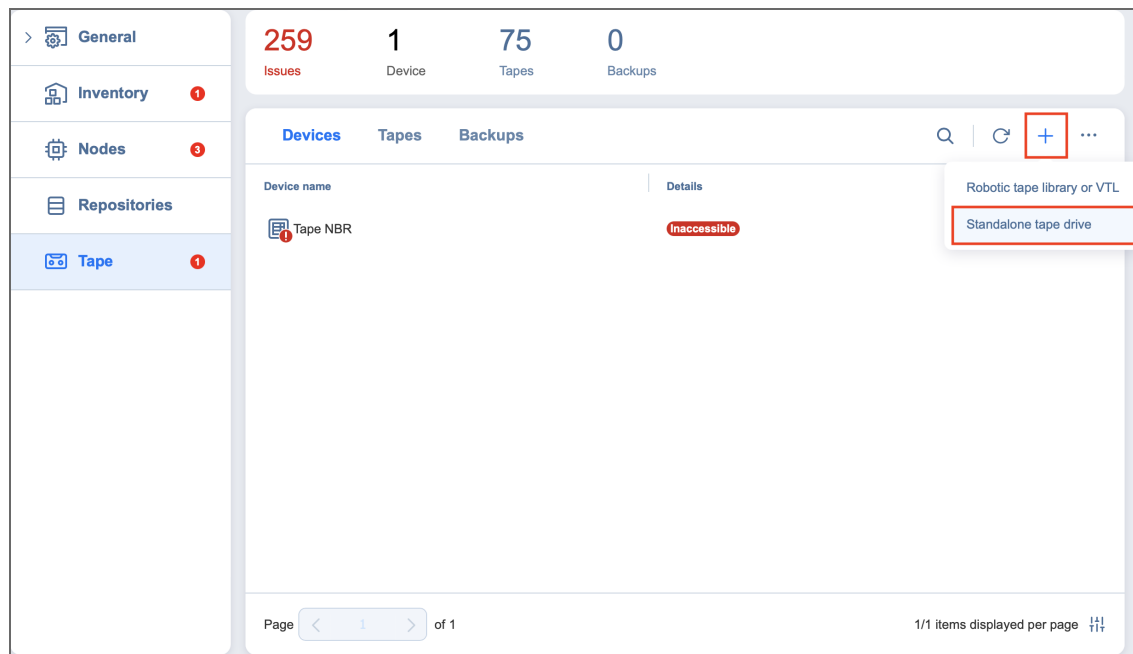
Note

Vendor drivers should be installed on tape devices prior to adding them to the NAKIVO Backup & Replication **Inventory**.

Launching Wizard

To add a standalone tape drive to the system:

1. Go to **Settings** and click the **Tape** tab.
2. Go to the **Devices** tab.
3. Click the **Add (+)** button and select **Standalone tape drive**.



The **Add New Standalone Tape Drive** wizard opens. Follow the steps below to add a new tape drive.

Note

Before adding a new tape drive to NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you need to deploy or add an existing **Transporter** on a machine that is physically connected to the tape drive. For more information on the **Transporter** deployment, refer to “[Deploying Transporter as VMware Appliance](#)” on page 495 and “[Adding Existing Nodes](#)” on page 485.

Selecting Transporter

During the **Select Transporter** step, you need to specify a **Transporter** assigned to the drive that you would like to add. This **Transporter** acts as a network appliance that manages traffic between the tape drive and NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

1. From the **Assigned Transporter** drop-down list, select the relevant installed **Transporter**. You can also select a physical machine agent installed on the host connected to the tape device.

The screenshot shows the 'Add New Standalone Tape Drive' wizard. The title bar indicates 'Tape / Add New Standalone Tape Drive'. The progress bar shows '1. Select Transporter' is active, and '2. Select Options' is next. Below the progress bar, there is a label 'Assigned transporter:' followed by a dropdown menu showing '10.30.30.86'. To the right of the dropdown is an information icon and the text 'Select a transporter installed on the machine to which the standalone tape drive is physically connected.' At the bottom right, there are two buttons: 'Next' (highlighted in blue) and 'Cancel'.

2. Click **Next**.

Selecting Options

The last step of adding a tape drive is selecting its options.

The screenshot shows the 'Add New Standalone Tape Drive' wizard. The title bar indicates 'Tape / Add New Standalone Tape Drive'. The progress bar shows '1. Select Transporter' is completed, and '2. Select Options' is active. Below the progress bar, there are several configuration fields: 'Name:' (text input), 'Drive:' (dropdown menu showing 'HP C7438A V601'), 'Compression:' (dropdown menu showing 'Hardware-based'), 'Block size:' (dropdown menu showing '64 KB'), 'Device location:' (dropdown menu showing 'My office' with a question mark icon and 'add location' link), 'Default media pool:' (dropdown menu showing '<No default media pool>' with a question mark icon and 'add media pool' link), and 'Default offline location:' (dropdown menu showing '<No default offline location>' with a question mark icon and 'add location' link). At the bottom right, there are two buttons: 'Finish' (highlighted in blue) and 'Cancel'.

1. Specify the following parameters:

- **Name:** Enter the name of the tape library
- **Drive:** Select one of the standalone tape drives on the assigned transporter
- **Compression:** Select a compression level of the tape device:
 - Hardware-based (default)
 - Software-based (fast)
 - Software-based (medium)
 - Software-based (best)

Note
 Setting hardware compression is not recommended to avoid the issue of increased data size during transfer and long backup/recovery times. Having different types of compression for the tape device and a source/target **Backup Repository** during backup or recovery can also lead to this issue. For more information, see [this article](#).

- **Block size:** Select the block size of the tape device:
 - 32 KB
 - 64 KB (default)
 - 128 KB
 - 256 KB
 - 512 KB
 - 1 MB

Note
 The system does not automatically detect the block size; make sure to use the correct block size when importing backups.

- **Device location:** Select the location of the device and all tapes inserted into this device. The automatically created **My office** location is selected by default. To create another location, click **Add Location**. For more information on locations management, refer to [“Managing Locations” on page 622](#).
- **Default media pool:** Select a default media pool for all new tapes inserted into this device. Optionally, you can select **No default media pool** if you want to skip this step. To create another media pool, click **Add Media Pool**. For more information on media pools management, refer to [“Managing Media Pools” on page 625](#).
- **Default offline location:** Select a default location for all tapes ejected from this device. Optionally, you can select **No default offline location** if you want to skip this step.

2. Click **Save** to start adding the tape drive to NAKIVO Backup & Replication. After successful addition, the tape drive will become available in the **Devices** tab.

Managing Added Tape Drives

Clicking the name of the tape drive opens its **Parameters** page. Apart from giving details on the selected tape drive, the **Parameters** tab provides the following functionality:

- **Refresh:** Allows for refreshing the device by initiating the process of updating information regarding the content of the tape device.
- **Manage:** Allows for performing the following actions with the tape drive:
 - **Edit:** Selecting this option opens the same wizard as described in previous sections, but with all fields already predefined. All fields, apart from **Compression** and **Block size**, can be changed.
 - **Detach/Attach:** Allows for performing manual tape library attach/detach. Tape cartridges contained in a detached tape device become offline.
 - **Remove:** Removes the device from NAKIVO Backup & Replication. This option is unavailable in case the device is currently in use by a job or other process.
- **Tapes:** Clicking this link opens the **Tapes** screen where you can view and manage tape cartridges in the device.

Managing Backups

From the **Tape** tab, you can also manage all backups stored on tape cartridges by clicking the **Backups** tab.

Backup Name	Type	Tapes	Points	Last point
0002373	Hyper-V VM	34	43	Wed, Jul 13 at 7:45 PM
0002373	Hyper-V VM	65	234	Wed, Jul 13 at 7:45 PM
0002373	Hyper-V VM	14	5	Wed, Jul 13 at 7:45 PM
0002373	Hyper-V VM	5	24	Wed, Jul 13 at 7:45 PM
0002373	Hyper-V VM	3	432	Wed, Jul 13 at 7:45 PM
0002373	Hyper-V VM	4	56	Wed, Jul 13 at 7:45 PM

In this view, you can search for backups, recover from backups, and view backup details.

- [Searching for Backups](#)
- [Filtering Backups](#)
- [Backups Table](#)
- [Recovering from Backups](#)

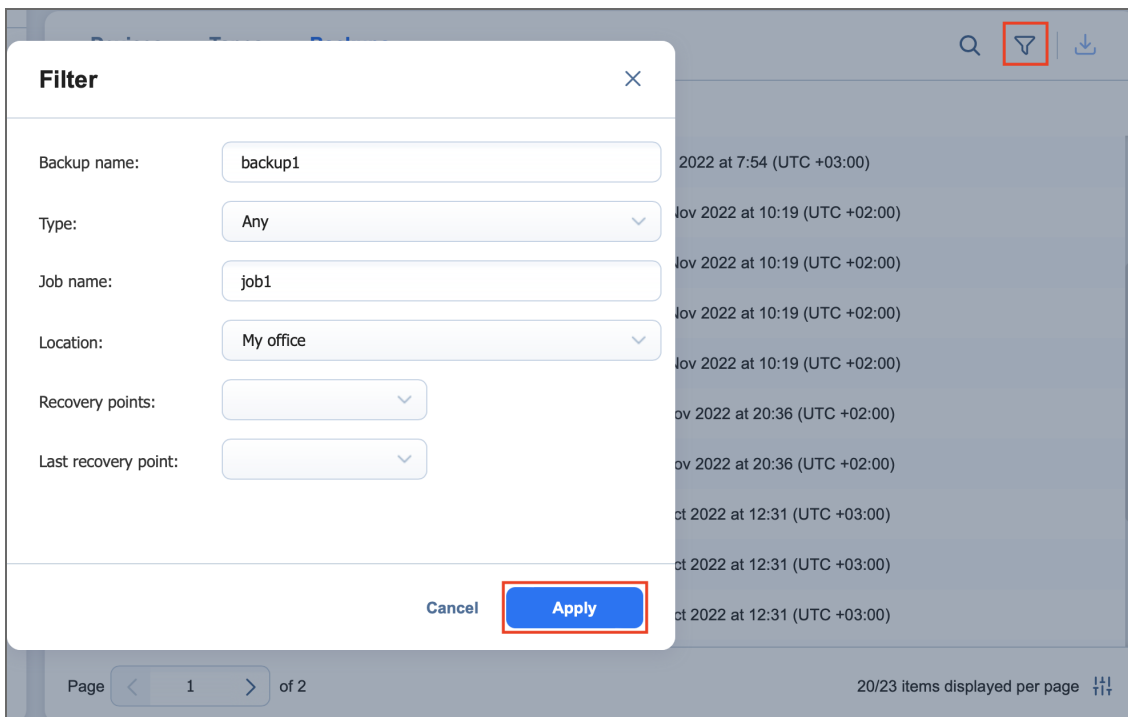
Searching for Backups

You can search for a specific backup by entering its name (or part of its name) into the **Search** box. The table will dynamically change to display the search results matching your query.

Clicking the **Clear** button in the search box clears the query, and the table displays all backups.

Filtering Backups

The Backups tab also provides sophisticated filtering options that can be applied to search for particular backups. To access filtering options, click the **Filter** icon in the top right corner. In the dialog box that opens, you can select one or several filtering criteria that will be applied with the AND statement.



You can apply the following filtering criteria:

- **Backup name:** The backups with the provided name will be displayed. Part of the name can be entered.
- **Type:** Specify the type of backups to be displayed:
 - Any
 - VMware VM
 - Hyper-V VM
 - EC2 instance
 - Nutanix AHV VM
 - Physical machine
- **Location:** Only the backups from the tape cartridges of the specified device location will be displayed
- **Job name:** Only the jobs with the specified string in their name will be displayed
- **Recovery points:** Only the backups with less or more recovery points will be displayed
- **Last recovery point:** Only the backups with the last recovery point created on/newer/older than the date specified will be displayed

Note

The **Search** and **Filter** features can only be applied separately; you cannot simultaneously search for a tape cartridge by name and select filtering options.

Backups Table

The **Backups** table provides detailed information about each backup:

- **Backup name:** Displays the name of the backup. Clicking the name opens the **Recovery** screen.
- **Type:** Displays the type of backup
- **Job name:** Displays the name of the job associated with the backup
- **Tapes:** Displays the number of tape cartridges that the backup occupies
- **Points:** Displays the number of recovery points the backup has
- **Last point:** Displays the date of the last recovery point on the backup

Recovering from Backups

You can initiate the recovery process from the **Backups** tab by selecting the checkboxes next to backup names and clicking the **Recover** button.

Note

If you are recovering from multiple backups, you may only select backups of the same **Type**. If you select multiple backup types, the **Recover** button will be disabled.

The screenshot shows a web interface for backup management. On the left is a navigation sidebar with options: General, Inventory, Transporters, Repositories, and Tapes. The main area displays a summary at the top: 334 Issues, 0 Devices, 0 Tapes, and 102 Backups. Below this is a table with columns: Backup Name, Type, Tapes, Point, and Last point. The 'Backups' tab is active. A red box highlights the first checkbox in the table, which is checked. Another red box highlights a download icon (a blue arrow pointing down) in the top right corner of the table area. The table contains seven rows of backup data, all of type 'Hyper-V VM'.

	Backup Name	Type	Tapes	Point	Last point
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0002373	Hyper-V VM	34	43	Wed, Jul 13 at 7:45 PM
<input type="checkbox"/>	0002373	Hyper-V VM	65	234	Wed, Jul 13 at 7:45 PM
<input type="checkbox"/>	0002373	Hyper-V VM	14	5	Wed, Jul 13 at 7:45 PM
<input type="checkbox"/>	0002373	Hyper-V VM	5	24	Wed, Jul 13 at 7:45 PM
<input type="checkbox"/>	0002373	Hyper-V VM	3	432	Wed, Jul 13 at 7:45 PM
<input type="checkbox"/>	0002373	Hyper-V VM	4	56	Wed, Jul 13 at 7:45 PM

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The **New Recovery Job Wizard** opens with the specified backups and their latest recovery points selected.

Managing Locations

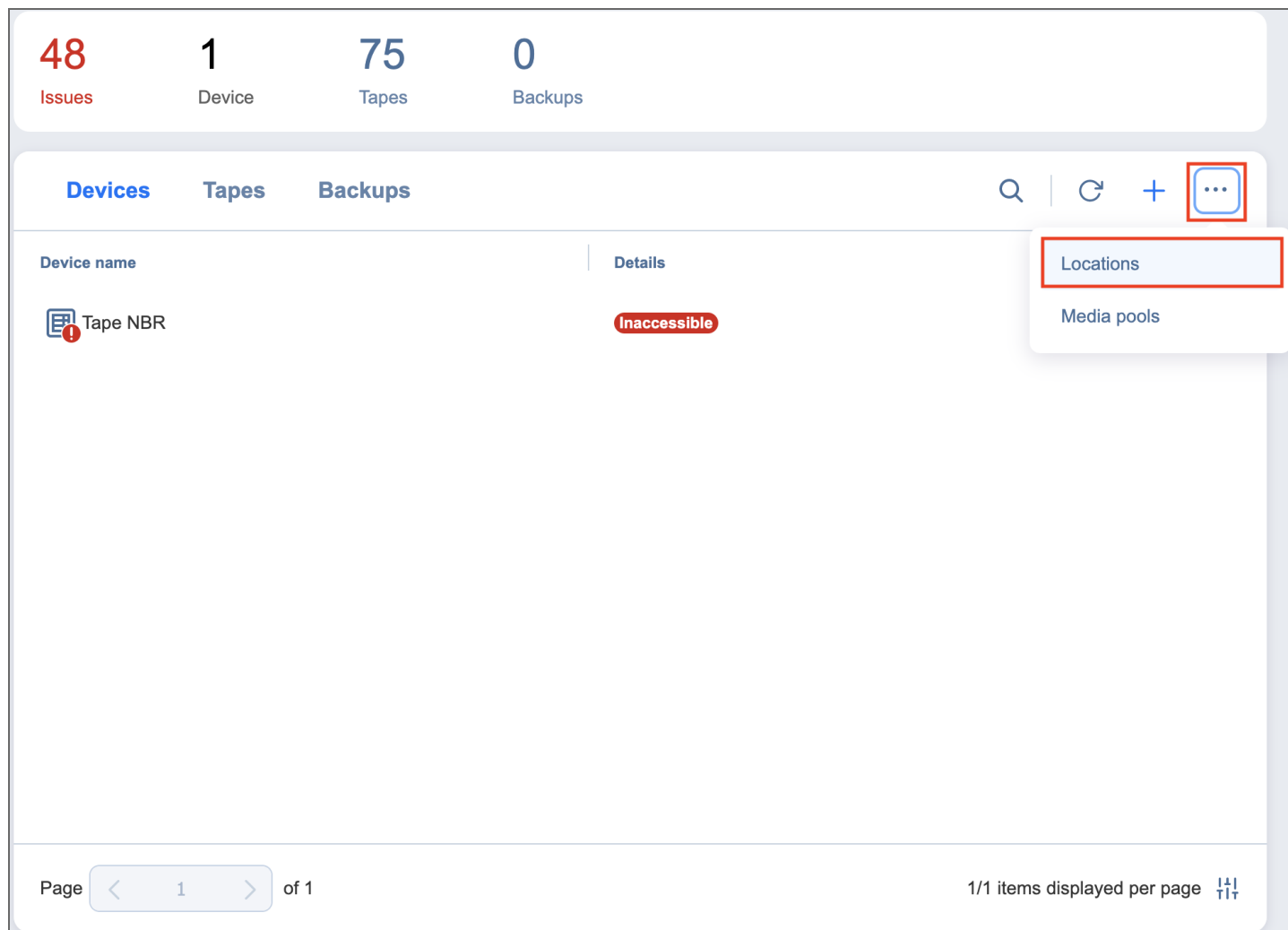
Device location is a logical container representing a geographical place where the tape devices are located. Larger companies can have their tape devices in different locations, e.g. the UK, USA, Australia, etc. By default, the system automatically creates the **My Office** device location, but you can create more device locations if necessary. Refer to these sections for details:

- [Adding Device Locations](#)
- [Managing Device Locations](#)

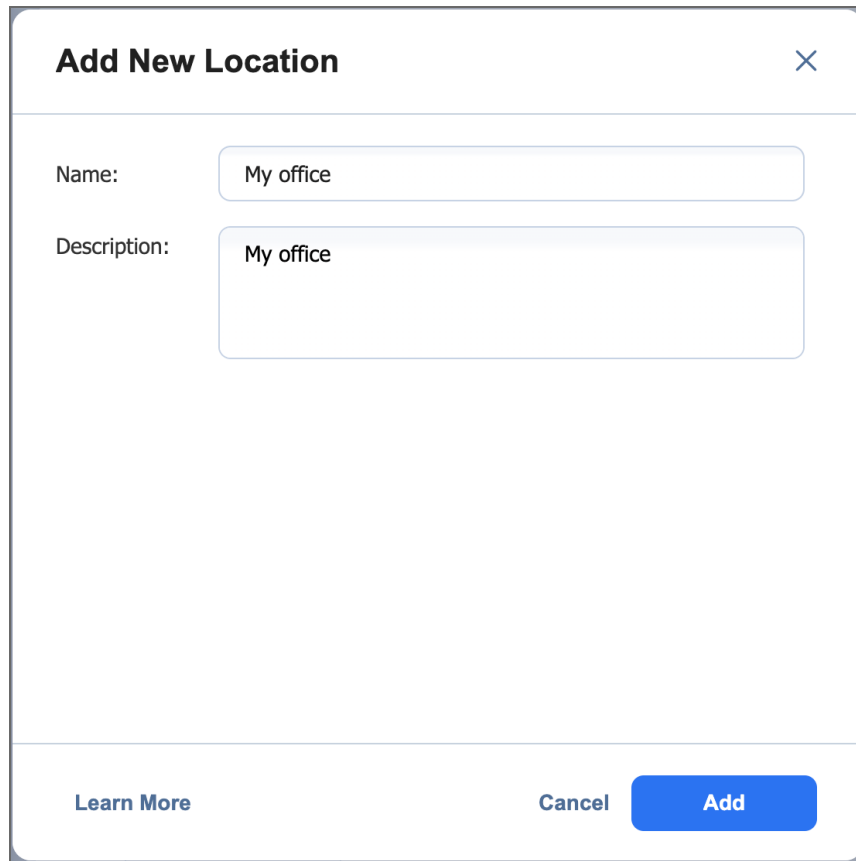
Adding Device Locations

To add a Location:

1. Go to **Settings > Tape**.
2. In the **Devices** or **Tapes** tab, click the ellipsis **Manage** button and select **Locations**. The **Location Management** dialog box opens.



3. Click the plus **Add New Location** button.
4. In the **Add New Location** dialog box, specify a name for the device location and provide a description (optional).



The image shows a dialog box titled "Add New Location" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. The dialog contains two input fields: "Name:" with the text "My office" and "Description:" with the text "My office". At the bottom of the dialog, there are three buttons: "Learn More", "Cancel", and "Add".

5. Click **Add**. The new device location is added to the list.

Managing Device Locations

From the **Location Management** screen, you can also edit or delete Locations by using the corresponding buttons or search for the location by entering a location name (or a part of its name) into the **Search** box.

Location Management



Q Search



Location

Description



My office

My office



Edit

Delete

[Learn More](#)

Close

Managing Media Pools

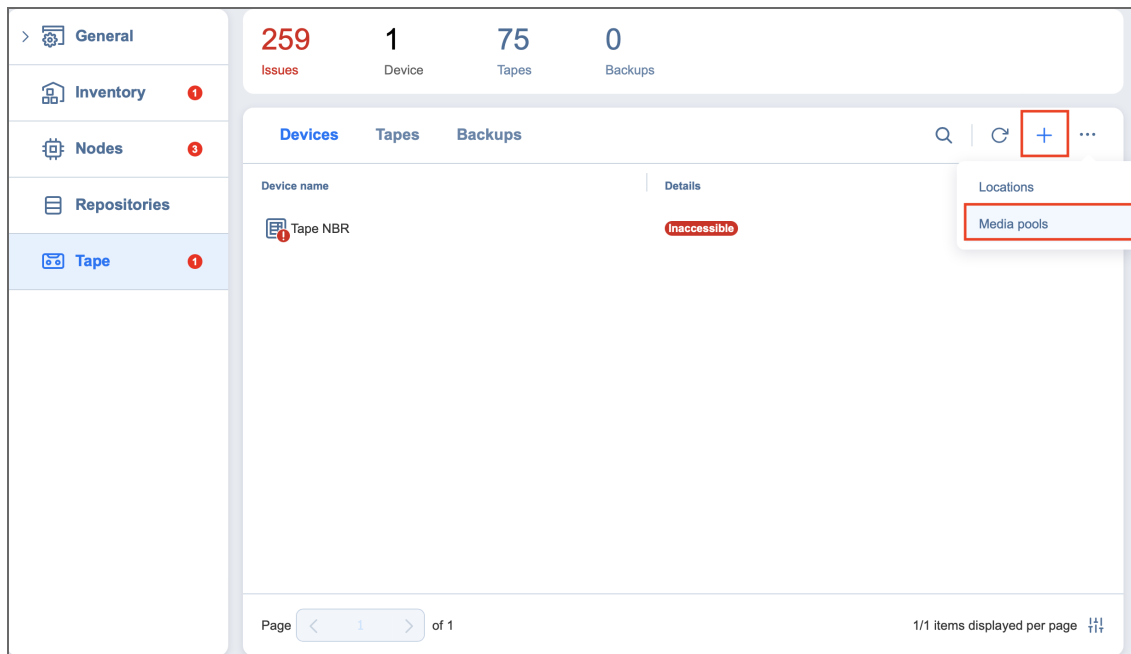
Media pools are logical containers created in NAKIVO Backup & Replication to organize and manage tape cartridges. No Media Pools are created by default, but you can create new ones if necessary. For details, refer to the following sections:

- [Adding Media Pools](#)
- [Managing Media Pools](#)

Adding Media Pools

To create a Media Pool:

1. Go to **Settings > Tape**.
2. In the **Devices** or **Tapes** tab, click the ellipsis **Manage** button and select **Media Pools**. The **Media Pool Management** dialog box opens.



3. Click the plus **Create Media Pool** button.
4. In the **Create Media Pool** dialog box, specify the name for the Media Pool and provide a description (optional).
5. From the **Move Offline Tapes To** drop-down list, select a device location to determine which location is automatically set for all offline tapes from this media pool. If the tape cartridge goes online again, it will return to the initial device location.
6. Select the **Automatically add free tapes to this pool when required** checkbox to automatically add one of the empty available tape cartridges to this media pool if the media pool does not have available tape cartridges.

Create Media Pool ✕

Name:

Description:

Move offline tapes to:

Automatically add free tapes to this pool when required

[Learn More](#) Cancel Add

7. Click **Add**. The new Media Pool is created.

Managing Media Pools

From the **Media Pool Management** screen, you can also edit or delete Media Pools by using the corresponding buttons or search for the media pool by entering its name or a part of its name into the **Search** box.

Media Pool Management



Search



Media pools

Description



test



Edit

Delete

[Learn More](#)

Close

Managing Tape Cartridges

The **Tapes** view allows you to view and manage all tape cartridges registered in the system. This section covers the following topics:

- [Viewing Tapes](#)
- [Searching for Tape Cartridges](#)
- [Filtering Tape Cartridges](#)
- [Tape Cartridge Management Page](#)
 - [Manage Options](#)
 - [Details Pane](#)
 - [Tape Contents table](#)
 - [Backup Details](#)
- [Bulk Tape Cartridge Management](#)

Viewing Tapes

To navigate to the **Tapes** menu, go to **Settings > Tapes** and click the **Tapes** tab.

The **Tapes** menu provides you with the following information about the tape cartridges in the table:

- **Name:** Displays the tape cartridge name. Clicking the name opens the tape cartridge management page. For more information, see [Tape Cartridge Management Page](#).
- **Label:** Displays the label assigned to the tape cartridge ("none" for tape cartridges without labels)
- **Status:** Displays the current status of the tape cartridge—Scanning / Online / Reading / Writing / Erasing / Warning / Error / Offline
- **Device:** Displays the name of the tape device that contains the tape cartridge
- **Slot/Drive:** Displays the slot/drive number of the tape cartridge
- **Last Written:** Displays the date of the last recording on the tape cartridge
- **Overwritable:** Displays the date when all recovery points on this tape cartridge will expire
- **Media Pool:** Displays the name of the media pool that the tape cartridge belongs to
- **Location:** Displays the name of the device location that the tape cartridge belongs to
- **Contents:** Indicates the contents of the tape cartridge (e.g. number of backups on the tape cartridge)
 - **Capacity:** Displays the amount of free space relative to the total tape capacity. Hovering over this row also reveals the amount of used space. In case the capacity cannot be retrieved, **Not available** will be displayed instead.

Note

If hardware compression is enabled when writing data to a tape cartridge, NAKIVO Backup & Replication may display twice the amount of total, free, and used space.

- **Type:** Displays the type of the tape cartridge:
 - Read/Write Tape
 - Write Protected Tape
 - Cleaning Tape

Name	Status	Capacity	Device	Slot/Drive	Media pool	Location
NFA5B58	Offline	1 TB/5 TB			test	My office
NF75B55	Offline	1 TB/5 TB			test	My office
NF65B54	Online	1 TB/5 TB	Tape NBR	6	test	My office
NF55B57	Offline	1 TB/5 TB			test	My office
NF45B56	Online	1 TB/5 TB	Tape NBR	21	test	My office
NDB7B79	Online	1 TB/5 TB	Tape NBR	18	test	My office
NDA7B78	Online	1 TB/5 TB	Tape NBR	17	test	My office
ND87B7A	Online	1 TB/5 TB	Tape NBR	19	test	My office
ND57B77	Online	1 TB/5 TB	Tape NBR	16	test	My office
ND47B76	Online	1 TB/5 TB	Tape NBR	5	test	My office

The column availability in the table can be managed by clicking the small config button in the bottom right of the table and checking/unchecking the boxes next to the column names.

Tapes Config

Number of items per page:

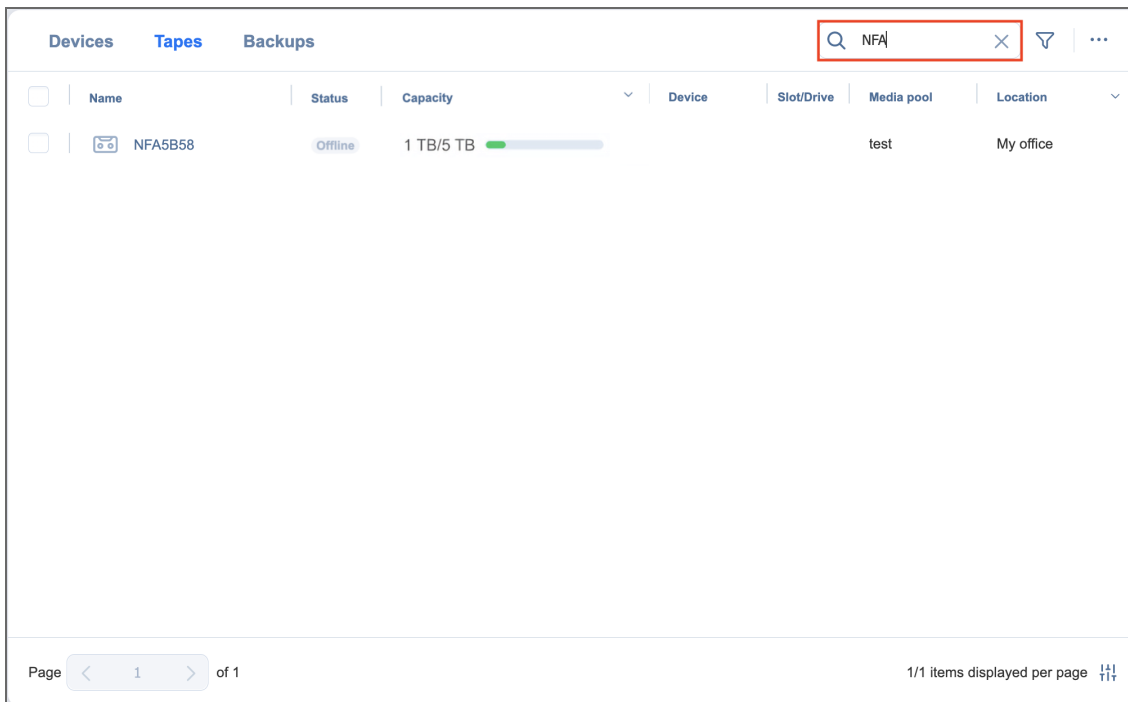
Columns:

- Name
- Capacity
- Device
- Last written
- Media pool
- Contents
- Status
- Label
- Slot/Drive
- Overwritable
- Location
- Type

Buttons: [Reset Settings](#) [Cancel](#) [Apply](#)

Searching for Tape Cartridges

You can search for a specific tape cartridge by entering its name (or part of its name) into the **Search** box. The table will dynamically change to display the search results matching your query.



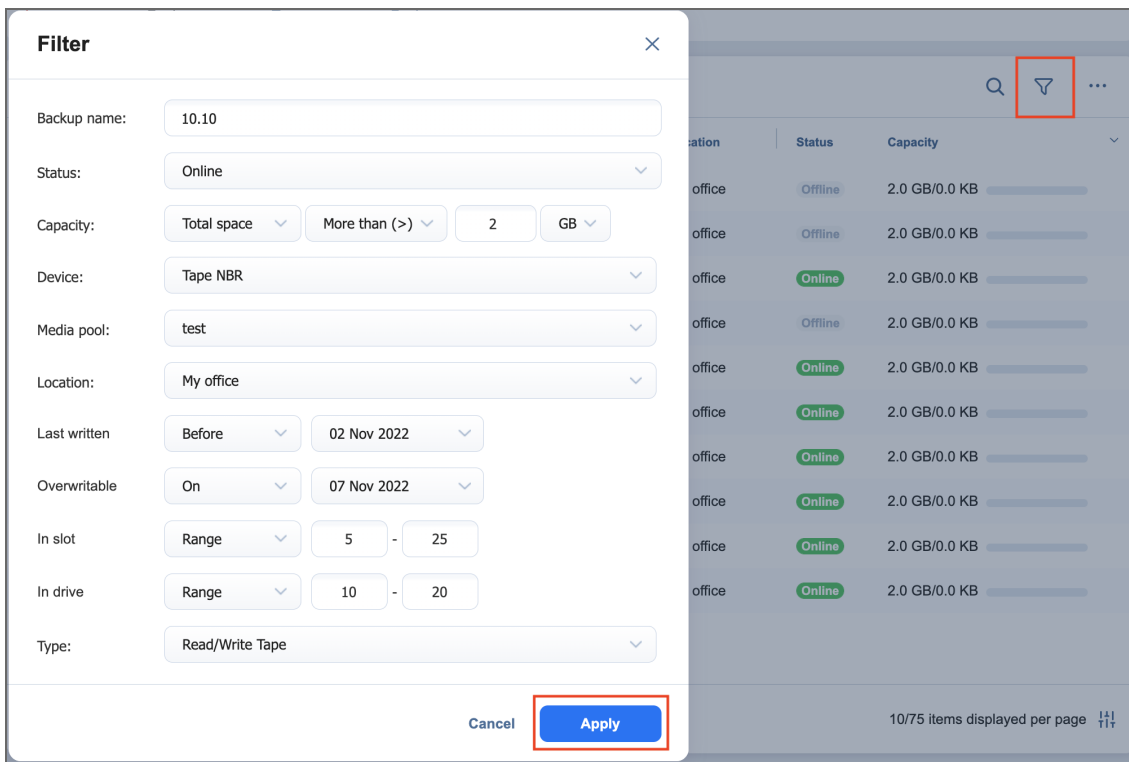
<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Status	Capacity	Device	Slot/Drive	Media pool	Location
<input type="checkbox"/>	NFA5B58	Offline	1 TB/5 TB			test	My office

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Clicking the **Clear** button in the search field will clear the query and the table will display all tape cartridges.

Filtering Tape Cartridges

The **Tapes** view also provides sophisticated filtering options that can be applied to search for particular tape cartridges. To access filtering options, click the **Filter** button next to the **Search** box. In the **Filter** pop-up, select one or several filtering criteria that will be applied with the AND statement.



You can apply the following filtering criteria:

- **Backup name:** Tape cartridges containing the backups with the provided name will be displayed.
- **Status:** Tape cartridges in one of the following statuses will be displayed:
 - Offline
 - Online
 - Scanning...
 - Erasing...
 - Cleaning...
 - Reading...
 - Writing...
 - Moving...
 - Warning
 - Error
- **Capacity:** Filter by capacity by configuring the following options:
 - Select one of **Total space**, **Free space**, or **Used space**.
 - Select one of **More than (>)**, **Less than (<)**, or **Equal to (=)**.
 - Enter a value corresponding to the desired capacity in GB or TB.
 - Select either **GB** or **TB**.
- **Device:** Only the tape cartridges from the specified type device will be displayed.
- **Media Pool:** Only the tape cartridges from the specified media pool will be displayed.

- **Location:** Only the tape cartridges from the specified device location will be displayed.
- **Last Written:** Displays the tape cartridges that have the data written to it on/before/after a specified date
- **Overwritable:** Displays the date when the tape cartridge can be overwritten (calculated using the age and retention of all recovery points on this tape cartridge)
- **In Slot:** Displays the tape cartridges in a specified slot or range of slots
- **In Drive:** Displays the tape cartridges in a specified tape drive or range of tape drives
- **Type:** Displays the tape cartridges according to their type:
 - Read/Write Tape
 - Write Protected Tape
 - Cleaning Tape

Note

The Search and Filter features can only be applied separately; you cannot simultaneously search for a tape cartridge by name and select filtering options.

Tape Cartridge Management Page

Clicking a tape cartridge name opens the tape cartridge management page where you can apply certain actions to the tape cartridge or get extensive information about it.

The tape cartridge management page consists of the following functional blocks:

- **Manage** button
- Detailed tape cartridge information

- Tape Contents table

0002373

Status: **Moving** From Slot 3 to Drive 4 in HP Library
 Name: 0002373
 Barcode: 002373
 Last written: Wed, Jul 13 at 7:45 PM
 Overwritable: No (until Wed, Aug 14)
 Type: Read/Write Tape
 Capacity: 1.3/2.5 TB
 Label: 0035L5
 Media pool: Oracle tape
 Location: Office

Backup Name	Type	Job name	Tapes	Points	Last point
SQL Server 01	Hyper-V VM	Backup copy job	1	1	Wed, 20 Jul 2022 at 18:16 (UT...
SQL Server 02	VMware VM	Backup copy job	2	2	Wed, 20 Jul 2022 at 18:16 (UT...
SQL Server 03	Hyper-V VM	Backup copy job	1	1	Wed, 20 Jul 2022 at 18:16 (UT...

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Manage Options

The ellipsis **Manage** button allows you to perform particular actions with the tape cartridge. Depending on the tape cartridge state, type, status, etc., the button’s availability may vary. The button can be disabled if a certain action cannot be applied to the tape cartridge. Hovering over the disabled button displays a tooltip describing the reason for action unavailability.

Some of the actions can be applied to several tapes at once. For more information, refer to [“Bulk Tape Cartridge Management” on page 638](#).

The following actions are available:

- **Scan:** Scans the tape cartridge for its contents. The system recognizes the contents to be:
 - Known NAKIVO Backup & Replication backups: Such content requires no scanning. The backups contained on this tape cartridge are displayed in the Tape Cartridge Contents Table and can be used for VM restoring.
 - Unknown NAKIVO Backup & Replication backups: The system recognizes the contents as created by NAKIVO Backup & Replication (that is, on another product instance) but cannot be used for VM restores until scanned.
 - Empty: The tape cartridge contains no data and is ready to be used for backup.

- **Third Party Data:** The tape cartridge contains some third party data that cannot be recognized by NAKIVO Backup & Replication. Such tape cartridges cannot be used unless their contents are erased.
- **Incomplete Backups:** The tape cartridge contains incomplete backup(s), the result of an inappropriately finished backup job (for example, in the case that a backup copy job was stopped by the user and the backup copy was not completed). Incomplete backups cannot be used for recovery.
- **Unidentified:** The contents of a newly introduced tape cartridge is unknown to the system and must be scanned first.

When you insert new tape cartridges into the tape device, and these tape cartridges contain backups created using another instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, the application opens the **Scan new tape cartridges?** notification box, asking if you'd like to scan the new tape cartridges. Clicking the **Scan all** link initiates the scanning action for all newly discovered tape cartridges.

- **Edit:** Clicking the **Edit** button opens the **Edit Tape** dialog where you can:
 - Create or change a label for the tape for easier tape identifying
 - Assign the tape to a pre-created media pool
 - Allocate the tape to a pre-created location

The newly added details are displayed in the **Options** pane.

- **Move:** This action allows you to move the tape cartridge to an available drive slot or tape drive. Occupied drive slots or tape drives are disabled in the menu.
- **Protect:** Applying this action to the tape cartridge protects it from data overwriting. This action is only available on tape cartridges that contain recovery points. Recovery from protected tape cartridges is available. Protected tape cartridges can be reverted by clicking the **Unprotect** button. Clicking the **Protect** or **Unprotect** button requires confirmation.
- **Mark as free:** Marking the tape cartridge as free makes it eligible for writing backups to it. Marking the tape cartridge as free does not erase the data right away: the next time the product needs a tape cartridge for writing data, it can take this tape cartridge and do a quick-erase before writing new data to it. The button is not available in case the tape cartridge is protected or empty. Marking the tape cartridge as free requires confirmation. The confirmation box displays detailed information about the data that is about to be deleted. This action cannot be undone.
- **Mark as cleaning:** Specialized tape cartridges designed for tape drive cleaning need to be marked as cleaning tapes. For tape cartridges that have been marked as cleaning tapes, this option is replaced by the **Mark as data** button. Selecting **Mark as data** reverts a cleaning tape cartridge to a regular data tape cartridge.

Important

Currently, cleaning tapes inserted into a device are not automatically recognized by the system as cleaning. Instead, the system identifies the tapes to contain third party data. It is the user's responsibility to mark the tape as cleaning once the tape is inserted into the device and discovered. Otherwise, the cartridge will perform cleaning of the drive automatically every time the library is refreshed.

- **Retire:** The tape cartridges marked as retired will not be used for new backups. Recovery from retired tape cartridges is still available. The action is not available for tape cartridges marked as free or do not contain recovery points. This action requires confirmation.
- **Erase:** The contents of the tape can be erased using:
 - Quick erase: The data is marked as deleted without actual data deletion. Such data can still be recovered if necessary.
 - Full erase: Deletes the data from the tape forever.

Keep in mind that both methods can be very time-consuming.

Clicking the **Erase** button opens the **Erase selected tape?** dialog providing detailed information about the data that is about to be deleted and allows choosing the erase method.

- **Clean drive:** This action is only available for cartridges marked as *cleaning*. Select a drive from the drop-down menu and click **Clean Drive** to initiate the drive cleaning cycle and move the cleaning cartridge to the selected drive for cleaning.
- **Remove:** Clicking this button will physically remove the tape cartridge from the tape device. The button is only available for the offline tape cartridges. The action requires your confirmation.

Details Pane

The **Details** pane provides full information about the tape:

- **Status:** Displays the status of the tape cartridge and the current tape device name and drive slot/tape drive number. The tape cartridge can be in one of the following statuses: Scanning, Online, Reading, Writing, Erasing, Warning, Moving, Error, or Offline.
- **Name:** Displays the name of the tape cartridge; can be modified by clicking the **Edit** button
- **Barcode:** Displays the tape cartridge barcode if available
- **Last written:** Displays the date of the last write operation
- **Overwritable:** Displays the date when all recovery points on this tape cartridge expire
- **Type:** Displays the type of the tape cartridge: Read/Write Tape, WORM Tape, Write Protected Tape, or Cleaning Tape
- **Capacity:** Displays the amount of free space relative to the total tape capacity. Hovering over this row also reveals the amount of used space. In case the capacity cannot be retrieved, **Not available** will be displayed instead.

- **Label:** Displays the tape cartridge label, if any
- **Media pool:** Displays the assigned media pool, if any
- **Location:** Displays the assigned location, if any

Tape Contents Table

The **Tape Contents** table provides information about the backups residing on the tape cartridge and allows for recovering VMs from backups right from the table. In case the tape cartridge contains no backups or has not yet been scanned, the table displays generic information about the tape cartridge contents, such as:

- "This tape contains third party data."
- "This tape cannot be identified. Scan the tape in order to discover its content."
- "This tape is empty."
- "This tape contains backups. Scan the tape to view the list of backups."

If the tape cartridge contains backups and has been scanned already, the **Tape Contents** table displays the backups and provides the following information:

- **Backup name:** Displays the name of the backup. Clicking the name of the backup opens the **Recovery** page.
- **Type:** Displays the type of a backup: VMware VM, Hyper-V VM or EC2 instance
- **Job:** Displays the name of the last known job
- **Tapes:** Shows the number of tape cartridges this backup is stored on
- **Points:** Displays the number of recovery points in the backup
- **Last point:** Displays the date of the most recent recovery point in the backup

The **Tape Contents** table can be modified to display the column you need by clicking the arrow icon in the table header and selecting the required columns.

Clicking the column's header sorts the contents of the column.

Backup Details

Clicking a backup name in the **Tape Cartridge Contents** table opens the **Backup Details** page where you can view the backup information and see all recovery points available for this backup. You can also initiate the recovery process from here.

Name: VM1
Type: Nutanix AHV VM
Tapes: 1
Recovery points: 3
First recovery point: Mon, 14 Nov 2022 at 12:54 (UTC +02:00)
Last recovery point: Tue, 15 Nov 2022 at 20:36 (UTC +02:00)
Location: My office
Size: 4.9 GB
Job name: Backup copy

Date	Type	Tape	Expiration Date
Tue, 15 Nov 2022 at 20:36 (UTC +02:00)	Incremental	XY	15 Dec 2022 at 20:36 (UTC +02:00)
Mon, 14 Nov 2022 at 13:29 (UTC +02:00)	Incremental	XY	14 Dec 2022 at 13:29 (UTC +02:00)
Mon, 14 Nov 2022 at 12:54 (UTC +02:00)	Full	XY	14 Dec 2022 at 12:54 (UTC +02:00)

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The **Backup Details** section provides the following information about the backup:

- **Name:** Displays the name of the backup
- **Type:** Displays the type of backup: VMware VM, Hyper-V VM, EC2 instance or physical machine
- **Tapes:** Displays the number of tape cartridges this backup is stored on
- **Recovery points:** Displays the number of recovery points within the backup
- **First recovery point:** Displays the date of the latest recovery point of the backup
- **Last recovery point:** Displays the date of the most recent recovery point of the backup
- **Location:** Displays the location the backup is assigned to
- **Job name:** Displays the name of the job the backup belongs to

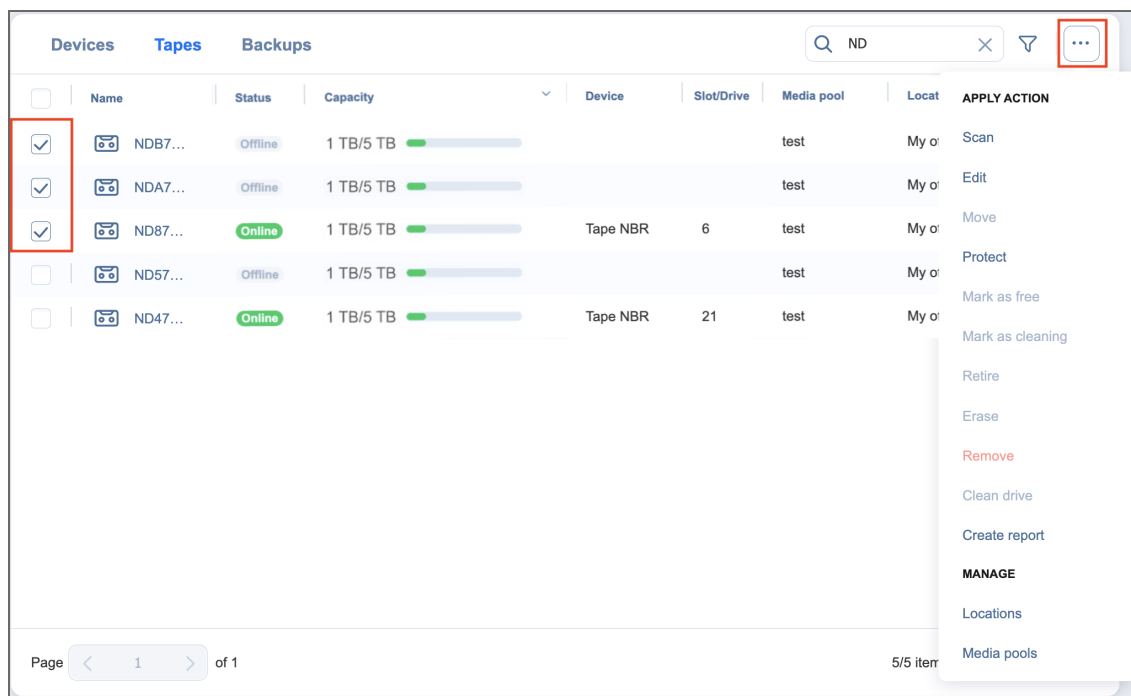
The **Recovery points** table lists all the recovery points available for the current backup and provides the following information:

- **Date:** Indicates the date the recovery point was created. Clicking this parameter initiates recovery for this recovery point.
- **Type:** Indicates the type of backup: Full or Incremental
- **Tape:** Indicates the name of the tape cartridge the backup is stored on
- **Expiration date:** Indicates the date when the recovery point expires

Clicking either the **Recover** button or the date of the recovery point in the table opens the Recovery from Tape Wizard for the selected backup object. For more information about recovering from a tape cartridge, refer to “Starting Recovery from Tape” on page 933 .

Bulk Tape Cartridge Management

Certain actions can be applied to several tape cartridges simultaneously. While in the **Tapes** tab, select the checkbox next to the tape cartridges you need to apply an action to and click the ellipsis **Manage** button. In the dialog box that opens, select an action to apply. Note that the availability of actions depends on various factors, so not all actions may be available. For action descriptions, refer to the **Manage Options** section above.



The **Create report** action is unique to the bulk tape cartridge management and is used to generate reports about selected tape cartridges. The report is created as a PDF file and is stored locally on your computer.



2 tapes

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Barcode: none
Last written: Not applicable
Tape Label: none
Media pool: none
Location: My office
Capacity: 780.5 GB
Contents: Incomplete backup(s)

Alarms & Notifications

No alarms or notifications

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Barcode: none
Last written: Wed, 30 Nov at 22:12
Tape Label: none
Media pool: none
Location: My office
Capacity: 780.5 GB
Contents: 2 backups

Name	Date	Type	Expires
VM1	02 Nov 2022 at 11:00	Full	02 Dec 2022
VM1	11 Oct 2022 at 11:31	Full	10 Nov 2022

Alarms & Notifications

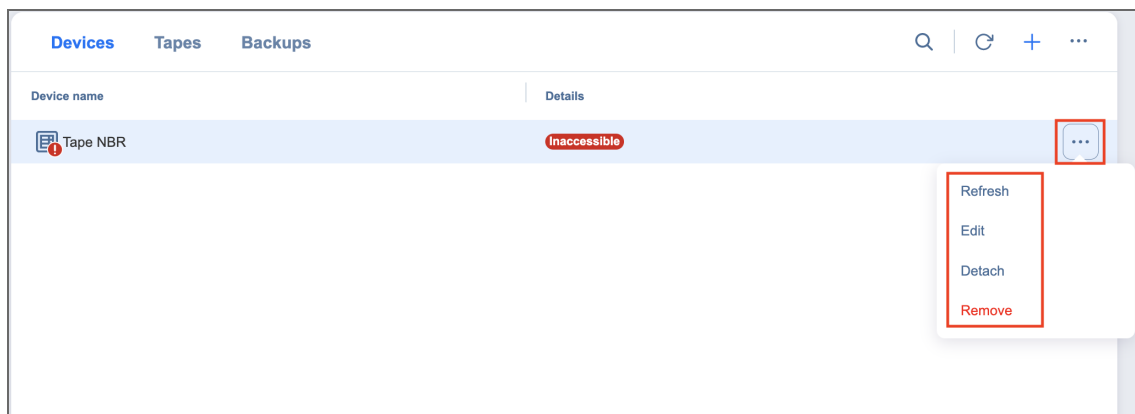
No alarms or notifications

Managing Tape Devices

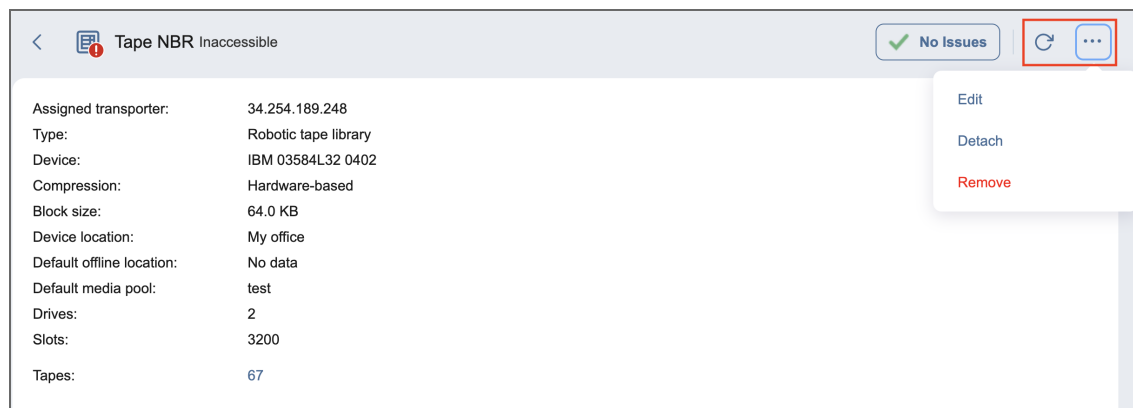
Once the tape devices are added to the system, you can view and manage them in the **Devices** tab.

Hovering the mouse cursor over the device name opens the management controls:

- **Manage:** opens the following options:
 - **Refresh:** Refresh action initiates the process of updating information regarding content of the tape device.
 - **Edit:** Opens the **Edit Tape Library** or **Edit Standalone Tape Drive** wizard, depending on the type of the device, where you can change the device's properties. Detached devices are greyed out in the interface and cannot be interacted with
 - **Detach:** Detaching a tape device saves the device's data and metadata in a consistent state and then stops the product's interaction with the device (such as read and write of data and metadata, and so on). You may want to detach a tape device to move it to a different location or to put it on maintenance.
 - **Remove:** Removes the tape device from the **Inventory**. The device may be then added again, for example, if you need to change the block size or compression type of the device.



- Clicking the name of the tape device opens the device's details window where you can manage it and view the device's detailed information.



Expert Mode

For advanced NAKIVO Backup & Replication configuration, you can enable the Expert mode.

To do this, take the following steps:

1. Log in to your NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance.
2. Add the word “expert” to the URL parameters of the **Settings** page.

Examples:

```
https://localhost:4443/c/configuration?expert or  
https://localhost:4443/c/configuration?action=&targetId=&backUrl=&wizard=false&expert
```

3. Click the **Expert** tab.

Configuring Settings

To configure advanced product settings, make the necessary changes in the following parameters:

Parameters	Description	Possible Values
system.email.smtp.localhost.mode	Specifies how to determine the name of the localhost that is used in the SMTP HELO or EHLO commands.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Default• Use DNS• Provide custom hostname
system.email.smtp.localhost.name	Specifies the name of the localhost that is used in the SMTP HELO or EHLO commands. This setting is valid for custom hostname resolution mode only.	
system.email.smtp.tls.version	Specifies the TLS version to use for SMTP server communication when TLS is configured in the Email Settings .	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Default• TLS10• TLS11• TLS12• TLS13

system.email.notifications.skip.event.list	List of event names to skip when creating an email digest. Use space or "," or ";" as separators. The event names can be found in events.log.	Event names (example: error60)
system.vmware.esxi.ssh.port	For VMware only. Specifies the SSH port to connect to ESXi (global setting).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 22 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 65535
system.vmware.skip.outdated.tools.checking	For VMware only. When enabled, the system does not check VMware Tools outdated status when creating quiescing snapshot.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.vmware.skip.tag.discovery	VMware only. When enabled, the system does not discover VMware Tags. This is applied to all tenants.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.debug.mode.log.vmware.api.incoming.requests	VMware only. When enabled, the incoming message will be printed for VIJAVA API received response. The option only works if system.debug.mode.enabled is checked.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.debug.mode.log.vmware.api.outgoing.requests	VMware only. When enabled, the outgoing message will be printed for VIJAVA API sent request. The option only works if system.debug.mode.enabled is checked.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked

http.max.upload.size	Specifies the max upload size for file upload operations, bytes (global setting). If multiple files are uploaded, this is the total size. Use -1 for unlimited. Example: 200MB: 200000000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 1073741824 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 9999999999999999
system.auth.use.lockout	Enables or disables the login lockout feature. When enabled, the offending IP address is not allowed to login after several failed attempts.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.auth.max.login.attempt.count	Specifies the maximum number of failed login attempts to trigger the login lockout feature for the offending IP.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 5 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 9999
system.auth.lockout.timeout	Specifies the timeout (minutes) for the login lockout feature. The offending IP is allowed to login again after the timeout expires.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 15 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 9999
system.auth.login.history.period	Specifies the period (minutes) to calculate the maximum number of failed login attempts for the login lockout feature.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 5 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 9999

<p>system.auth.ad.integration.follow.referrals</p>	<p>Defines LDAP/Active Directory behavior for referrals. When set to follow, all referrals are resolved (can be slow); otherwise they are ignored.</p> <p>What are the implications of the ignore option?</p> <p>* If you only have one domain, there should be no effects.</p> <p>* If you have multiple domains joined in a forest, then any cross-domain memberships will not be resolved.</p> <p>More info: https://docs.oracle.com/javase/jndi/tutorial/ldap/referral/jndi.html</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • follow (default) • ignore
<p>system.auth.ad.integration.connect.timeout</p>	<p>Specifies the timeout (milliseconds) for connecting LDAP/Active Directory.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 2000 • Minimum value: 2000 • Maximum value: 100000
<p>system.auth.ad.integration.read.timeout</p>	<p>Specifies the timeout (milliseconds) for reading LDAP/Active Directory operations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 10000 • Minimum value: 10000 • Maximum value: 100000
<p>system.auth.max.login.2fa.attempt.count</p>	<p>Specifies the attempts for the login lockout feature. The offending IP is allowed to login again after the timeout expires.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 100 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 9999

<p>system.auth.lockout.2fa.timeout</p>	<p>Specifies the timeout (minutes) for the login lockout feature. The offending IP is allowed to login again after the timeout expires.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 5 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 9999
<p>system.job.block.size</p>	<p>Select block size for processing data.</p> <p>Notes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deduplication can only be efficient with recovery points using the same block size. • Once the value is changed, the existing backup jobs, previously using a different block size, will produce a full backup on the next run. • Mapping to a backup with a different block size will be skipped 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 MB (default) • 2 MB • 1 MB • 512 KB • 256 KB • 128 KB • 64 KB • 32 KB • 16 KB • 8 KB • 4 KB
<p>system.job.map.new.source.item.scope</p>	<p>The scope to search for the existing backup when adding a new source item to the job.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default location (default) • Default transporter's locations • All locations
<p>system.job.pool.queue.length</p>	<p>Specifies the length of the job queue. A job is placed in a queue before execution. Requires restart.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 200 • Minimum value: 10 • Maximum value: 9999

<p>system.job.pool.thread.min</p>	<p>Specifies the minimum thread pool size for jobs. A job requires 1 thread from the job pool to start running. Requires restart.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 30 • Minimum value: 10 • Maximum value: 9999
<p>system.job.pool.thread.max</p>	<p>Specifies the maximum thread pool size for jobs. A job requires 1 thread from the job pool to start running. When the pool thread limit is reached, the job is placed in the job queue. Requires restart.</p> <p>If using Linux and systemd, please add the following to the service startup script: TasksMax=infinity</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 200 • Minimum value: 10 • Maximum value: 9999
<p>system.job.resolve.host.hostname.on.transporter</p>	<p>If set, sends the source and/or target host hostname as is to Transporter. Transporter will resolve the hostname to the IP address(es) and check if it is reachable. This is done during the Transporter to host checks on a job run.</p> <p>The default behavior is to do the resolution locally and send the IP addresses to Transporter. This can be a problem in complex network topologies (VPN, etc).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked

<p>system.job.resolve.transporter.hostname.on.transporter</p>	<p>If set, sends the source and/or target Transporter hostname as is to Transporter. Transporter will resolve the hostname to the IP address(es) and check if it is reachable. This is done during Transporter to Transporter checks on job run.</p> <p>The default behavior is to do the resolution locally, get hostnames for all resolved IP addresses, and then send them to Transporter. This can be a problem in complex network topologies (VPN, etc).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
<p>system.job.bandwidth.throttling.source</p>	<p>If set, applies bandwidth throttling for data reading from source.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checked (default) • Unchecked
<p>system.job.bandwidth.throttling.target</p>	<p>If set, applies bandwidth throttling for data writing to target.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checked (default) • Unchecked
<p>system.job.bandwidth.throttling.network</p>	<p>If set, applies bandwidth throttling for data transfer between source and target.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checked (default) • Unchecked
<p>system.job.ict.skip.new.disk</p>	<p>If set, new disks added to the source item will not be added to the job automatically.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checked (default) • Unchecked
<p>system.job.replica.vm.suffix</p>	<p>The default suffix to append to replica VMs.</p> <p>This setting is global and can only be changed inside the master tenant.</p>	<p>Can be between 1 and 20 characters ("-replica" by default)</p>

system.job.recovered.vm.suffix	The default suffix to append to recovered/flash-booted VMs. This setting is global and can only be changed inside the master tenant.	Can be between 1 and 20 characters ("-recovered" by default)
system.job.skip.manual.transporter.data.path.validation	If set, transporter data path validation will be skipped for manually configured transporters.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.metadata.disable.ec2.instance.id.update	Disables EC2 instance ID detection on product startup. The detection is done via a HTTP request to http://169.254.169.254/latest/metadata/instance-id This is required for proper product functioning in the AWS cloud.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.task.pool.queue.length	Specifies the length of the task queue. A task is placed in the queue before execution. Requires restart.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 200 • Minimum value: 10 • Maximum value: 9999
system.task.pool.thread.min	Specifies the minimum thread pool size for tasks. A task requires 1 thread from the task pool to start running. Task example: repository refresh, Transporter refresh, support bundle creation. Requires restart.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 30 • Minimum value: 10 • Maximum value: 9999

<p>system.task.pool.thread.max</p>	<p>Specifies the maximum thread pool size for tasks. A task requires 1 thread from the task pool to start running. When the pool thread limit is reached, the task is placed in the task queue. Task example: repository refresh, Transporter refresh, support bundle creation. Requires restart.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 200 • Minimum value: 10 • Maximum value: 9999
<p>system.repository.min.free.space.byte</p>	<p>Specifies the minimum free space (bytes) for the repository. If the free space goes below this value, an alarm is generated.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 5368709120 • Minimum value: 1024 • Maximum value: 1099511627776
<p>system.repository.min.free.space.percent</p>	<p>Specifies the minimum free space (percent) for the Backup repository. If the free space goes below this value, an alarm is generated.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 5 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 99
<p>system.repository.ec2.min.free.space.resize.percent</p>	<p>In case the free space is less than the set percentage of the total current storage, one minimum chunk will be added to the storage.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 10 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 100

system.repository.ec2.max.free.space.resize.percent	<p>In case the free space is more than the set percentage of the total current storage, one minimum chunk will be removed from the storage.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 15 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 100
system.repository.maintenance.interrupt.timeout.seconds	<p>Specifies the timeout (seconds) to wait for repository maintenance stop during job run.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 300 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 86400
system.repository.refresh.backup.size.calculation	<p>Specifies the backup size calculation on the repository refreshing. True: Always calculates backup size. False: Skips backup size calculation and only calculates backup size with necessary backups.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checked (default) • Unchecked
system.repository.refresh.timeout.seconds	<p>Specifies the timeout (seconds) to wait for repository refresh.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 600 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 86400
system.repository.remove.backups.used.by.job	<p>The setting allows to remove backup objects associated with existing jobs, and remove the last RP of a backup object in case such RP is due to be removed according to the retention policy. If enabled, removal of the aforesaid objects can be done manually or automatically, in accordance with the configured retention policy.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked

system.product.skip.update.server.ssl.certificate.verification	The product update check process requires the remote server certificate to be trusted. This parameter disables such check. It can be useful when secure (SSL/TLS) connections are being intercepted by third-party software. A product restart is required to apply.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.debug.mode.enabled	The debug mode prints more information into the logs, including some sensitive one (hardware UUIDs, MAC addresses, etc). The passwords are not printed unless they are present in raw communication dumps (e.g., SOAP/XML/JSON).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.debug.mode.log.passwords	When debug mode is enabled, also log passwords. This can be a security risk.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.debug.mode.log.api.requests	When debug mode is enabled, also log product API requests/responses. The data is logged as is and will contain plaintext passwords. This can be a security risk.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.hyperv.optimize.queries	Hyper-V only. Instructs to use a faster query method to read VM and host information. This will speed up the refresh process in large environments.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checked (default) • Unchecked
system.hyperv.discovery.host.thread.count	Hyper-V only. Sets the max parallel threads to run when refreshing cluster hosts during discovery. Each cluster host can be refreshed separately. This will speed up the refresh process in large environments.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 2 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 20

system.hyperv.discovery.vm.thread.count	<p>Hyper-V only. Sets the max parallel threads to run when refreshing host VMs during discovery. When increasing the setting value, make sure to test its impact on host CPU usage during refresh. This will speed up the refresh process in large environments.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 2 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 10
system.database.scheduled.backup.path	<p>Specifies the target path for database backups. The tenant databases will be stored in subfolders, if present. The path can be local or absolute. The folder will be created automatically if it does not exist.</p>	
system.database.scheduled.backup.max.count	<p>Specifies the maximum number of files for periodic database backups. The number is applied separately to each tenant database. The master and tenants product databases are backed up each day.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 5 • Minimum value: 0 • Maximum value: 365
system.logging.max.index	<p>Specifies the maximum index of log files. This works globally for all log files. Set 0 to use default value (configured in log4j.xml).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 0 • Minimum value: 0 • Maximum value: 999
system.product.min.free.space.byte	<p>Specifies the minimum free space (bytes) for the product installation folder. If the free space goes below this value, an alarm is generated.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 2147483648 • Minimum value: 10485760 • Maximum value: 10737418240

<p>system.product.free.memory.threshold</p>	<p>Specifies the minimum ratio for JVM free memory. If the free JVM memory goes below this value, an alarm is generated.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 0.1 • Minimum value: 0.01 • Maximum value: 0.9
<p>system.nutanix.discovery.vm.thread.count</p>	<p>Nutanix AHV only. Sets the max parallel threads to run when refreshing host VMs during discovery. When increasing the setting value, make sure to test its impact on host CPU usage during refresh. This will speed up the refresh process in large environments.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 2 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 10
<p>system.aws.discovery.region.thread.count</p>	<p>AWS only. Sets the max parallel threads to run when refreshing the AWS Regions during discovery. When increasing the setting value, make sure to test its influence on host CPU usage during refresh. This will speed up the refresh process in large environments.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 4 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 10
<p>system.aws.discovery.other.thread.count</p>	<p>AWS only. Sets the max parallel threads to run when refreshing other AWS entities inside the Region during discovery. When increasing the setting value, make sure to test its influence on host CPU usage during refresh. This will speed up the refresh process in large environments.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 4 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 10

system.plugin.flr.operation.timeout.seconds	Specifies the timeout (seconds) to wait for plugin session FLR/OLR. This is a low-level setting that is only sent to Transporter and used during iSCSI interaction.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 900 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 86400
system.physical.skip.os.checking	Physical Windows host discovery only. When enabled, the system will not check the supported OS version.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checked • Unchecked (default)
system.transporter.agent.injection.skip.vc.redist	When enabled, the system will not automatically install VC redistributable during Transporter/agent injection.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checked • Unchecked (default)
system.transporter.load.max.time.created.state.hours	Specifies the timeout (hours) to wait for getting Transporter load request. Default is 5 hours.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 5 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 72
system.transporter.modern.min.heap.size.megabyte	Megabytes. The -Xms option sets the initial and minimum Java heap size. The Java heap (the “heap”) is the part of the memory where blocks of memory are allocated to objects and freed during garbage collection. Note: Transporter restart is required to apply the setting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 512 • Minimum value: 256 • Maximum value: 65536

<p>system.transporter.modern.max.heap.size.megabyte</p>	<p>Megabytes.</p> <p>This option sets the maximum Java heap size. The Java heap (the “heap”) is the part of the memory where blocks of memory are allocated to objects and freed during garbage collection.</p> <p>Depending on the kind of operating system you are running, the maximum value you can set for the Java heap can vary.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Xmx does not limit the total amount of memory that the JVM can use. Transporter restart is required to apply the setting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 3072 • Minimum value: 256 • Maximum value: 65536
<p>system.transporter.modern.thread.stack.size.kilobyte</p>	<p>Kilobytes.</p> <p>-Xss sets the thread stack size. Thread stacks are memory areas allocated for each Java thread for their internal use. This is where the thread stores its local execution state.</p> <p>Note: Transporter restart is required to apply the setting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 512 • Minimum value: 64 • Maximum value: 2048
<p>system.transporter.modern.job.handler.max.thread.count</p>	<p>Specifies the job thread count for modern Transporter.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 job thread equals ~200MB of memory, consider changing the related setting. • Transporter restart is required to apply the setting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 10 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 128

<p>system.transporter.modern.service.handler.max.thread.count</p>	<p>Specifies the service thread count for modern Transporter.</p> <p>Note: Transporter restart is required to apply the setting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 10 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 128
<p>system.transporter.jvm.ram.requirement</p>	<p>Bytes.</p> <p>For NASes only.</p> <p>Specifies the minimal ram required on NASes to create a SaaS repository.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 4294967296 • Minimum value: 0 • Maximum value: 1099511627776
<p>system.transporter.modern.thread.pool.size</p>	<p>Specifies the session factory thread pool size for modern Transporter.</p> <p>Note: Transporter restart is required to apply the setting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 1000 • Minimum value: 100 • Maximum value: 1000
<p>system.deleted.users.groups.remove.frequency</p>	<p>Specifies the scheduled time for removing unnecessary deleted users, groups (in second).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 86400 • Minimum value: 300 • Maximum value: 1.7976931348623157e+308
<p>system.inventory.allow.duplicated</p>	<p>Microsoft 365 and physical machines only. When enabled, the system allows duplicated discovery items.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked

system.inventory.optimize.discovery.time	Microsoft 365 (SharePoint Online) only. When enabled, the system skips some attributes to optimize the discovery time.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.o365.suppress.throttling.event	Suppress throttling warning.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.event.skip.creating.event.list	List of event/alarm/notification names to skip when creating an event. The event is still logged and handled. Use space or , or ; as separators. The names can be found in events.log.	Event names (example: error60)
system.events.use.windows.event.integration	Use Windows Event log integration. Some product events will also be created in the Application log. This setting is global and can only be changed inside the master tenant.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.exchange.enable.direct.recovery	When enabled, you can recover Exchange items without using a recovery server. For example, you can download items to the browser or forward them to a certain email. To do this, select Download items or forward via email on the Destination page of the job wizard and then select the appropriate recovery type on the Options page. Note that Google limits the total size of attachments within a message to 25 MB. Forwarding messages containing attachments that exceed this limit will fail.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked

system.olr.dsamain.mount.port	TCP port where DSAMAIN mounts NTDS.dit (AD database) for.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 5000 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 65535
system.product.register.disable.periodic.data.collection	When enabled, the product will not send data bundles every 30 days.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.repository.skip.periodic.refresh.on.transporter.busy.with.job	When enabled and any Transporter repository is locked by a running job, the product skips periodic refresh for this Transporter repository.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.pql.custom.file.name	PQL file name in the userdata folder. Empty by default. If empty, the file will be downloaded from web.	
system.pql.cache.ttl.hours	Time to keep PQL file cache, in hours. Use 0 to disable the cache.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 8 • Minimum value: 0 • Maximum value: 72
system.transporter.allow.new	Allows using newer Transporter versions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.transporter.allow.old	Allows using older (outdated) Transporter versions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked

<p>system.transporter.modern.idle.timeout</p>	<p>Specifies the timeout (milliseconds) for modern Transporter IDLE. If you set it to 0, it will be an unlimited timeout, meaning the transporter can only be stopped manually.</p> <p>Note: Transporter restart is required to apply the setting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 3600000 • Minimum value: 0 • Maximum value: 86400000
<p>system.volatile.object.processing.type</p>	<p>Default: try to remove the volatile objects periodically until their time to live (fixed) is reached. Alternative: fine-tune the settings. See the other system.volatile.object variables. The setting is global and can be changed inside the master tenant only.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default (default option) • Alternative
<p>system.volatile.object.retry.count</p>	<p>Alternative processing type only. The maximum number of retries for volatile objects removal. 0 means no retries, so only one removal attempt will happen. The setting is global and can be changed inside the master tenant only.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 7 • Minimum value: 0 • Maximum value: 256
<p>system.volatile.object.retry.interval</p>	<p>Alternative processing type only. Minutes. The desired delay between each removal retry. The real delay depends on the queue and on the exponential retry factor (configurable). The setting is global and can be changed inside the master tenant only.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 60 • Minimum value: 5 • Maximum value: 14400

<p>system.volatile.object.exponential.retry.interval.factor</p>	<p>Alternative processing type only. The ratio to use when calculating the delay time for the next retry. The next delay equals $interval * (factor^{retry})$.</p> <p>Example: the interval is 60 minutes, the factor is 2. The first retry will happen in +60 minutes, the second in +240 minutes , The setting is global and can be changed inside the master tenant only.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 2 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 10
<p>system.visual.notification.service.disable</p>	<p>Disables the visual notification service. This can speed up the UI when the database contains many event entries. This setting is global and can be changed inside the master tenant only.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
<p>system.msp.console.listening.port</p>	<p>TCP port used by the MSP product for listening to remote tenants. Port 6702 is used by default.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default: 6702 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 65535
<p>system.events.use.windows.event.integration</p>	<p>Use Windows Event log integration. Some product events will also be created in the Application log. The setting is global and can be changed inside the master tenant only.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked

<p>system.transporter.load.path.cost.variation.percent</p>	<p>Percent. Specifies the allowed data path cost variation.</p> <p>During the job run, automatic transporter selection may happen. The first step is to choose the top N (by cost in milliseconds) data paths. The second step is to choose the best data path based on the lowest transporter load.</p> <p>For example, 20 paths were found based on round trip time between source and target host.</p> <p>If the setting is 10%, the best path cost is 2 (N=2), then only paths with costs in range 2 ... 2.2 (2+0.2) will be chosen on the first step.</p> <p>The setting is global and can be changed inside the master tenant only.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default value: 10 • Minimum value: 1 • Maximum value: 10000
<p>system.vmware.discovery.vm.detect.ipaddress.by.dns.skip</p>	<p>The setting is applicable only to VMware vSphere infrastructure.</p> <p>If enabled, the detection of VM IP address via DNS resolution will be skipped.</p> <p>Note: Detection of VM IP address via DNS resolution is applied in case VMware Tools are not installed on the VM.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checked (default) • Unchecked
<p>system.job.default.retention.approach</p>	<p>Schedule-retention fusion: New backup and backup copy jobs will use the new schedule-retention step.</p> <p>Legacy: New backup and backup copy jobs will use the legacy schedule and retention steps.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schedule-retention fusion • Legacy

system.job.run.skip.infrastructure.refresh	If set, infrastructure refresh will be skipped during job run.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked
system.job.ict.skip.new.source.item	If set, new source items will not be added to the job automatically.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchecked (default) • Checked

Configuring Actions View

Click the **Actions** tab to configure the following actions:

- **Remove all events:** By clicking the link, you can remove all events/alarms/etc for the current tenant.
- **Forget all passwords (except users):** By clicking the link, you can set the stored passwords to "" for the current tenant items. The only exception is user passwords; they must be set manually.
- **Clean up job history:** By clicking the link, you can immediately apply the configured **Store job history for the last** setting.

In the text box, you can see the report on the actions.

Example 1

Request 1: sending (Remove all events)...

Request 1: success=true (Remove all events).

Example 2

Request 1: sending (Forget all passwords (except users))...

Request 1: success=true (Forget all passwords (except users)).

Example 3

Request 1: sending (Clean up job history)...

Request 1: success=true (Clean up job history).

Packages

By clicking the **Packages** tab, you can see the following information:

- **Base local path:** packages. Location of packages in product installation directory
- List of **Existing packages**
- List of **Supported packages**

Virtual Appliance Configuration

This section covers the following topics:

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Configuring Network Settings of Virtual Appliance

To configure networking on the Virtual Appliance (VA), follow the steps below:

1. Open the VA console.
2. On the main menu, select the **Network Settings** option and press **Enter**.
3. Do either of the following:
 - To change the Virtual Appliance hostname, select the **Hostname** option, press **Enter**, enter a new hostname, and press **Enter** again.
 - To configure a network card, select it and press **Enter**. Press **Enter** to switch between DHCP and manual network settings. If you set the **DHCP** option to **disabled**, you can manually set up network settings by selecting an option, pressing **Enter**, entering a new value, and pressing **Enter** again. Press **F10** to save your changes and exit.

Increasing Backup Repository Size on Virtual Appliance

A **Backup Repository** on a Virtual Appliance (VA) is located in a logical volume (that can spread across multiple physical volumes). To extend the **Backup Repository** size on the VA, you need to add a new disk to the VA and then use the VA console to extend the **Backup Repository** to the new disk.

The **Backup Repository** size on the VA cannot be increased by extending existing VA disks.

The backup repository size on the VA cannot be increased by extending existing VA disks. To increase the size of the backup repository on the Virtual Appliance, follow the steps below:

1. Attach a new disk to the VA.
2. Open the VA console in your hypervisor's client.
3. Run the following commands in the VA console depending on the NAKIVO Backup & Replication version you use:
 - For the product Version 8.1 and higher:
 - a. Select **Manage NAKIVO services** in the main menu and press **Enter**.
 - b. Select **Onboard repository storage** and press **Enter**.
 - For earlier product versions, select **Backup storage** in the main menu and press **Enter**.
4. Refresh the list of disks by pressing **F5**.
5. Select the disk that you have created and press **Enter**.
6. Press **Enter** again to confirm the procedure. The disk is formatted and added to the **Backup Repository** on the VA.

Removing the Disk with Backup Repository from Virtual Appliance

The Virtual Appliance (VA) comes with a 500 GB disk on which a **Backup Repository** is created. If you have deployed the Virtual Appliance disks using the **Thin Provision** option, then the disk does not consume 500 GB of space on your datastore – only the space occupied by VM backups is consumed.

If you still would like to delete the 500GB disk after you have deployed the Virtual Appliance, follow the steps below:

1. Log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
2. Go to the **Configuration > Repositories** tab.
3. Click **Onboard repository**
4. Click **Manage** and choose **Remove** from the menu.
5. In the message that opens, click the **Remove Repository and Delete Backups** button.
6. Click **Remove** to confirm that you wish to remove the **Backup Repository**.
7. Open the vSphere client and launch the console of the VA.
8. In the Virtual Appliance interface, select the **Exit to system console** option and press **Enter**.
9. Enter a login and password (default are `root/root`).
10. Run the following command to unmount the volume on which the **Backup Repository** is located:
`umount /opt/nakivo/repository`
11. Open the configuration file with the `nano` editor by running the following command:
`nano/etc/fstab`
12. In the editor, delete the line:
`dev/mapper/Volume_Group_Backup_Repository_500GB/Logical_Volume_Backup_Repository_500GB /opt/nakivo ext4 defaults 0 2`
13. Save changes by pressing **Ctrl+O**, and then pressing **Enter**.
14. Exit the editor by pressing **Ctrl+X**.
15. Power off the VA and delete the 500 GB disk.

Multi-Tenant Mode Configuration

This section covers the following topics:

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Changing Login and Password in Multi-Tenant Mode

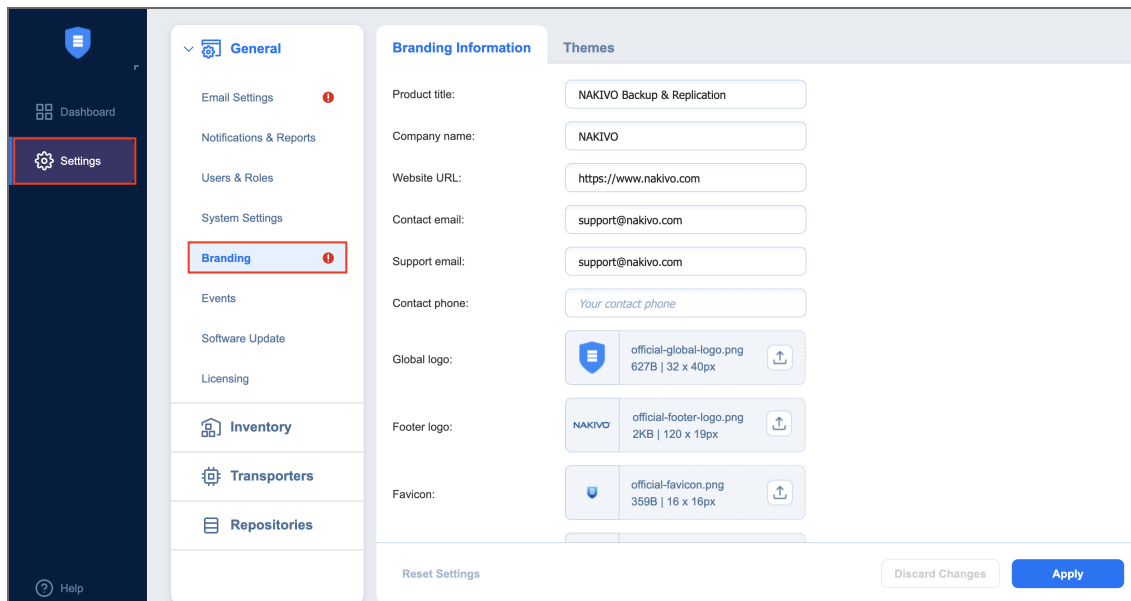
To change the login and password of the Master Admin, follow the steps below:

1. Log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication as a Master Admin.
2. Click **Configuration** in the upper right corner of the product.
3. Go to the **General** tab and click **Users and Roles**.
4. In the list of users that opens, click the Master Admin user.
5. For the Master Admin, enter data in the **Login**, **Password**, **Confirm Password**, and **Admin email** boxes and click **Apply**.

Configuring Branding Settings in Multi-Tenant Mode

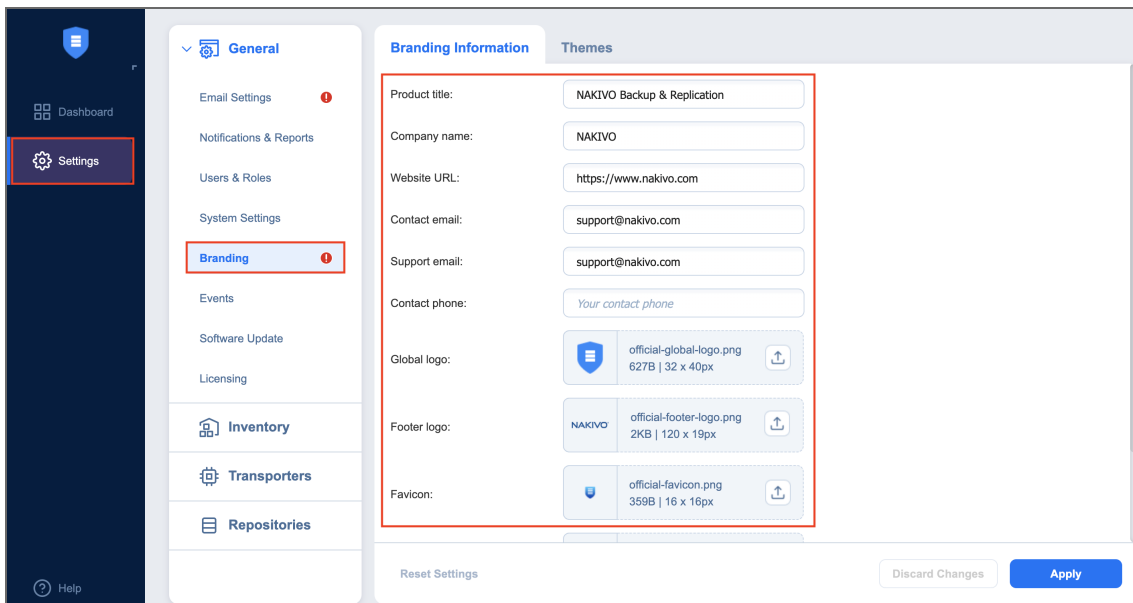
In the multi-tenant mode, you can change the product branding settings such as product name, logo, background, and so on. To configure the system settings, follow the steps below:

1. Log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication as a Master Admin.
2. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
3. Go to the **General** tab and click **Branding**.



4. Do the following:
 - To change the product title, company name, website URL, contact email, support email, and contact phone, type a new value in the appropriate field

- To change the product logo, background, and default tenant logo, click **Change** click on the appropriate box, select a new image, and click **Open**.



5. Click **Apply**.

Note

During upload, the logo and bookmark icon images are resized internally while preserving the aspect ratio. The background image is used as it is. To get the best image quality, follow the recommendations below:

Image	Best format	Best resolution
Global logo	.png	40x40
Page background	.jpeg	1920x1440
Bookmark icon	.png	16x16
Default tent logo	.png	120x95

Configuring Email Notifications in Multi-Tenant Mode

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can send notifications and reports over email. To configure the email notifications, follow the steps below:

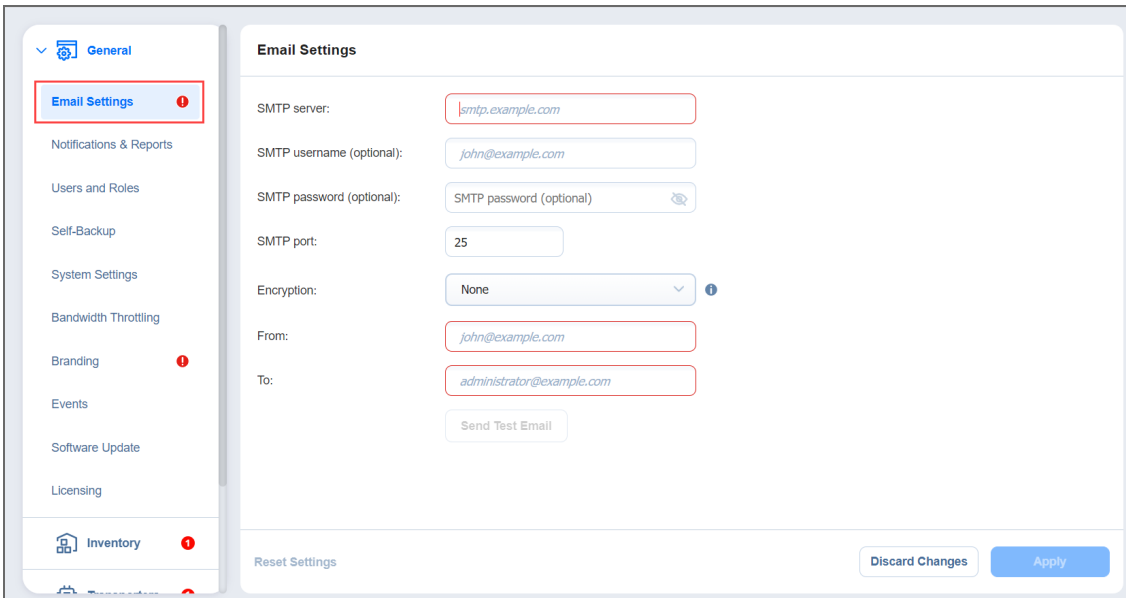
1. Make sure you have configured your [email settings](#).
2. Log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication as a Master Admin.
3. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product and go to the **General** tab.
4. Click **Email settings**.
5. In the **Email Notifications** section, select the options as appropriate:
 - a. **Send alarm (error) notifications:** If selected, this will send notifications about a job, repository, infrastructure, connection, and other failures to email addresses specified in the text field. Use a semicolon to separate multiple email addresses.
 - b. **Send warning notifications:** If selected, this will send warning notifications on non-critical events, such as infrastructure change, to email addresses specified in the text field. Use a semicolon to separate multiple email addresses.
 - c. **Limit email notification frequency to:** Set a limit to how often email notifications are sent.
6. In the **Automatic Reports** section, select or deselect the following automatic reports options:
 - **Attach PDF copy to automatic reports:** Specify whether you wish to include a copy of the PDF report with notifications.
 - **Send tenant Overview reports on schedule to:** If this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will generate an Overview report (which includes information about all jobs and groups in the product) on the date and time specified in the scheduler and will send the report to the recipients specified in the text field. Use a semicolon to separate multiple email addresses.
 - **Send tenant Protection Coverage reports on schedule to:** If this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will generate the Protection Coverage report (which includes information about all VMs & instances protected by backup and/or replication jobs as well as the information about all unprotected VMs & instances) on the date and time specified in the scheduler and will send the report to the recipients specified in the text field. Use a semicolon to separate multiple email addresses.
 - Click **Apply**.

Configuring Email Settings in Multi-Tenant Mode

Configure email settings so that NAKIVO Backup & Replication can send email notifications as well as reports over email. If email settings are not configured, tenants will not be able to configure email notifications for their jobs. To configure email settings, follow the steps below:

1. Log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication as a Master Admin.
2. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
3. Go to the **General** tab and click **Email notifications**.
4. In the **Email Settings** section, enter data in the boxes, and click **Send Test Email** to verify the settings are correct.

After the email settings are configured, you can configure the product [email notifications](#).



The screenshot shows the 'Email Settings' configuration page in the NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface. The left sidebar is under the 'General' tab, with 'Email Settings' highlighted. The main content area contains the following fields:

- SMTP server:
- SMTP username (optional):
- SMTP password (optional):
- SMTP port:
- Encryption:
- From:
- To:

At the bottom of the form, there is a 'Send Test Email' button, a 'Reset Settings' link, and two buttons: 'Discard Changes' and 'Apply'.

Configuring System Settings in Multi-Tenant Mode

To configure the system settings, follow the steps below:

1. Log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication as a Master Admin.
2. Click **Settings** in the left pane of the product.
3. Go to the **General** tab and click **System settings**.
4. Select or deselect the following options:
 - **Store system events for the last X days:** This option specifies the time period (from 10 to 365 days) during which the application events will be kept. Older events are automatically deleted.
 - **Auto log out after X minutes of inactivity:** If this option is selected, the current user will be automatically logged out of the product after the specified period of inactivity.
 - **Auto upload support bundles to support team server:** If this option is enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will automatically create, encrypt, and upload support bundles once a day to a NAKIVO support server during the evaluation period. The NAKIVO Support team may use this information to improve the product experience and will be able to identify and resolve product issues faster.
 - **Enable built-in support chat:** If selected, this will allow you to chat with the NAKIVO support team.
 - **Display special offers:** If selected, this will show a toolbar with special offers in the GUI.
 - **Continue product update if self-backup fails:** If selected, product update will proceed even if automatic self-backup cannot be performed.
 - **Tape options:** These present you with setting options for tape devices:
 - **Auto erase expired tapes:** If selected, expired tape cartridges will be erased automatically.
 - **Wait for next tape for:** Specify for how long the system needs to wait for the next tape cartridge if there is no appropriate one. Select the **Send email notification** checkbox to allow you to receive email notifications.
 - **Auto refresh tapes every:** Select how often the contents of tape cartridges are to be refreshed in minutes or hours. Deselect if no refreshing is required.
 - **Regional options:** Set the clock format, short date format, long date format, first day of the week, decimal symbol, and default time zone in the corresponding fields.
- In the **Web Interface TLS/SSL Certificate** section, you can either:
 - **View current certificate:** A dialog containing the current certificate information opens.
 - **Install new certificate:** A dialog opens, allowing you to install a new TLS/SSL certificate for the NAKIVO Backup & Replication web interface. Certificates are generated either internally or through certification authorities. Proceed as follows to install a new certificate:

- Click **Browse** and navigate to the location of either of the following certificate file types:
 - **Private key:** A file in the *.key format.
 - **Private key password (optional):** A password for your private key.
 - **Certificate file:** A file in the *.pem, *.crt, *.cer, *.p7b, or *.p7s format.
 - **Intermediate certificate (optional):** A file in the *.pem, *.crt, *.cer, *.p7b, *.p7s format.
- Click Install.

Note

In the Web Interface TLS/SSL Certificate section, you can see a notification about imminent TLS/SSL certificate expiration in 30 days and onwards. If your certificate has expired, you will be asked to install a valid certificate.

Exporting and Importing Configuration in Multi-Tenant Mode

System configuration export and import are recommended for easy migration to new product deployment. System configuration, such as jobs, user credentials, inventory items, Transporter and Backup Repository settings, is all exported into a single export bundle.

The export bundle can be applied to a new deployment.

To export system configuration from the old deployment, follow the steps below:

1. Open **Settings** in the old deployment.
2. Go to the **General** tab and click **System migration**.
3. Click **Export system configuration**.
4. In the dialog box that opens, click **Export**.
5. Click **Proceed** to confirm the operation.

Note

All activities in the old deployment (such as jobs and recovery sessions) will be automatically stopped and disabled.

6. Wait until the export is completed, and download the export bundle.

To import system configuration into the new deployment, follow the steps below:

1. Open **Settings** in the new deployment.
2. Go to the **General** tab and click **System migration**.
3. Click **Import system configuration**.
4. In the dialog window that appears, locate the export bundle using the **Browse** button.
5. Click **Import**.
6. Click **Proceed** to confirm the operation.

Note

If there is any existing data in the new deployment, it will be overwritten with the import operation.

7. Wait until the import is completed, and close the dialog box.

Notes

1. Data contained in backup repositories is not migrated to the new location automatically. If you are using a locally attached Backup Repository, the physical data must be **copied or moved** to the new location manually.

After moving the files you may need to **edit** the Backup Repository settings in the new deployment so that the new settings refer to the actual Backup Repository location.

2. If a custom TLS/SSL certificate of the Web server was used in the old deployment, a manual service restart will be required in the new deployment.

Support Bundles

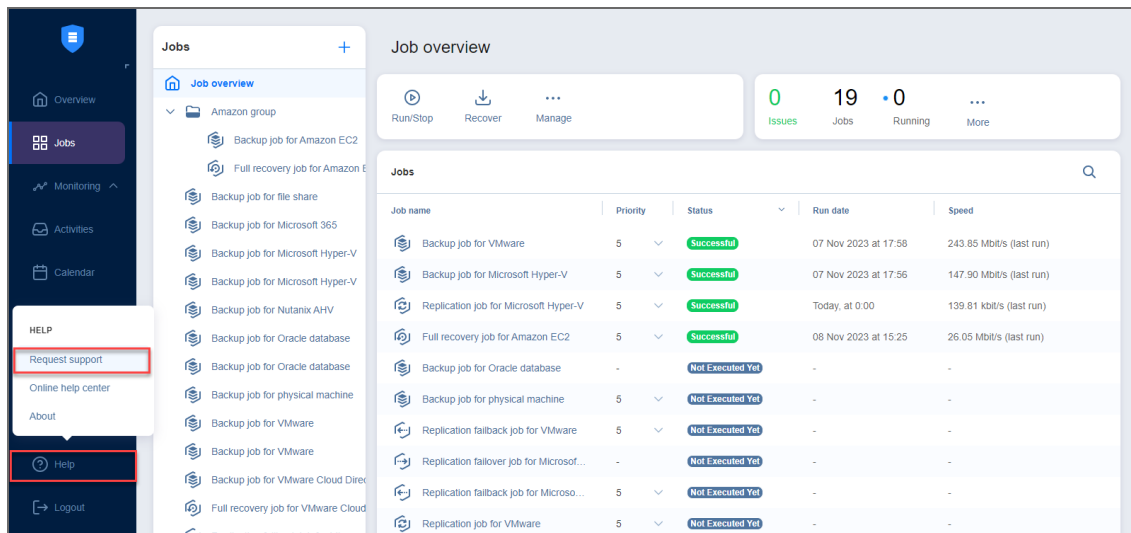
NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides you with the ability to create support bundles – a zipped collection of the product logs and system information. Sending a support bundle to the NAKIVO Support Team allows them to quickly identify the root cause of issues and suggest a proper solution.

- [Creating Support Bundles](#)
- [Sending Support Bundles](#)

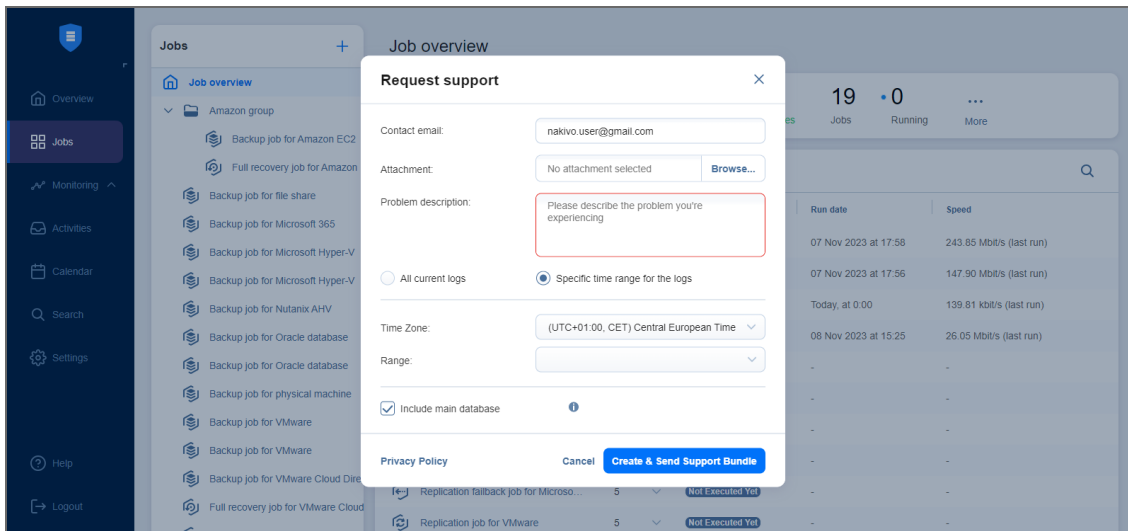
Creating Support Bundles

Before creating a support bundle, make sure [Email settings](#) are configured. To create a support bundle, follow these steps:

1. Click the "?" (**Help**) icon in the lower-left corner of the web UI.
2. Select and click **Request support**. The dialog box will appear.



3. Enter a description of your problem in the **Please describe the problem you're experiencing** box.
4. Enter your email address in the **Contact email** box.
5. If necessary, upload an attachment by clicking **Browse**.
6. Select **All current logs** if you wish to include all current log files to the support bundle.
7. Select **Specific time range for the logs** if you want to include the log files within the specific time range.
8. To specify the time range, click the **Range** dropdown and use the **From** and **To** selectors to set the time range; click **Apply**.
9. Optionally, click **Include main database** (recommended).
10. Click **Create & Send Support Bundle** to send the support bundle to NAKIVO Support Team. You will receive an answer from the NAKIVO Support Team within one business day.



Sending Support Bundles Manually

Some support bundles may become overly large in size. This can occur due to large log files or file dumps. In such cases, it is recommended to upload these files manually.

To do this, follow these steps:

1. Open the [Upload Files to NAKIVO Support](#) page.
2. In the *Files* section, click **Browse** and select up to three files. You can select more than three files by clicking **Add Another File**.

Note

You can upload any files relevant to your issue: logs, file dumps, or the support bundles that you have manually downloaded from the product's UI.

3. Enter your email address in the **Contact email** field.
4. You can also enter the ID of your support ticket in the **Ticket ID** field if you have one opened.
5. Optionally, enter a description in the **Description** field.
6. Click **Upload** when you're done uploading the file(s).

Note

Wait for a successful upload notification before closing the page.

Built-in Support Chat

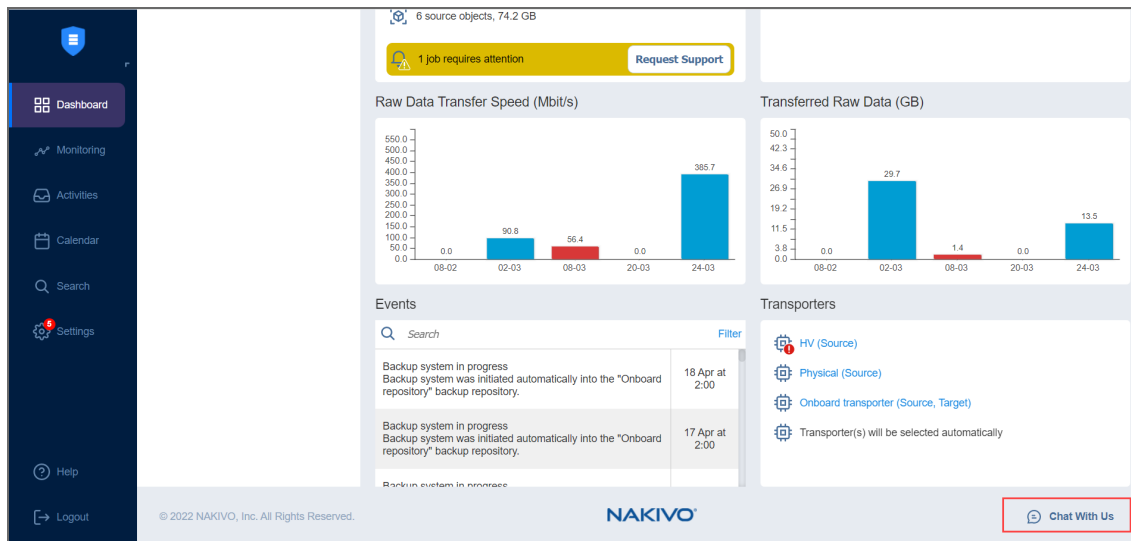
You have the possibility to contact a NAKIVO representative via chat in the NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface.

- [Opening Built-in Support Chat](#)
- [Sending Files in Built-in Support Chat](#)
- [Sending Feedback to Built-in Support Chat](#)
- [Sending Email Transcript of Built-in Support Chat](#)
- [Disabling/Enabling Sound Notifications](#)
- [Disabling Built-in Support Chat](#)

Opening Built-in Support Chat

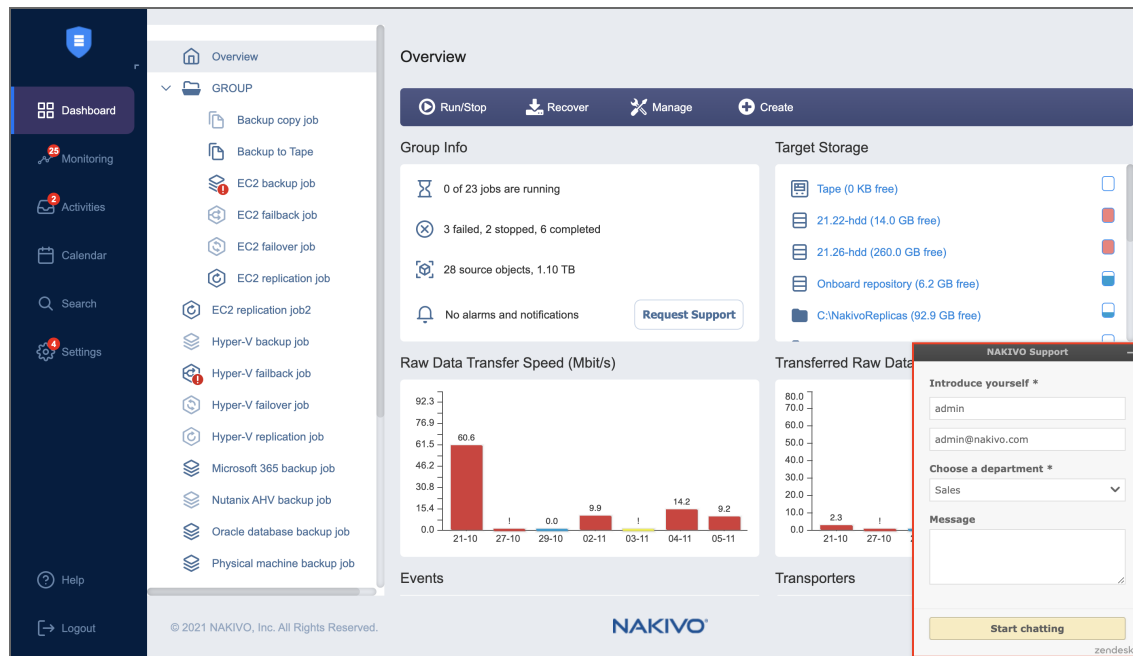
To open **Built-in Support Chat**, follow the steps below:

1. In the lower right corner of the NAKIVO Backup & Replication interface, click the chat button.



2. The **NAKIVO Support** dialog box opens. Introduce yourself by providing the following information:
 - a. In the upper box of the dialog box, enter your name.
 - b. In the box below, enter your email address.
3. Choose a department from the list of available departments.

4. Enter your message text and click **Start Chatting**.



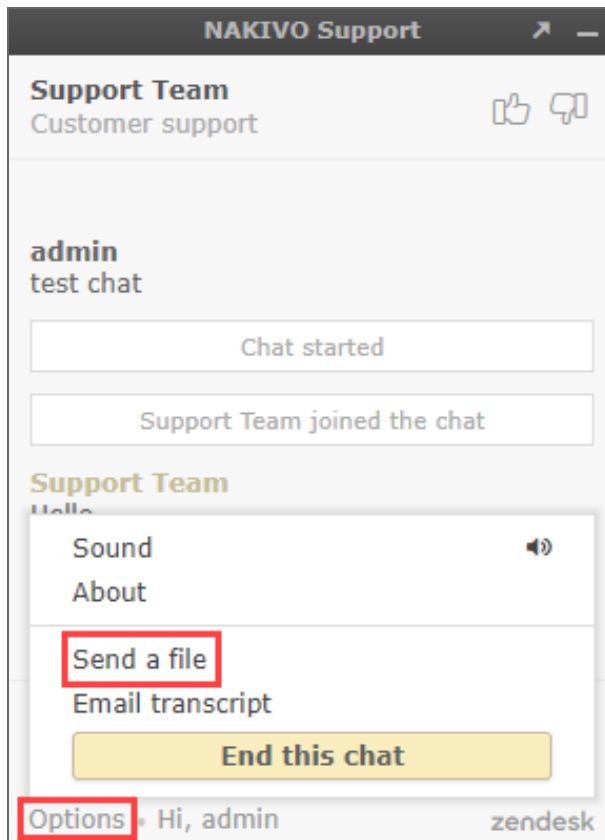
5. Your message is sent to a NAKIVO representative and will be processed as soon as possible. If needed, click the **Send Another** button to proceed with sending another chat message.

Sending Files in Built-in Support Chat

Please use either of the following ways to send your files in the **Built-in Support Chat**:

- Drag and drop: open **Windows File Explorer**, select necessary files, and then drag them and drop to the chat dialog.
- **Built-in Support Chat** interface:
 1. In the upper left corner of the Built-in Support Chat dialog, click **Options**.
 2. In the dialog that opens, click **Send a file**.

3. The **Open** dialog opens. Navigate to the location of your files, select them and then click **Open**.



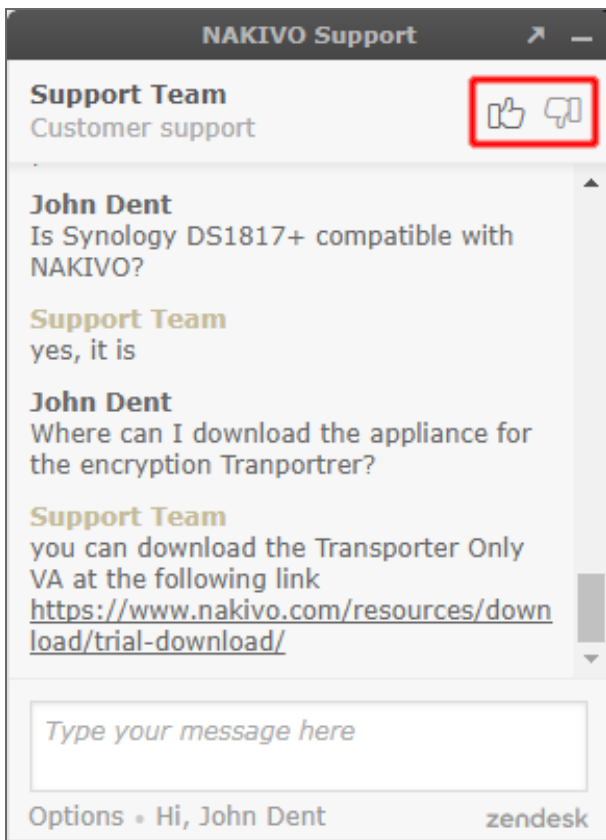
Note

The following file formats are allowed: .pdf, .png, .jpeg, .gif, .txt. The maximum file size is 20 MB.

Sending Feedback to Built-in Support Chat

You have the possibility of sending feedback to **Built-in Support Chat**: in the upper right corner of the dialog, click **Good** or **Bad**, as you deem appropriate.

If appropriate, leave a comment for NAKIVO Support Team: click **Leave a comment** and in the text box that opens, enter your comment about the chat service. Then click **Send**.

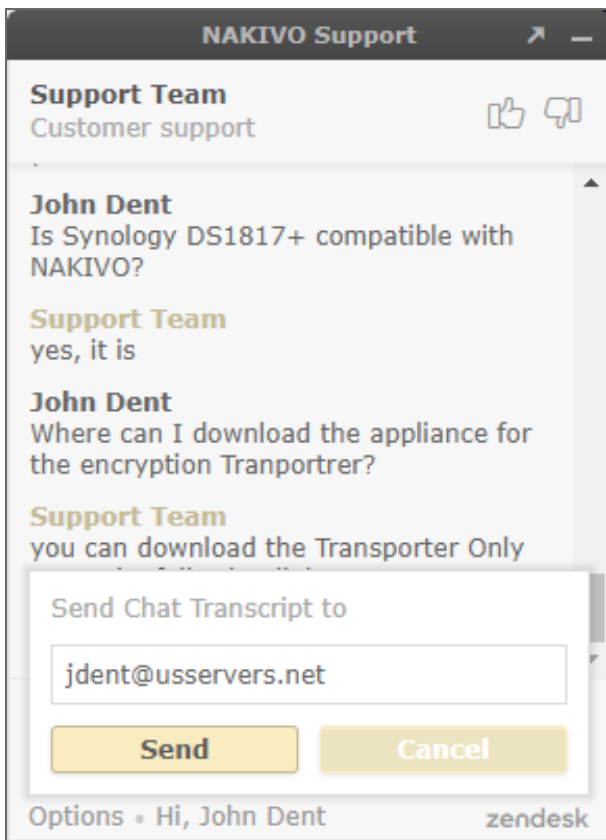


Sending Email Transcript of Built-in Support Chat

Follow the steps below to send the transcript of your **Built-in Support Chat** session:

1. In the upper left corner of the Built-in Support Chat dialog, click **Options**.
2. In the dialog that opens, click **Email transcript**.
3. In the dialog that opens, make sure the email address of the recipient is correct, and then click **Send**.

Your **Built-in Support Chat** transcript will be sent to the specified email recipient.



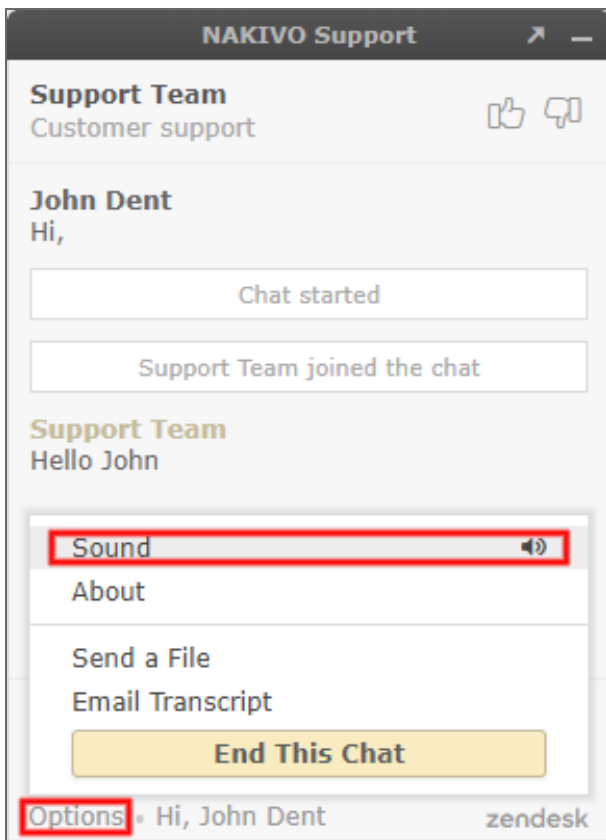
Disabling/Enabling Sound Notifications

By default, sound notifications are enabled for **Built-in Support Chat**.

Do the following to disable sound notifications in **Built-in Support Chat**:

1. In the upper left corner of the **Built-in Support Chat** dialog, click **Options**.
2. In the dialog that opens, click **Sound**.
3. Close the options dialog.

Sound notifications will be disabled for **Built-in Support Chat**.



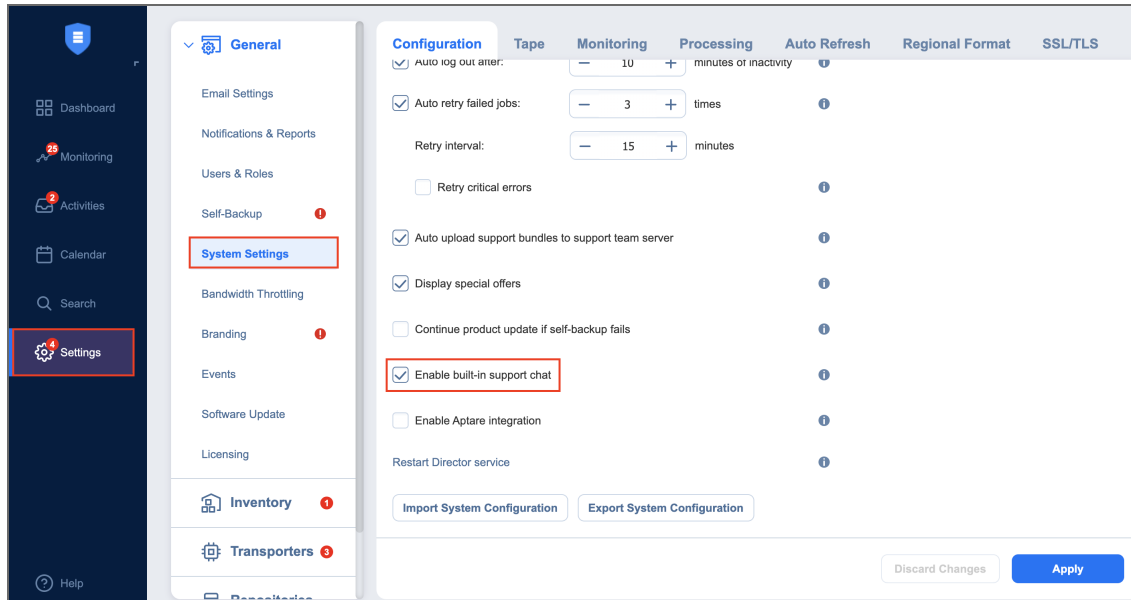
Disabling Built-in Support Chat

By default, the built-in support chat is enabled in your instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Do the following to disable built-in support chat:

1. Go to **Settings > General > System settings**.
2. Click **Edit** to make system settings editable and then deselect the **Enable built-in support chat** checkbox.

3. Click the **Apply** button.



Note

When disabled, the **Built-in Support Chat** will not be available in all tenants of the NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance in Multi-tenant mode.

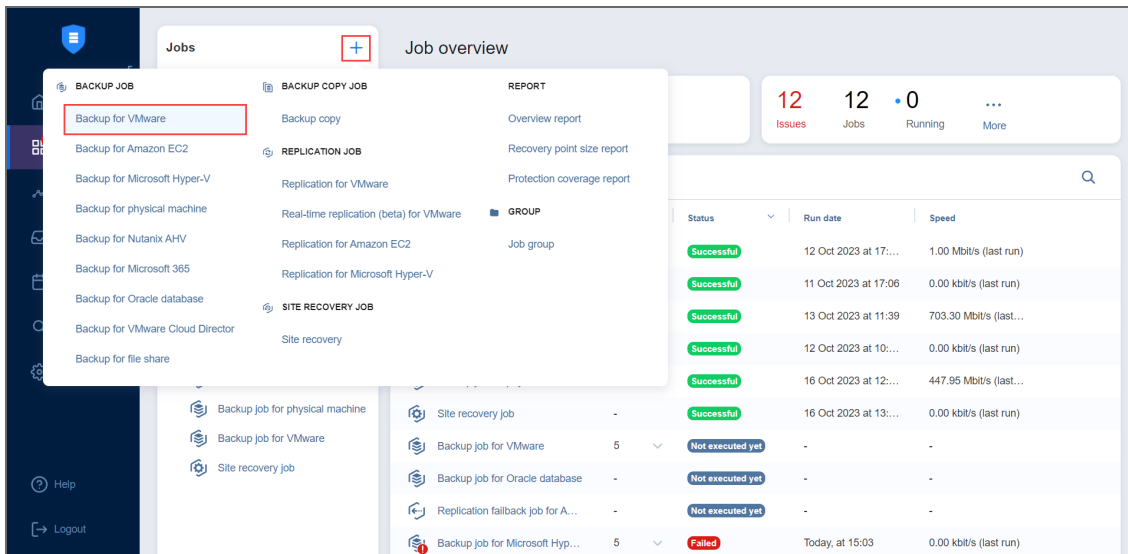
Backup

This section contains the following topics:

- [“Creating VMware Backup Jobs” on page 688](#)
- [“Creating Backup Copy Jobs” on page 725](#)
- [“Backing Up to Tape” on page 753](#)
- [“Staging \(Seeding\) Initial Backup” on page 777](#)
- [“Deleting Backups” on page 778](#)

Creating VMware Backup Jobs

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can [back up](#) VMware VMs by creating a backup job that specifies which VMs should be backed up, where the backups should be located, how often the backup should be run, and what backup options should be used. To create a backup job, click the plus **Create** button in the **Jobs** menu and then click **Backup for VMware**.



The **New Backup Job Wizard for VMware** opens. Complete the wizard as described in the sections below:

- [“Backup Job Wizard for VMware: Source”](#) on page 689
- [“Backup Job Wizard for VMware: Destination”](#) on page 693
- [“Backup Job Wizard for VMware: Schedule”](#) on page 697
- [“Backup Job Wizard for VMware: Retention”](#) on page 707
- [“Backup Job Wizard for VMware: Options”](#) on page 709

Backup Job Wizard for VMware: Source

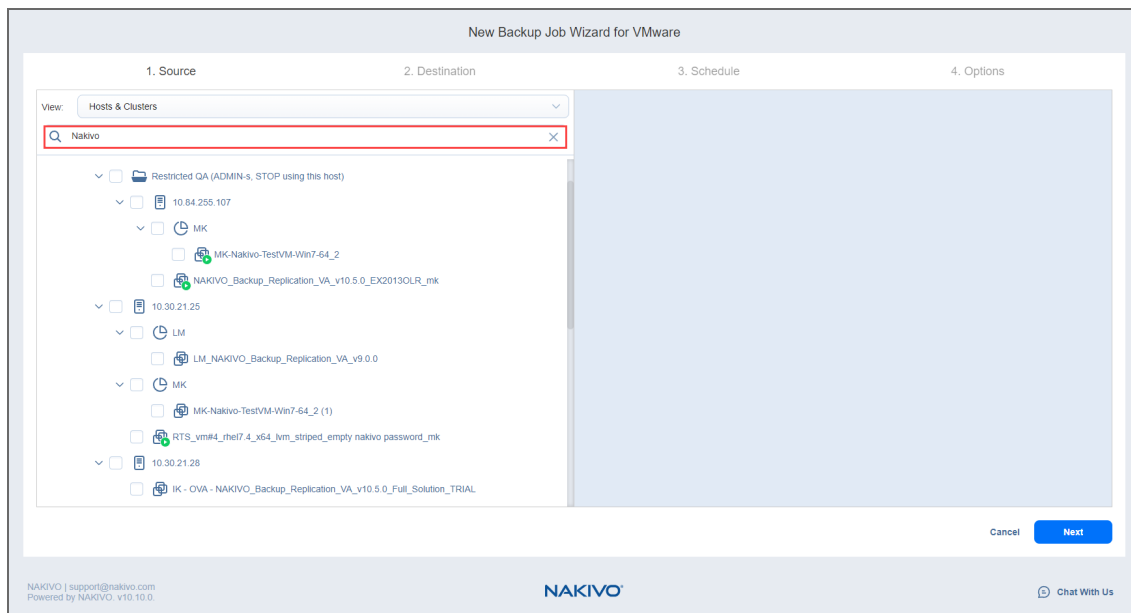
On the **Source** page in the wizard, you can add VMware VMs to your backup job by using one of the inventory views. Proceed as described in the sections below:

- [Hosts and Clusters](#)
- [VMs and Templates](#)
- [Policy](#)

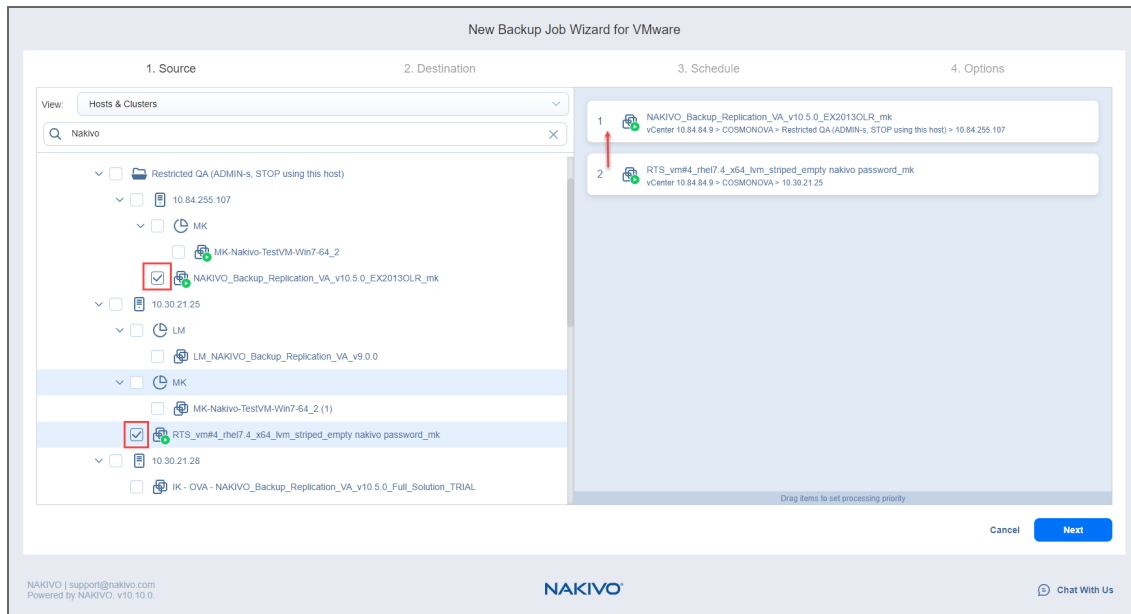
Hosts and Clusters

When **Hosts & Clusters** view is selected, the inventory tree opens in the left pane and displays all VMware items: clusters, hosts, folders, resource pools, and VMs. Proceed as follows:

1. Optionally, you can filter the inventory tree by entering a string into the **Search** box. You can enter a part of the entire name of the item.

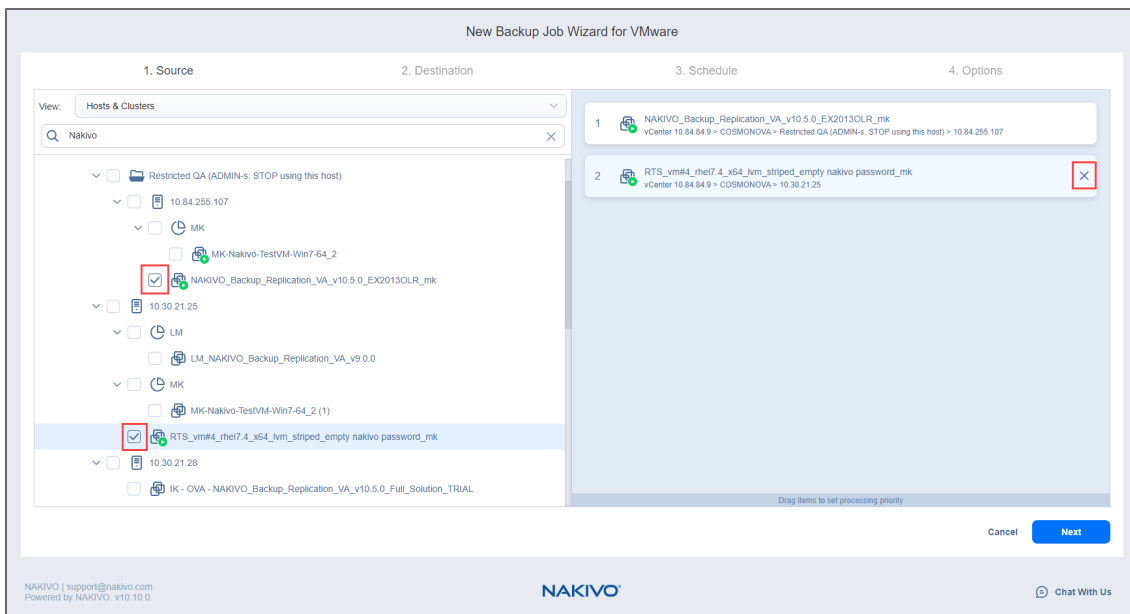


2. Select VMware items by placing a checkmark to the left of each item.
3. The selected items appear in the right pane of the page. You can drag a VM or a container with the pointer to a new position to reorder the selected items. By doing that, you can specify to back up the most important VMs first.



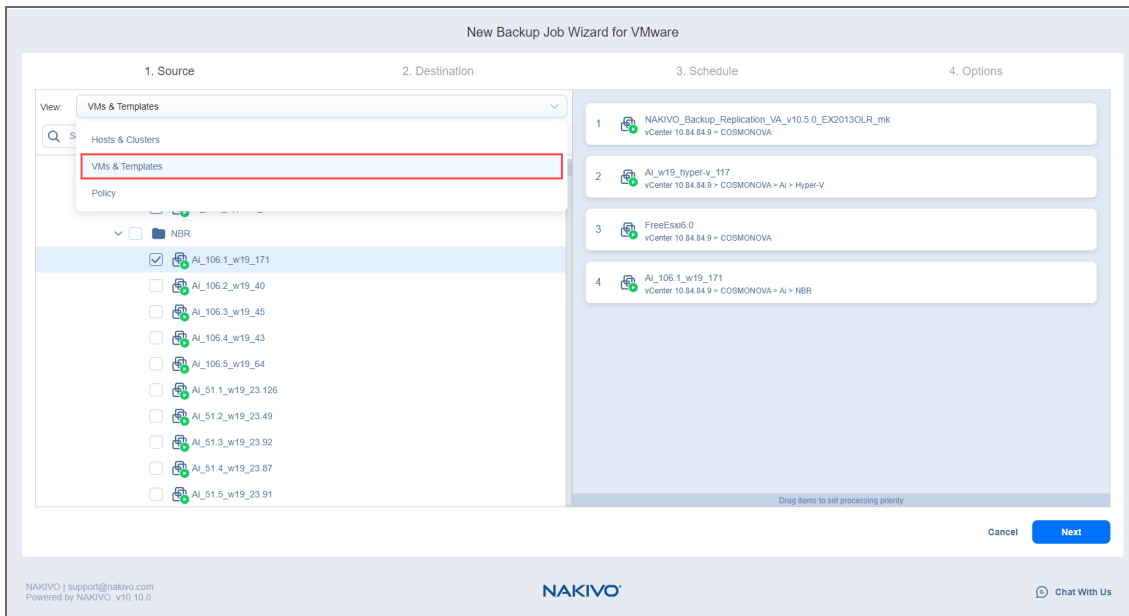
4. Review the list of selected VMware items. You can remove a selected VM or a container from the backup job in one of the following ways:

- Deselect the object in the left pane. This will remove the object from the right pane; OR
- In the right pane, hover the pointer over the item you want to remove and click "X" icon. This will deselect the object in the left pane.



VMs and Templates

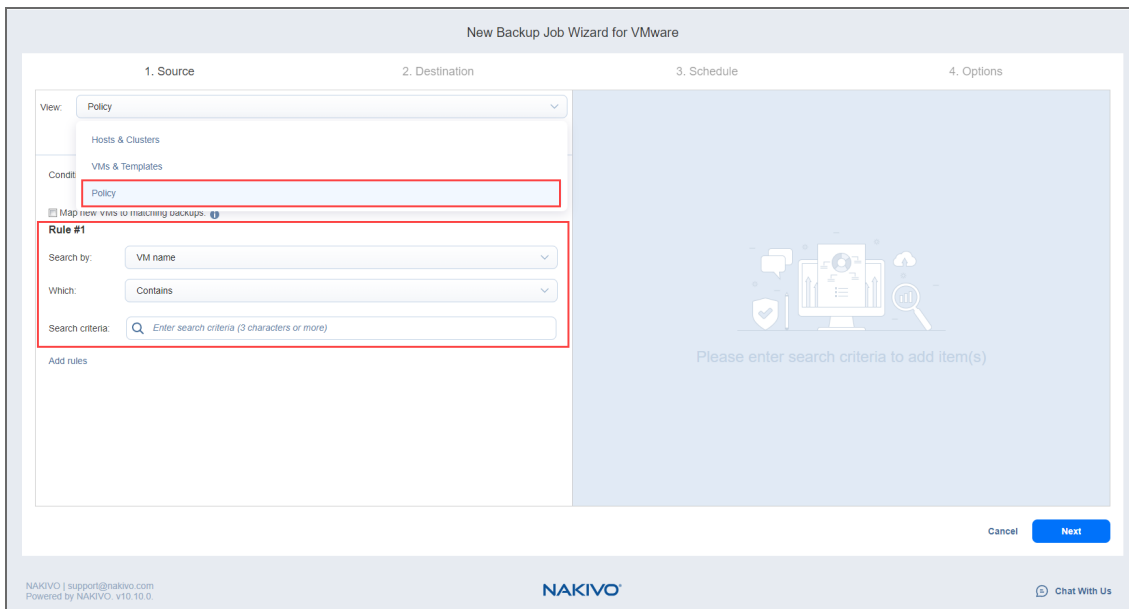
When the **VMs & Templates** view is selected, the inventory tree displays VMware hosts, VMs, and VM templates. Proceed as it was described for the **Hosts & Clusters** view above.



Policy

When the **Policy** view is selected, job policies can be used. Refer to [“Managing Job Policies” on page 331](#) for details. Follow the steps below:

1. If the items are selected in alternate views, a dialog box opens warning you that switching to the **Policy** view will reset your current selection. Click **Switch View** to confirm switching to the **Policy** view.
2. Add at least one rule to the job policy. Refer to [“Managing Policy Rules” on page 334](#) for details.
3. Click **Next** to confirm adding selected VMs to the backup job. The wizard will display the next page.



Notes

- If you cannot find a VM or a container, try the following:
 - Make sure that the corresponding vCenter or ESXi host has been added to the inventory.
 - [“Refreshing Inventory” on page 476.](#)
- By adding a VMware container to the job, you ensure that important VMs are always protected. If you add a VMware container to the job:
 - All VMs currently available in the selected container will be backed up.
 - All new VMs that are created in (or moved to) the container in the future will be automatically added to the job and backed up.
- The order in which VMs are backed up is important if the Transporter performing the backup cannot process all VMs of the job simultaneously – either because the Transporter is processing other jobs at the same time or because the number of VM disks in the job exceeds the Transporter’s maximum Load specified during the Transporter creation.

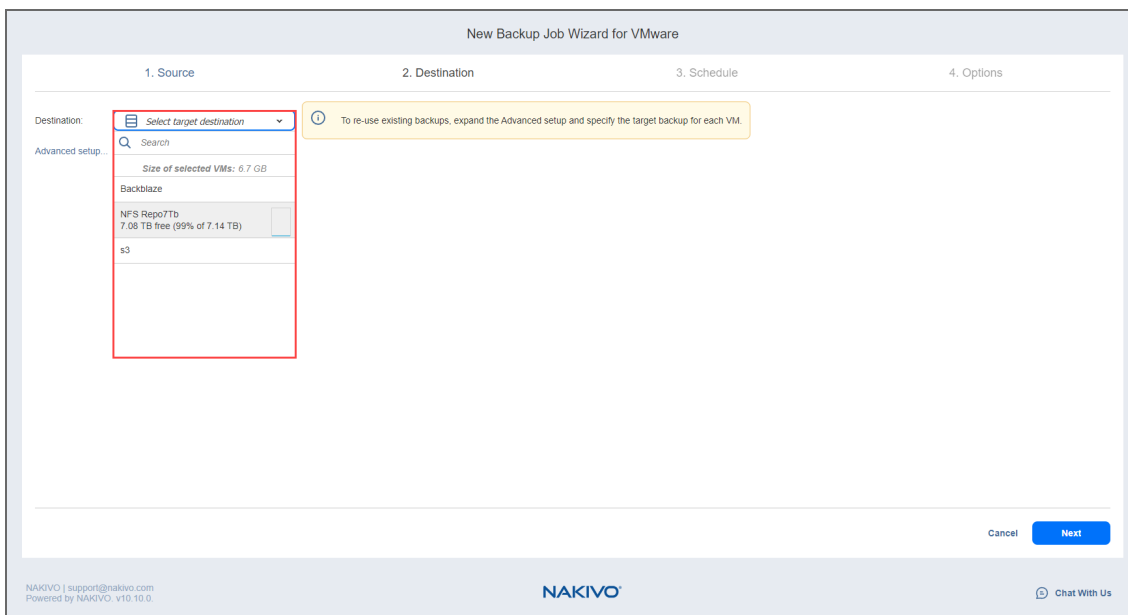
Backup Job Wizard for VMware: Destination

On the **Destination** page of the wizard, you can select one or different Backup Repositories to back up your VMs. Proceed as described in the sections below:

- [Setting a Single Backup Repository for All VMs](#)
- [Setting Different Backup Repositories for VMs](#)
- [Mapping Source VMs to Existing Backups](#)
- [Excluding VM Disks from the Backup Job](#)

Setting a Single Backup Repository for All VMs

To back up the VMs selected on the previous page to a single Backup Repository, choose a Backup Repository from the **Backup repository** drop-down list.



Setting Different Backup Repositories for VMs

To back up the selected VMs to different Backup Repositories, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Advanced setup**
2. In the VM boxes, choose a Backup Repository for each VM individually from the Target destination

drop-down list.

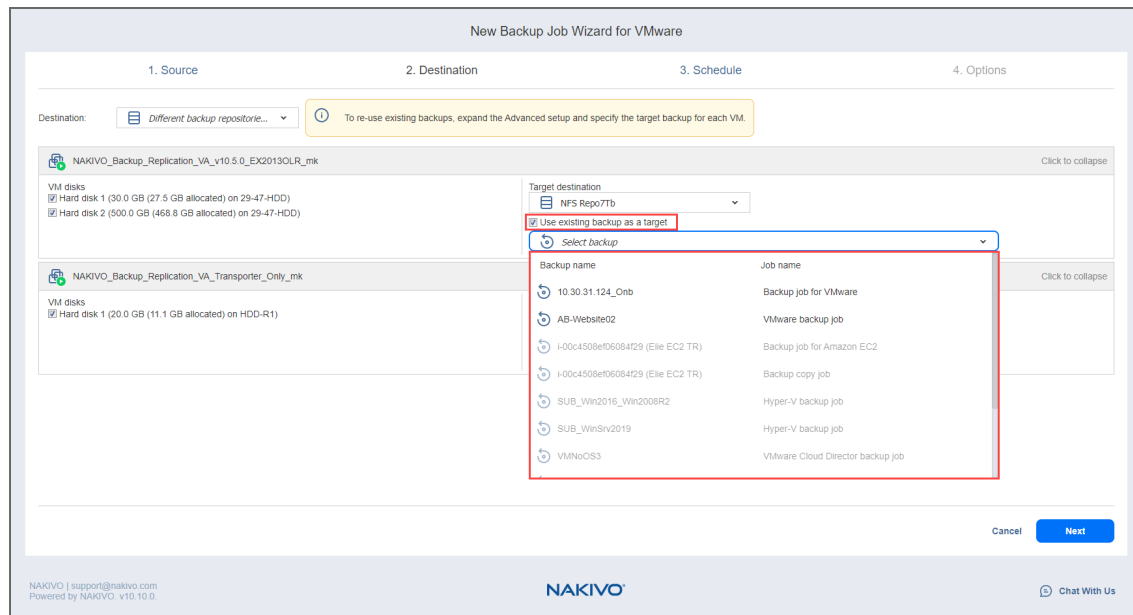
Mapping Source VMs to Existing Backups

If you have previously backed up a VM and then lost the backup job due to accidental job deletion or a need to recreate jobs in a new copy of the product, you can map source VMs to existing backups in order to avoid running full VM backups again.

To map source VMs to existing backups, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Advanced setup**.
2. From the **Backup repository** drop-down list, choose a Backup Repository that contains an existing VM backup.
3. Select the **Use existing backup as a target** option and choose an existing backup from the drop-down

list.



When you run the job, the product will analyze the target VM you have selected, determine how it is different from the source VM, and transfer only the differential data.

VM backup mapping can be a time-consuming process that can be equal to the time required to create a full VM backup.

After the job is completed, a new recovery point will be created and existing recovery points will not be changed or overwritten.

Excluding VM Disks from the Backup Job

If you do not want to back up certain VM disks, you can exclude those disks from the backup job by following the steps below:

1. Click **Advanced setup**
2. Cancel the selection of the VM disks that you do not want to back up.

New Backup Job Wizard for VMware

1. Source 2. Destination 3. Schedule 4. Options

Destination: ☰ Different backup repository... 📌 To re-use existing backups, expand the Advanced setup and specify the target backup for each VM.

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VM disks

- Hard disk 1 (30.0 GB (27.5 GB allocated) on 29-47-HDD)
- Hard disk 2 (500.0 GB (468.8 GB allocated) on 29-47-HDD)

Target destination

- ☰ NFS Repo7Tb
- Use existing backup as a target
- 🔄 AB-Website02

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VM disks

- Hard disk 1 (20.0 GB (11.1 GB allocated) on HDD-R1)

Target destination

- ☰ s3
- Use existing backup as a target
- 🔄 Select backup

Cancel Next

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Backup Job Wizard for VMware: Schedule

On the **Schedule** page of the wizard, select to run the backup job manually or schedule the job to run on a regular basis.

Proceed as described in the sections below:

- [Switching to Improved Retention Approach](#)
- [Creating New Schedules](#)
 - [Weekly](#)
 - [Monthly](#)
 - [Yearly](#)
 - [Periodical](#)
 - [After another job](#)
- [Creating Legacy Schedules](#)
 - [Daily or Weekly Backup](#)
 - [Monthly or Yearly Backup](#)
 - [Periodic Backup](#)
 - [Chained Job](#)

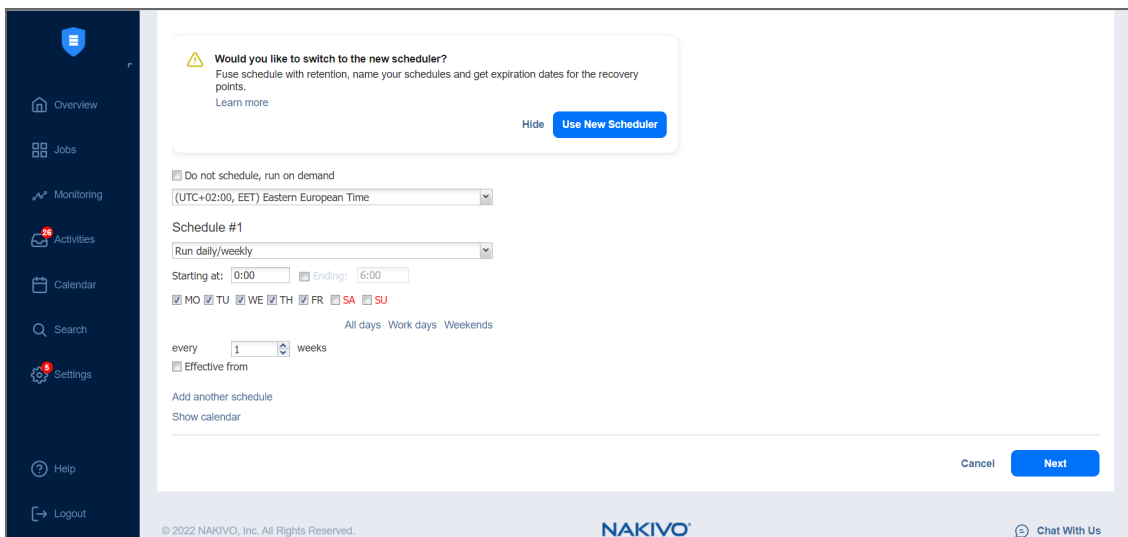
Switching to Improved Retention Approach

NAKIVO Backup & Replication offers two approaches to retention and scheduling: the legacy or the improved approach. To learn more about how the legacy and improved approaches work, go [here](#). If you create a new job or edit the existing one that uses the legacy approach, a popup appears offering that you to switch to the improved retention approach in the following cases:

- You have updated your instance of the product to v10.8 or later from an older version.
- You have imported a configuration to an instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication v10.8 or later from an older version.

Note

If you install NAKIVO Backup & Replication v10.8 or higher, the new approach is enabled by default.



After the popup appears, do one of the following actions:

- If you do not want to switch to the new scheduler, click **Hide** to close the popup. You can later click **Use New Scheduler** on the **Schedule** page to proceed with the change if you change your mind.
- Alternatively, click **Use New Scheduler** in the popup. Next, choose one of the following options:
 - **MIGRATE SETTINGS:** When you select this option, the existing schedules are automatically converted to new schedules and the existing retention settings are mapped to the new schedules.
 - **CREATE NEW SCHEDULES:** When you select this option, you can create new schedules using the existing retention settings. Old schedules will be deleted.
 - **CONFIGURE SETTINGS ANEW:** Select this option to reset all existing schedules and retention settings and configure them from scratch.

Notes

- After switching to the new scheduler, the legacy schedule and retention settings are displayed on the right side of the page.
- After switching to the new scheduler, reverting to the legacy schedule and retention settings is impossible.
- You can learn how expiration dates are assigned to recovery points after migration [here](#).

Creating New Schedules

Before creating a new schedule, you can optionally enable the following settings:

- **Do not schedule, run on demand:** Enable this option if you want to start the job manually.
- **Prioritize schedules:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication starts treating schedules based on their priority. The **Yearly** schedule will have higher priority than the **Monthly** schedule, etc. In case 2 or more schedules overlap, the schedules with lower priority will be skipped.

- Optionally, when creating any type of schedule, click **Show Calendar** to show the calendar or **Hide Calendar** to hide it.

When **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage, or Local Folder** is selected as the Backup Repository Type and the only backup destination, you can make recovery points in these repositories immutable during schedule creation. With immutability enabled, the recovery points are immutable and stored using the write-once-read-many (WORM) model. With **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, or Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage** types of Backup Repository, immutable recovery points cannot be overwritten, deleted, or changed by the root user until the specified period has expired. For Local Folder type of Backup Repository, the root user can still clear immutability.

Notes

For the Immutability section to be available, the following conditions must be met:

- **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage, or Local Folder** must be selected for Backup Repository Type on the Destination page of the wizard.
- When **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, or Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage** is selected as the Backup Repository Type, the bucket or blob container with the repository must have Object Lock or version-level immutability enabled respectively as well as Versioning.
- For **Local Folder** type of Backup Repository, see [feature requirements](#).

When creating the schedules, you can create schedules of the following types:

Weekly

You can configure the following options for this schedule type:

- **Schedule title:** Designates the number of a schedule.
- **Name:** Enter the name of your schedule.
- **Repeat every X weeks:** Indicates how often the schedule is repeated.
- **Days:** Select specific days when the schedule executes the job.
- **Start at:** Specify the time when the job should start.
- **End at:** Specify the time when the job should end.
- Optionally, select the **Effective from** checkbox and choose the date when the schedule should come into effect.
- **Keep backups for:** Specify how many days, months, or years NAKIVO Backup & Replication should retain the backups.
- **Immutable for X days:** Enabling this option makes the recovery points immutable for the specified number of days.

- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.

Monthly

You can configure the following options for this schedule type:

- **Schedule title:** Designates the number of a schedule.
- **Name:** Enter the name of your schedule.
- **Repeat every X months:** Indicates how often the schedule is repeated.
- **Run every:** Select specific days of the month when NAKIVO Backup & Replication executes the job.
- **Start at:** Specify the time when the job should start.
- **End at:** Specify the time when the job should end.
- Optionally, select the **Effective from** checkbox and choose the date when the schedule should come into effect.
- **Keep backups for:** Specify how many days, months, or years NAKIVO Backup & Replication should keep the backups.
- **Immutable for X days:** Enabling this option makes the recovery points immutable for the specified number of days.

- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.

Yearly

You can configure the following options for this schedule type:

- **Schedule title:** Designates the number of a schedule.
- **Name:** Enter the name of your schedule.
- **Run every:** Select specific days of the specific month when NAKIVO Backup & Replication executes the job.
- Optionally, select the **Effective from** checkbox and choose the date when the schedule should come into effect.
- **Keep backups for:** Specify how many days, months, or years NAKIVO Backup & Replication should keep the backups.
- **Immutable for X days:** Enabling this option makes the recovery points immutable for the specified number of days.

- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.

The screenshot shows the 'New Backup Job Wizard for VMware' interface, specifically the '3. Schedule' step. The interface is divided into four tabs: 1. Source, 2. Destination, 3. Schedule, and 4. Options. The '3. Schedule' tab is active, showing the following options:

- Do not schedule, run on demand
- Prioritize schedules
- Time zone: (UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time
- Schedule #1: [Name field]
- Type: Yearly
- Run every: last Friday of every month
- Start at: 0:00, End at: 6:00
- Effective from
- Keep backups for: 3 years
- Buttons: Add another schedule, Show calendar
- Navigation: Cancel, Next

At the bottom of the window, there is a NAKIVO logo and a 'Chat With Us' button. The footer text reads: 'NAKIVO | support@nakivo.com Powered by NAKIVO, v10.10.0'.

Periodical

You can configure the following options for this schedule type:

- **Schedule title:** Designates the number of a schedule.
- **Name:** Enter the name of your schedule.
- **Run every:** Select the period measured in minutes, hours, or days when NAKIVO Backup & Replication executes the job.
- **Start at:** Specify the time when the job should start.
- **End at:** Specify the time when the job should end.
- **Days:** Select specific days when the schedule executes the job.
- Optionally, select the **Effective from** checkbox and choose the date when the schedule should come into effect.
- **Keep backups for:** Specify how many days, months, or years NAKIVO Backup & Replication should keep the backups.
- **Immutable for X days:** Enabling this option makes the recovery points immutable for the specified number of days.
- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.
- Optionally, when creating any type of schedule, click **Show Calendar** to show the calendar or **Hide**

Calendar to hide it.

New Backup Job Wizard for VMware

1. Source 2. Destination 3. Schedule 4. Options

Do not schedule, run on demand
 Prioritize schedules

(UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time

Schedule #1
Name:

Type:

Run every:

Days: MO TU WE TH FR SA SU
All days Work days Weekends

Start at:

Effective from

Keep backups for:

Add another schedule
Show calendar

Cancel

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After Another Job

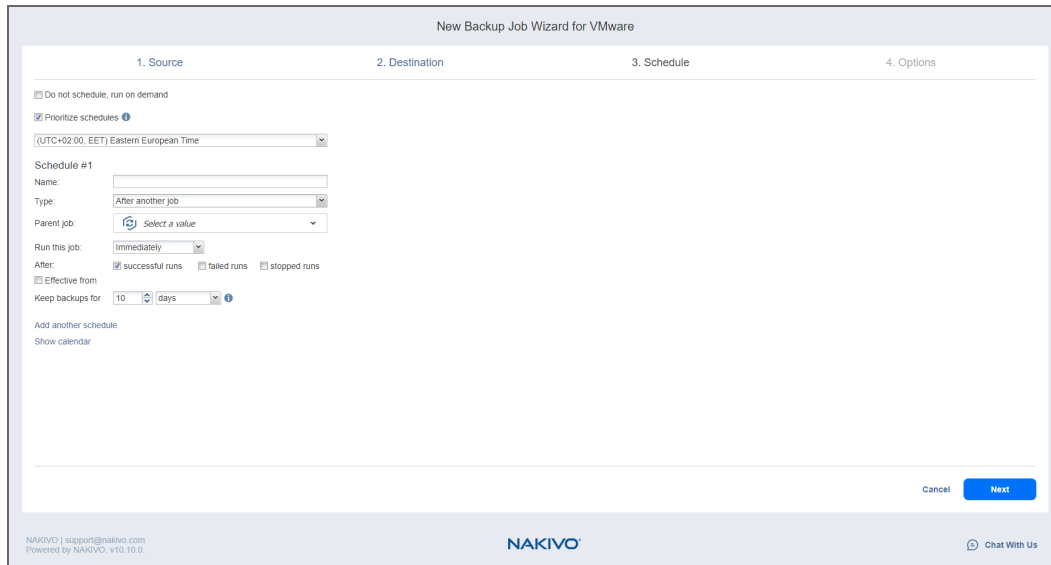
You can configure the following options for this schedule type:

Note

This option is disabled if there are no other jobs.

- **Schedule title:** Designates the number of a schedule.
- **Name:** Enter the name of your schedule.
- **Parent job:** Select the job after which this job starts running.
- **Run this job:** Select one of the following options:
 - **Immediately:** The schedule starts right after the parent job is completed.
 - **Delayed:** The schedule starts after the specified number of **minutes** or **hours** following parent job completion.
- Optionally, select the **Effective from** checkbox and choose the date when the schedule should come into effect.
- **Keep backups for:** Specify how many days, months, or years NAKIVO Backup & Replication should keep the backups.
- **Immutable for X days:** Enabling this option makes the recovery points immutable for the specified number of days.
- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.

- Optionally, click **Show Calendar** to show the calendar or **Hide Calendar** to hide it.



Creating Legacy Schedules

Before creating a new schedule, you can optionally enable the following settings:

- Click **Use New Scheduler** to switch to the Improved retention approach.
- **Do not schedule, run on demand:** Enable this option if you want to start the job manually.
- Optionally, when creating any type of schedule, click **Show Calendar** to show the calendar or **Hide Calendar** to hide it.
- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.

Daily or Weekly Backup

To run the job once a day, choose **Run daily/weekly** from the schedule drop-down list and do the following:

- Specify the time when the job should be started in the **Starting** box.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** box. If the job has not completed by the time specified, the job will be stopped.
- Choose a time zone that should be used for the job start and end times from the time zone drop-down list.
- Select the days of the week during which the job will be started.

- If necessary, select the **Effective from** checkbox and pick the date when the schedule comes into effect.

The screenshot shows the 'Use New Scheduler' dialog box. At the top left is a blue button labeled 'Use New Scheduler'. Below it is a checkbox 'Do not schedule, run on demand' which is unchecked. A time zone dropdown menu is set to '(UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time'. Under 'Schedule #1', the dropdown is set to 'Run daily/weekly'. The 'Starting at' field is '0:00' and the 'Ending' field is '6:00'. The day selection shows checkboxes for MO, TU, WE, TH, FR (all checked), SA, and SU (unchecked). Below this are links for 'All days', 'Work days', and 'Weekends'. The 'every' field is set to '1' weeks. The 'Effective from' checkbox is unchecked. At the bottom right are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Monthly or Yearly Backup

To run the job monthly or yearly, choose **Monthly/yearly** from the schedule drop-down list and do the following:

- Specify the job start schedule in the appropriate boxes.
- Specify the day and month when the job should be started in the **Run every** boxes.
- Specify the time when the job should be started in the **Starting** box.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** box. If the job has not completed by the time specified, the job will be stopped.
- If necessary, select the **Effective from** checkbox and pick the date when the schedule comes into effect.

The screenshot shows the 'Use New Scheduler' dialog box. At the top left is a blue button labeled 'Use New Scheduler'. Below it is a checkbox 'Do not schedule, run on demand' which is unchecked. A time zone dropdown menu is set to '(UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time'. Under 'Schedule #1', the dropdown is set to 'Run monthly/yearly'. The 'Run every' field is set to 'last', the day dropdown is 'Friday', and the 'of every' field is 'month'. The 'Starting at' field is '0:00' and the 'Ending' field is '6:00'. The 'Effective from' checkbox is unchecked. At the bottom right are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Periodic Backup

To run the job multiple times per day, choose **Run periodically** from the schedule drop-down list and then choose a time period from the appropriate boxes:

- Specify the time when the job should be started in the **Starting** box.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** box. If the job has not completed by the time specified, the job will be stopped.
- Select the days of the week during which the job will be started.
- If necessary, select the **Effective from** checkbox and pick the date when the schedule comes into effect.

Chained Job

To run the job after a previous one has completed, choose **Run after another job** from the schedule drop-down list and set the options as follows:

- **After the job:** Select a job after which the current job will be started.
- **Run this job:** Choose whether to run the current job immediately after the previous one has completed or within a delay.
- **After successful runs:** If selected, the job will run if the previous one has completed successfully.
- **After failed runs:** If selected, the job will run if the previous one has failed.
- **After stopped runs:** If selected, the job will run if the previous one has been stopped.
- **Effective from:** If selected, the schedule will come into effect on the date picked.

Backup Job Wizard for VMware: Retention

Important

This page is not displayed if the new scheduler is enabled.

After each job run, NAKIVO Backup & Replication creates a recovery point for each VM in the Backup Repository. A recovery point represents the backed up VM as of a particular moment in time and allows you to recover individual files, application objects, or the entire VM from the Backup Repository. You can specify how many recovery points you want to be retained in the Backup Repository using the Grandfather-Father-Son (GFS) backup rotation scheme.

When **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, generic S3-compatible storage, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage**, or **Local Folder** is selected as the Backup Repository Type for the only backup destination, you can make recovery points in these repositories immutable. With immutability enabled, the recovery points are immutable and stored using the *write-once-read-many* (WORM) model. In case of **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, generic S3-compatible storage, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage**, or **Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage** types of Backup Repository, immutable recovery points cannot be overwritten, deleted, or changed by the root user, until the specified period has expired. For **Local Folder** type of Backup Repository, the root user can still clear immutability.

Retention Settings

Here you can set the retention settings for the backup job. Set the following options:

- **Keep x last recovery points:** Retains the specified number of last recovery points for each VM in the job.
- **Keep one recovery point per day for x days:** Retains one last recovery point per day for the specified number of days.
- **Keep one recovery point per week for x weeks:** Retains the last available backup of every week for the specified number of weeks.
- **Keep one recovery point per month for x months:** Retains the last available backup of every month for the specified number of months.
- **Keep one recovery point per year for x years:** Retains the last available backup of every year for the specified number of years.

Immutability

In this section, you can configure the **Make recovery points immutable for x days** option. The recovery points remain [immutable](#) for the specified number of days.

Note

For the *Immutability* section to be available, the following conditions must be met:

- **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, generic S3-compatible storage, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage, or Local Folder** must be selected for Backup Repository Type on the Destination page of the wizard.
- If **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, generic S3-compatible storage, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, or Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage** is selected as the Backup Repository type, Object Lock or version-level immutability support and Versioning must be enabled bucket or blob container respectively where your Backup Repository is located.
- For **Local Folder** type of Backup Repository, see [feature requirements](#).

The screenshot shows a wizard interface with four tabs: 1. Sources, 2. Destination, 3. Schedule, and 4. Retention. The 'Retention' tab is active. Under 'Retention Settings', there are five checkboxes and dropdown menus:

- Keep 10 last recovery points
- Keep one recovery point per day for 10 days
- Keep one recovery point per week for 4 weeks
- Keep one recovery point per month for 12 months
- Keep one recovery point per year for 3 years

Below these settings is a 'Learn more' link. Under the 'Immutability' section, there is a checkbox:

- Make recovery points immutable for 10 days

For more details and an example of job retention settings, refer to the [Keeping Recovery Points](#) article in the Knowledge Base.

Backup Job Wizard for VMware: Options

On the **Options** page of the wizard, you can set up job options. Proceed as described in the sections below:

- [Job Options](#)
- [Full Backup Settings](#)
- [Pre and Post Job Actions](#)
- [Data Transfer](#)
- [Completing the New Backup Job Wizard for VMware](#)

Job Options

In this section, you can specify a name and a priority level for the backup job and enable/disable [app-aware mode](#), change tracking, [network acceleration](#), [encryption](#), [VM Verification](#), and other options. Proceed as described below.

The screenshot shows the 'New Backup Job Wizard for VMware' interface, specifically the '4. Options' step. The 'Job Options' section is highlighted with a red box. It contains the following settings:

- Job name: Backup job for VMware
- Job priority: 5
- Use installed VM agents: Disabled
- App-aware mode: Enabled (proceed on error)
- Change tracking: Use VMware CBT
- Network acceleration: Disabled
- Network encryption: Disabled
- VM verification: Disabled
- Exclude swap files and partitions: Enabled
- Exclude unused blocks: Enabled

Below the 'Job Options' section are the 'Full Backup Settings' and 'Pre and Post Actions' sections.

Full Backup Settings

- Create full backup: Job runs # 5
- Full backup mode: Synthetic full
- If a full backup fails, create a full backup on the next job run

Pre and Post Actions

- Send job run reports to: admin@nakivo.com
- Truncate Exchange logs: On successful VM processing only
- Truncate SQL Server logs: On successful VM processing only
- File system indexing
- Run local pre job script
- Run local post job script

Job Name

Enter a name for the backup job in the appropriate box.

Job Priority

Select a job priority level between 1 and 5, with 1 being the highest priority. Jobs with higher priority levels are prioritized by Transporters during job processing.

Note

This option is only available in the Enterprise, Enterprise Essentials, Enterprise Plus, MSP Enterprise, and MSP Enterprise Plus editions.

Use Installed VM Agents

Enable this option if you wish to use installed VM agents for this job. Proceed as follows:

1. With the option enabled, click **settings** to open the **Manage VM Agents** pop-up menu.
2. Click **Scan All** to scan each VM in the job for installed VM agents.
3. Once the scan is complete, select the master password you wish to use for the discovered VM agents from the **Select credentials** drop-down list.
4. In the **Certificate** column, click **Verify** to verify the validity of a VM agent's certificate.

For more information on setting up VM agents, see [“Using a VM Agent” on page 523](#). For more information on setting up master passwords, see [“Managing Credentials” on page 479](#).

App-Aware Mode

When the app-aware mode option is enabled, VM backup is performed using VMware Guest OS quiescing, which relies on Microsoft VSS to ensure that application data is consistent.

Change Tracking

Select one of the options from the **Change tracking** drop-down list:

- **Use VMware CBT:** When selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication enables the VMware Changed Block Tracking feature for source VMs. This feature enables the product to quickly identify the data blocks that have changed since the last job run, which significantly increases the job speed. Click the **error handling** link to specify the following options:
- **On error:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to CBT error:
 - **switch to proprietary method:** If VMware CBT fails to provide data on changed blocks for a VM and this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication performs an incremental backup of the VM using the NAKIVO proprietary change tracking technology.
 - **reset CBT:** If VMware CBT fails to provide data on changed blocks for a VM and this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication resets VMware CBT for the VM.
 - **fail VM processing:** If VMware CBT fails to provide data on changed blocks for a VM and this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication does not process the VM and states job failure (other VMs in the job will be processed).
- **Double-check changed blocks provided by CBT:** When selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication runs a check on data blocks provided by VMware CBT to ensure that VMware CBT does not overstate the amount of changed data.
- **Use proprietary method:** When selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication performs incremental backups using the NAKIVO proprietary change tracking technology. This feature requires reading the contents of all VM disks to determine which data blocks have changed since the last job run.

- **No change tracking (always full):** When selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication always performs a full VM backup of all source VMs.

Network Acceleration

When enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication uses compression and traffic reduction techniques to speed up data transfer. Select this option if you plan to back up over WAN or slow LAN links.

Encryption

When enabled, VM data is protected with AES 256 encryption while traveling over the network.

- Data encryption increases the backup time and CPU load on machines running Transporters. Select this option if you back up over WAN without a VPN connection.
- You need at least one Transporter at source and target sites to enable encryption.

VM Verification

When VM verification is enabled, the NAKIVO Backup & Replication checks the integrity of the backup by starting it and interacting with it. You can choose one of the following VM verification options:

- **Disabled:** VM Verification is disabled.
- **Screenshot verification:** When enabled, all VM backups created by the job are verified: After a backup of a VM is completed, the VM is recovered from the backup using Flash boot (and is disconnected from networks) and a screenshot of the recovered VM is taken once the VM OS has booted, after which the VM is discarded. VM screenshots are included in email notifications (if they have been [configured](#)) and displayed on the **Dashboard**.
- **Boot verification:** When enabled, all VM backups created by the job are verified as follows. After a VM backup is completed, NAKIVO Backup & Replication recovers the VM using Flash boot, disables networking to prevent network connections, and verifies that system start is successful.

Important

VM verification requires VMware Tools to be installed on all VMs.

After choosing **Screenshot verification**, do the following in the dialog box that opens:

1. Provide a location of the VMs to be booted:
 - a. **Target Container:** Choose a target container (cluster, host, or resource pool) where VMs will be run using Flash boot.
 - b. **Target Datastore:** Choose a datastore that will host changes to the recovered VMs.
 - c. **Proxy transporter:** Choose a proxy Transporter from the list of available Transporters.

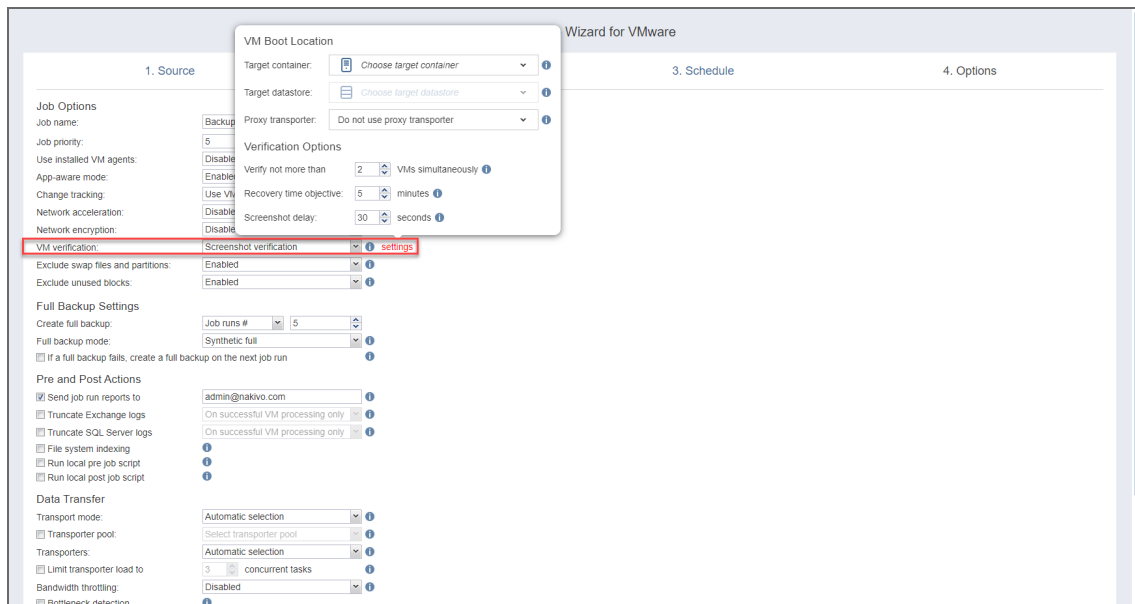
Notes

NAKIVO Backup & Replication will use a proxy Transporter in the following cases:

- The Transporter assigned to the Backup Repository cannot use iSCSI port 3260 because it is occupied by other services.
- iSCSI packages are missing on the Transporter assigned to the Backup Repository.

2. Set verification options:

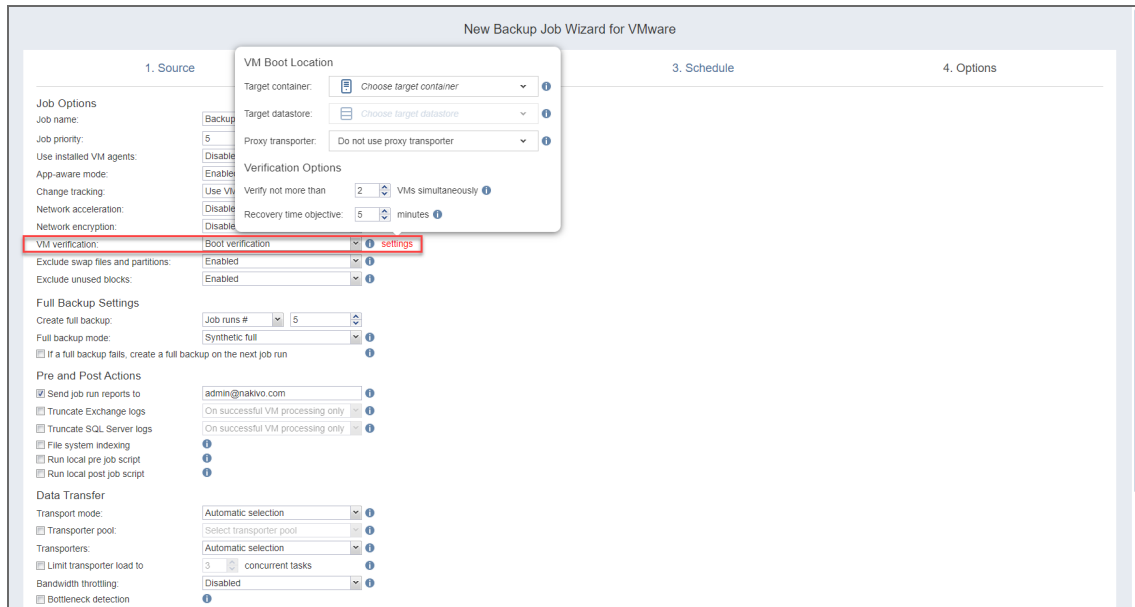
- Verify not more than x VMs simultaneously:** Specify the maximum number of VMs that can be started on the target container simultaneously.
- Recovery time objective:** Specify the amount of time allocated for verification of each VM backup. If a VM OS does not start within the specified amount of time, verification will be considered failed.
- Screenshot delay:** The amount of time that the product should wait after the guest OS start before making a screenshot. The specified time must be sufficient to fully start the VM OS. Try increasing this amount if the default amount is insufficient.



After choosing **Boot verification**, do the following in the dialog box that opens:

1. Provide a location of the VMs to be booted as described for the **Screenshot verification** option.
2. Set verification options:
 - a. **Verify not more than x VMs simultaneously:** Specify the maximum number of VMs that can be started on the target container simultaneously.
 - b. **Recovery time objective:** Specify the amount of time allocated for the verification of each VM backup. If a VM OS does not start within the specified amount of time, verification is considered

failed.



Exclude Swap Files and Partitions

With this option enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically [excludes swap files and partitions](#) during the backup process.

Exclude Unused Blocks

With this option enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically [excludes unused disk blocks](#) and blocks occupied by deleted files during processing of source objects running Windows OS. This feature allows for reducing backup storage space and object processing time.

Full Backup Settings

If the type of the Backup Repository that you've selected on the **Destination** page of the wizard is set to **Incremental with full backups** (**Store backups in separate files** option is selected), you can specify the following options:

- **Create full backup:** Specify how often full backups should be created.
- **Full backup mode:** Specify how the full backup should be created. You can choose one of the following options:
 - **Synthetic Full:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication first performs an incremental backup (that is, transfers only the data that has changed since the last backup) and then transforms the available data into a full backup file. The benefits of this approach are:
 - The Synthetic Full backup is usually faster than the Active Full backup.
 - The load on the network is lower as less data is transferred.
 - The load on the source datastores running your production VMs is lower.

- **Active Full:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication reads all VM data from the source datastore and transfers it to the Backup Repository.
- **If a full backup fails, create a full backup on the next job run:** With this option selected, the next job run creates a full backup if the current job run fails to do so.

New Backup Job Wizard for VMware

1. Source 2. Destination 3. Schedule 4. Options

Job Options

Job name: Backup job for VMware

Job priority: 5

Use installed VM agents: Disabled

App-aware mode: Enabled (proceed on error)

Change tracking: Use VMware CBT

Network acceleration: Disabled

Network encryption: Disabled

VM verification: Disabled

Exclude swap files and partitions: Enabled

Exclude unused blocks: Enabled

Full Backup Settings

Create full backup: Job runs # 5

Full backup mode: Synthetic full

If a full backup fails, create a full backup on the next job run

Pre and Post Actions

Send job run reports to admin@nakivo.com

Truncate Exchange logs On successful VM processing only

Truncate SQL Server logs On successful VM processing only

File system indexing

Run local pre job script

Run local post job script

Pre and Post Job Actions

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to enable certain actions before a backup job begins and after it has completed. You can choose to send job run reports, [truncate Microsoft Exchange and Microsoft SQL Server logs](#) on specified VMs, and run local [pre- and post- job scripts](#).

New Backup Job Wizard for VMware

1. Source 2. Destination 3. Schedule 4. Options

Job Options

Job name: Backup job for VMware

Job priority: 5

Use installed VM agents: Disabled

App-aware mode: Enabled (proceed on error)

Change tracking: Use VMware CBT

Network acceleration: Disabled

Network encryption: Disabled

VM verification: Disabled

Exclude swap files and partitions: Enabled

Exclude unused blocks: Enabled

Full Backup Settings

Create full backup: Job runs # 5

Full backup mode: Synthetic full

If a full backup fails, create a full backup on the next job run

Pre and Post Actions

Send job run reports to admin@nakivo.com

Truncate Exchange logs On successful VM processing only

Truncate SQL Server logs On successful VM processing only

File system indexing

Run local pre job script

Run local post job script

Email Notifications

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can send email notifications about job completion status to specified recipients. This feature complements global notifications and allows you to configure notifications on a per-job level.

To enable this option, configure your [Email settings](#). To send email notifications, select **Send job run reports to** and specify one or more email addresses in the text box. Use semicolons to separate multiple email addresses.

Truncation of Microsoft Exchange Server Transaction Logs

Microsoft Exchange Server database transaction logs record all changes to an Exchange Server database. Over time, these log files accumulate and can consume all of the available disk space if not periodically removed. NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides an option to delete (aka truncate) Microsoft Exchange Server logs on the source VMs after job completion.

The transaction logs are deleted after the job is completed so that the log files are available in the VM backup. Note that the product deletes only those transaction logs which are already committed to (available in) the Microsoft Exchange database.

Note

Truncation is not supported for items added using Direct Connect.

To set up Microsoft Exchange log truncation, do the following:

1. Select the **Truncate Exchange logs** option.
2. In the dialog box that opens, select the checkboxes next to the VMs running Microsoft Exchange and then select the credentials next to each VM. These credentials will be used to log in to the VMs that you have selected.

Truncation of Microsoft SQL Server Transaction Logs

Microsoft SQL Server database transaction logs record all changes to an SQL Server database. Over time, these logs accumulate and can consume all of the available disk space if not periodically removed. NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides the option to delete (or truncate) Microsoft SQL Server logs on the source VMs after job completion.

The transaction logs are deleted after the job is completed so that the original log records are available in the VM backup. Note that the product deletes only those transaction logs that are already committed to (available in) the Microsoft SQL Server database.

Note

Truncation is not supported for items added using **Direct Connect**.

To set up Microsoft SQL Server log truncation, do the following:

1. Select the **Truncate SQL Server logs** option.
2. In the dialog box that opens, select the checkboxes next to the VMs running Microsoft SQL Server and then select credentials next to each VM. These credentials will be used to log in to the VMs that you have selected.

File System Indexing

Select this option to create an index of files and folders during the backup job run. When this option is enabled, each backup job run saves an index of files and folders from the source machine and maps it to the corresponding recovery point. This allows you to search for specific files and folders inside a backup using the [Global Search](#) dashboard.

File System Indexing is supported on all [supported browsers](#) for NAKIVO Backup & Replication and runs on all [supported operating systems](#). The product checks the OS type and version during every job run.

Note

File System Indexing is supported for VMware vSphere and Microsoft Hyper-V VM backup jobs.

The index of supported Windows/Linux operating systems only includes files, links, and directories; files and folders in NFS/CIFS shared folders, as well as removable disks and product component installation folders are excluded from indexing.

The index of the following items included in the backup job is compressed and recorded into the **Director** file storage to be returned as **Global Search** results:

- File name
- File extension
- File path
- Linked recovery point
- Disk label on OS level
 - Windows OSs: disk name is a drive letter of volume disk (e.g. C, D, E, F, etc.)
 - Linux OSs: disk name is a block device name of disk (e.g: /dev/sda1, /dev/sdb2, etc.)

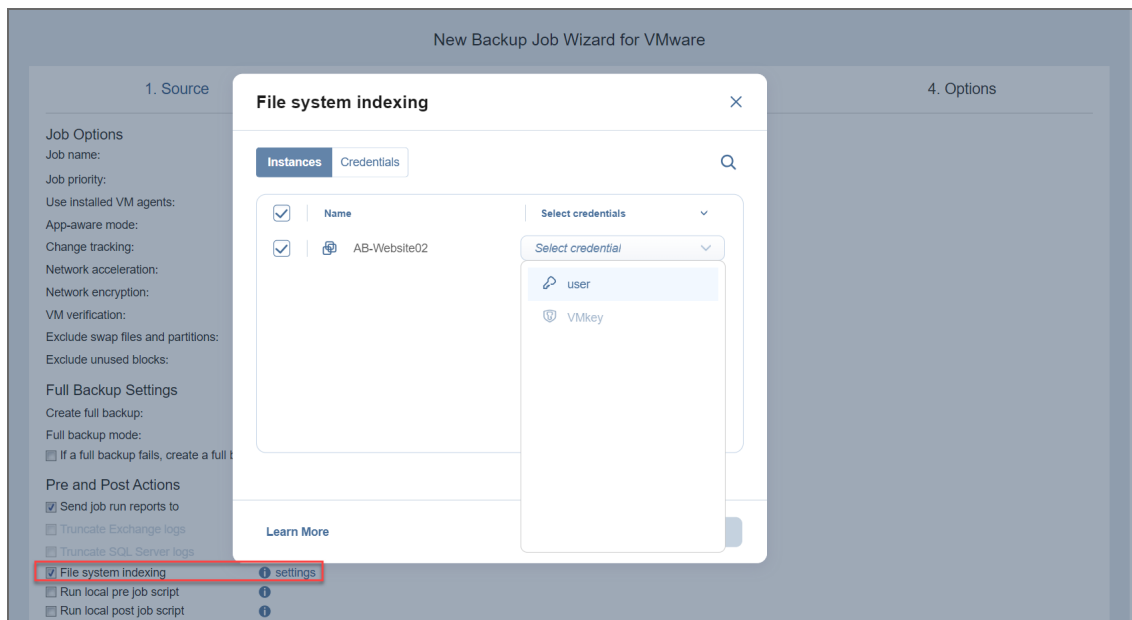
Important:

- **File System Indexing** skips files and folders on disks attached via FC and FCOE.
- **File System Indexing** skips `tmpfs` mountpoints on Linux operating systems and the following system folders:
 - Windows OSs:
 - %ProgramFiles%
 - %ProgramFiles(x86)%
 - %ProgramW6432%
 - %windir%
 - %TEMP%
 - Linux OSs:
 - /boot
 - /dev
 - /cdrom
 - /media
 - /proc
 - /run
 - /selinux
 - /tmp
 - /sys
- The source VM must be turned on during backup for data to be indexed.
- If the source VM contains files/folders a user has no access to, data about such files/folders is not indexed.
- If the backup jobs fails or is stopped, or the existing recovery point is removed, the index is deleted.
- If the original backup is removed but a copy is retained, the indexed data is retained.
- If the existing backup job is removed but the backup is retained, the indexed data is also retained.
- If the permanent virtual agent ([VMA](#)) is not used, indexing starts with VM processing within a running backup job.
- Indexed data is not duplicated when a backup copy to tape job is created.
- To run **File System Indexing** on RHEL 7.9 and RHEL 7.4, the **Netstat** (network statistics) command line tool must be installed on the source VM.

You can select one of two options: use the permanent virtual machine agent ([VMA](#)) feature or a temporary agent for file system indexing.

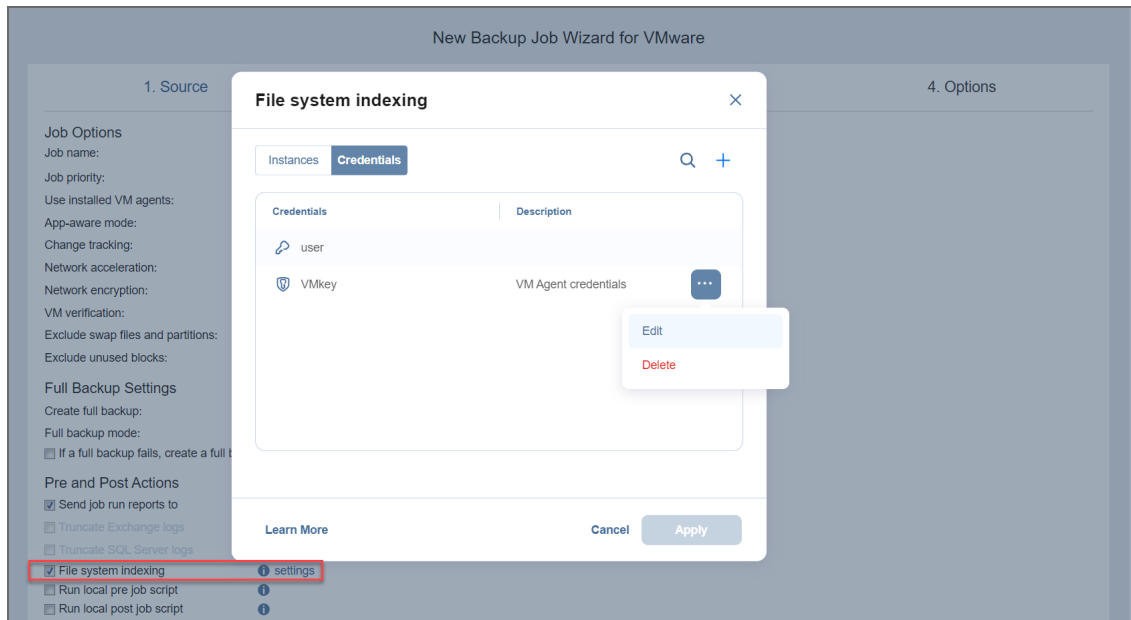
1. To use the permanent VMA feature:

- Enable the **Use installed VM agents** option in the *Job Options* section.
- Next, enable the **File system indexing** option and click the **settings** link to open the **File system indexing** popup.
- In the **Instances** tab, select the VM(s) for which you want to enable file system indexing by selecting the corresponding checkboxes. If an installed VMA is found in the VM, the **Director** will use it to perform the specified job. Otherwise, the VM will not be available for selection.



2. To use a temporary agent:

- Disable the **Use installed VM agents** option in the *Job Options* section.
- Now, enable the **File system indexing** option and click the settings link to open the **File system indexing** popup.
- In the **Instances** tab, select the appropriate credentials for each VM for which you would like to enable file system indexing in the Select credentials column. You may also manage your existing credentials or create new ones in the **Credentials** tab. See [“Managing Credentials” on page 479](#) for more information.



Note

If a permanent virtual machine agent (VMA) is [installed](#) on the VM, providing credentials is not required.

Pre Job Script

To run a script before the product begins backing up VMs, do the following:

1. Place a script file on the machine on which the Director is installed.
2. Select the **Run local pre job script** option.
3. Specify the following options in the dialog box that opens:
 - **Script path:** Specify a local path to the script on the machine on which the Director is installed. A script interpreter should be specified.
Example (Windows): `cmd.exe /c D:\script.bat`
Example (Linux): `bash /root/script.sh`
 - **Job behavior:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script completion:
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** When this option is selected, VM backup is only started after the script is completed.
 - **Do not wait for the script to finish:** When this option is selected, the product runs the script and starts backing up VMs at the same time.
 - **Error handling:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script failure:
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** When this option is selected, the job performs VM backup even if the script has failed.

- **Fail the job on script failure:** When this option is selected and the script fails, the job is failed and VM backup is not performed.

Post Job Script

To run a script after the product has finished backing up all VMs, do the following:

- Place a script file on the machine on which the Director is installed.
- Select the **Run local post job script** option.
- Specify the following options in the dialog box that opens:
 - **Script path:** Specify a local path to the script on the machine on which the Director is installed. A script interpreter should be specified.
Example (Windows): `cmd.exe /c D:\script.bat`
Example (Linux): `bash /root/script.sh`
 - **Job behavior:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script completion:
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** When this option is selected, the job is in the “running” state until the script is completed.
 - **Do not wait for the script to finish:** When this option is selected, the job is completed even if the script execution is still in progress.
 - **Error handling:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script failure:
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** When this option is selected, script failure does not influence the status of the job.
 - **Fail the job on script failure:** When this option is selected and the script fails, the job status is set to “failed” even if VM backup is successful.

Important

Pre- and post-job scripts can be executed only on the machine on which the Director is installed.

Data Transfer

In the *Data Transfer* section of the **Options** page, you can choose a transport mode, select a Transporter to be used for reading data from source VMs, specify a Transporter load, and configure [bandwidth throttling](#).

Network acceleration: Disabled

Network encryption: Disabled

VM verification: Disabled

Exclude swap files and partitions: Enabled

Exclude unused blocks: Enabled

Full Backup Settings

Create full backup: Job runs # 5

Full backup mode: Synthetic full

If a full backup fails, create a full backup on the next job run

Pre and Post Actions

Send job run reports to admin@nakivo.com

Truncate Exchange logs On successful VM processing only

Truncate SQL Server logs On successful VM processing only

File system indexing

Run local pre job script

Run local post job script

Data Transfer

Transport mode: Automatic selection

Transporter pool: Select transporter pool

Transporters: Automatic selection

Limit transporter load to 3 concurrent tasks

Bandwidth throttling: Disabled

Bottleneck detection

Backup from storage snapshot: Disabled

Cancel Finish Finish & Run

Transport Mode

In the *Data Transfer* section, choose a transport mode for retrieving VM data:

- **Automatic selection:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically selects the best transport mode available:
 - When the source Transporter is installed on a VM, NAKIVO Backup & Replication tries to use transport modes in the following order: Hot Add > SAN > LAN.
 - When the source Transporter is installed on a physical machine, NAKIVO Backup & Replication tries to use transport modes in the following order: SAN > LAN. Hot Add is not supported for physical machines.
- **SAN only:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication only uses [direct SAN access](#) to retrieve VM data. If direct SAN access to VM data is not available, the job fails.
- **Hot Add only:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication only uses [Hot Add](#) to retrieve VM data. If direct Hot Add is not available, the job fails.

Notes

- When hot-add cannot be enabled for at least one disk of a source VM (even if the disk is deselected in the job), Hot Add is unavailable for all disks of the VM.
- Do not create a manual snapshot of the transporter VM housing NAKIVO Backup & Replication while the Hot Add disks are attached it. In case you need to create a snapshot or restart a VM, make sure to stop all jobs and then detach all Hot Add disks in NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

- **LAN only:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication only retrieves VM data over LAN.

Transporter Pool

If this option is enabled, only the transporters that belong to the selected transporter pool shall be used during the job run.

Transporters

In NAKIVO Backup & Replication, Transporters perform all of the heavy lifting: reading data from the source VM, compressing the data, transferring the data over the network, performing data deduplication, and so on. In large and geographically distributed environments, multiple Transporters can be deployed to distribute the data protection workload, optimize network traffic, and improve data transfer speeds. Thus, if more than one Transporter is deployed for NAKIVO Backup & Replication, it is important to determine which should be used to read data from a particular source VM (the target Transporter is always the one that is assigned to the Backup Repository).

By default, the product automatically determines which Transporter should be used to read data from the source VM. However, you can manually specify which Transporters should be used for the job. To manually specify Transporters, proceed as follows:

In the *Data Transfer* section, choose one of the following options:

- **Automatic selection:** The product automatically determines which Transporters are the closest to source hosts (the hosts that run selected VMs) and uses those Transporters to retrieve data from source VMs.
- **Manual - configured for all VMs:** Select this option to manually specify a single Transporter to be used to retrieve data from source VMs.
- **Manual - configured per host:** Select this option to manually specify which Transporter should be used to retrieve data from each source host.

Replacement Transporters

When configuring NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can manually select a primary and replacement Transporter for each separate host or set them to be selected automatically.

Note

This option becomes available only if you select **Manual - configured per host** from the **Transporters** drop-down list.

You have the following options:

- **Select automatically:** When selected, the replacement Transporters are selected automatically for each host.
- **Use only primary transporters:** When selected, only primary Transporters are used during job execution.
- **Select manually per host:** When selected, the Transporters can be selected manually or can be set to be chosen automatically for each separate host.

Transporter Load

You can limit the maximum number of Transporter tasks used by the job. By default, this number is set to 3 concurrent tasks.

To change the default number of tasks, do the following:

1. In the *Data Transfer* section, select the **Limit transporter load to** checkbox.
2. Specify the number of concurrent tasks in the corresponding box.

Bandwidth Throttling

Follow the steps below to regulate the speed of data transfer over the network for your backup job:

1. For the **Bandwidth throttling** option, choose **Enabled**.

Note

If bandwidth throttling is disabled for the current job, global bandwidth rules may still apply to your job. Refer to [“Bandwidth Throttling” on page 355](#) for details.

2. Click the **settings** link that becomes available.
3. The **Job Bandwidth Rules** dialog box opens, displaying the list of available rules. You have the following options:
 - Create a new bandwidth rule for your backup job:
 - a. Click the **Create New Rule** button.
 - b. The **New Bandwidth Rule** dialog box opens. Refer to the [“Bandwidth Throttling” on page 355](#) topic for details on creating a bandwidth rule.
 - c. Click **Save**.
 - Activate an existing bandwidth rule for your job. Select the checkbox to the left of the required bandwidth rule. To deactivate a bandwidth rule for your job, deselect the corresponding checkbox.
 - Edit a bandwidth rule. Click the **Edit** link for a bandwidth rule and modify it in the **Edit Bandwidth Rule** dialog box that opens.
 - Disable a bandwidth rule. Click the **Disable** link. The bandwidth rule is disabled for all jobs.
 - Remove a bandwidth rule. Click the **Remove** link and then click **Delete** to confirm your operation.

Backup from Storage Snapshots

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can enable backup from storage snapshots. This approach can be helpful when you back up large volumes of data. Enabling this option can significantly reduce the load on the production environment. For more information, refer to [“Backup from HPE 3PAR, HPE Nimble, HPE Primera, and HPE Alletra Storage Snapshots” on page 63](#).

Notes

This option is disabled in the following cases:

- No supported storage devices were added to the Inventory.
- The selected VMs/disks don't reside on the supported storage devices.
- The selected VMs/disks reside on more than 1 datastore/virtual volume.
- The selected VMs reside on multiple ESXi hosts.

Proceed by choosing one of the following options:

- **Enabled (proceed on error):** With this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication proceeds even if an error is encountered.
- **Enabled (fail on error):** With this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically fails the job if an error is encountered.
- **Disabled:** Selecting this option disables backup from storage snapshots.

Bottleneck detection

When the **Bottleneck detection** option is enabled, additional information is collected and recorded in NAKIVO Backup & Replication logs in the course of data transfer for the purpose of bottleneck detection. Check this option to enable the **Bottleneck detection** capability of the Transporters engaged in the job.

Completing the New Backup Job Wizard for VMware

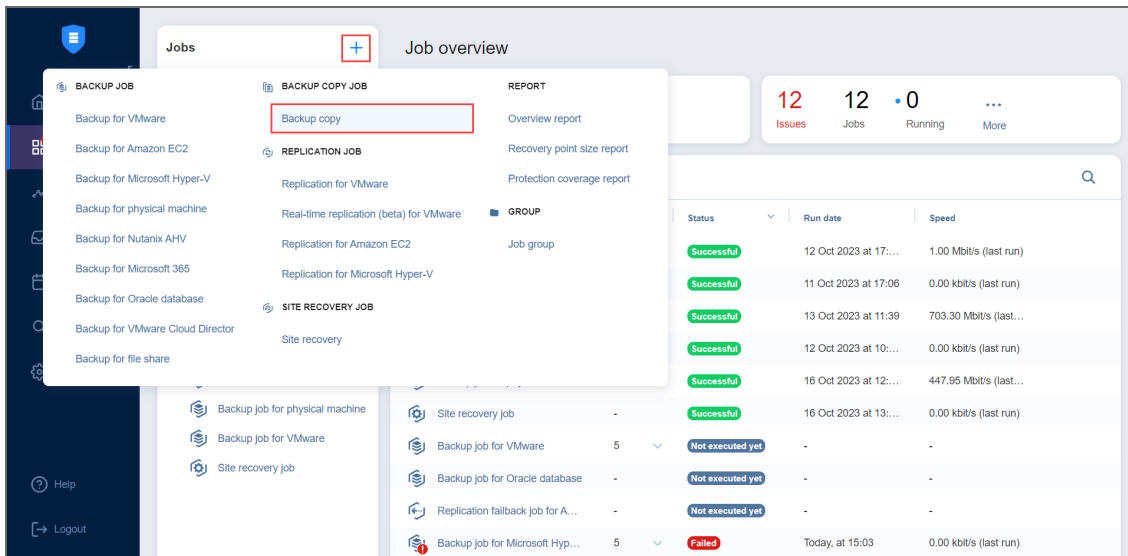
Click **Finish** or **Finish & Run** to complete job creation.

Note

If you click **Finish & Run**, you will have to define the scope of your job. Refer to [“Running Jobs on Demand” on page 317](#) for details.

Creating Backup Copy Jobs

To create a [backup copy](#) job, click the plus **Create** button in the **Jobs** menu, and then click **Backup copy**.



The **New Backup Copy Job Wizard** opens. Complete the wizard as described in the sections below:

- [“Backup Copy Job Wizard: Backups”](#) on page 726
- [“Backup Copy Job Wizard: Destination”](#) on page 729
- [“Backup Copy Job Wizard: Schedule”](#) on page 732
- [“Backup Copy Job Wizard: Retention”](#) on page 742
- [“Backup Copy Job Wizard: Options”](#) on page 744

Backup Copy Job Wizard: Backups

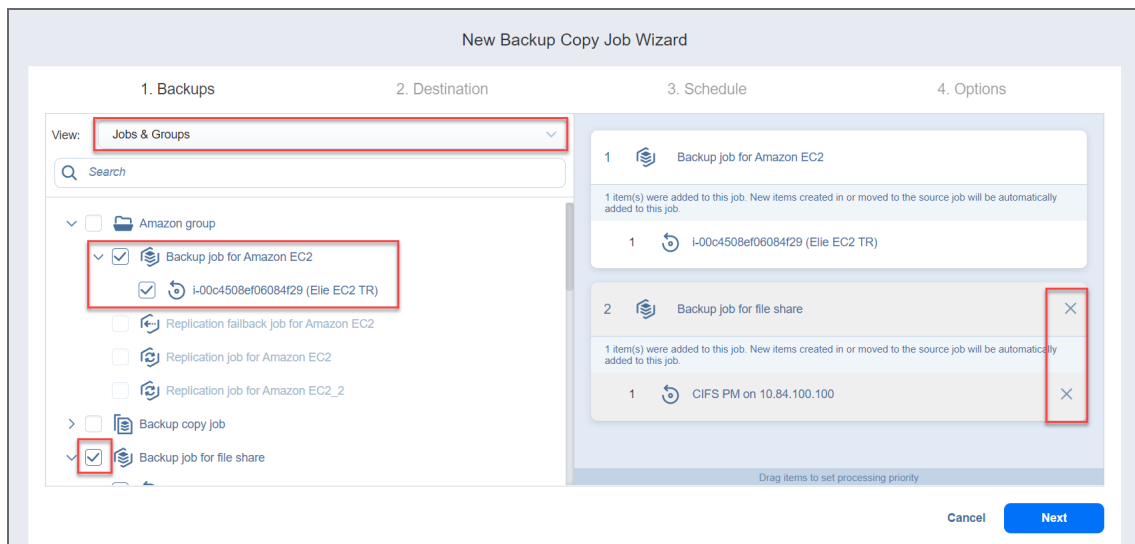
On the **Backups** page of the wizard, you can add items to your backup copy job using one of the inventory views. Proceed as described in the sections below:

- [Creating Backup Copies Using Jobs and Groups](#)
- [Creating Backup Copies Using Backup Repositories](#)
- [Creating Backup Copies Using Policies](#)

Creating Backup Copies Using Jobs and Groups

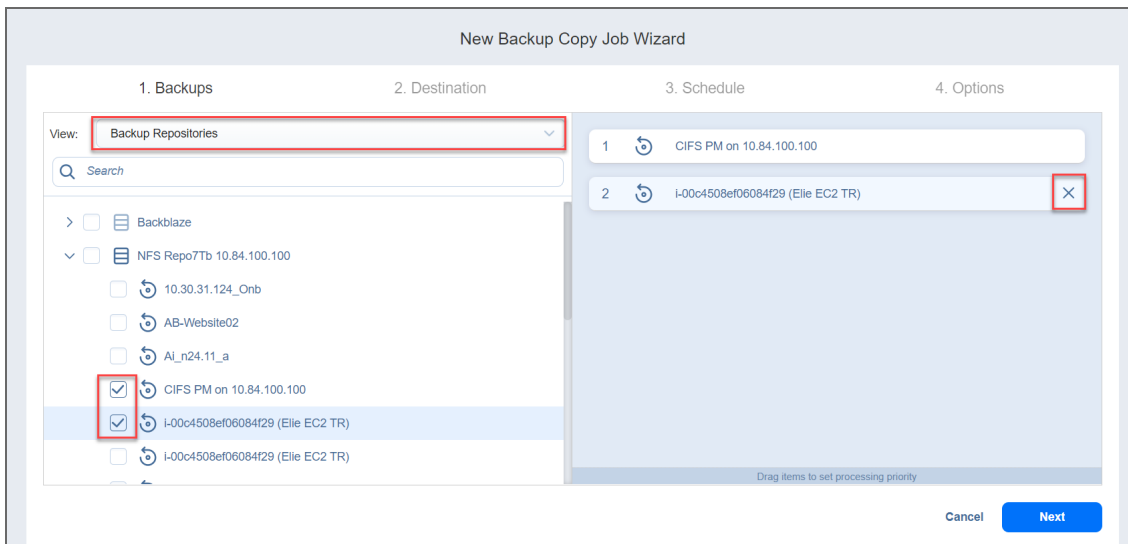
In the left pane of the page, select the **Jobs & Groups** view to use existing backup jobs and groups. The inventory tree opens in the left pane and displays the backup groups along with backups. Proceed as follows:

1. Optionally, you can filter the inventory tree by entering a string into the **Search** box. You can enter a part of the entire name of the item.
2. Select backup items by selecting the checkbox next to the item.
3. The selected items appear in the right pane of the page. If necessary, reorder the selected items by dragging them to a new position. By doing so, you can specify what items you wish to back up first.
4. Review the list of the selected items. If needed, remove a selected backup from the backup copy job in either of the following ways:
 - Cancel the selection of the item(s) in the left pane. This will remove the item(s) from the right pane.
 - In the right pane, hover over the item you wish to remove and click the “x” to the right. This will cancel the selection of the item(s) in the left pane.



Creating Backup Copies Using Backup Repositories

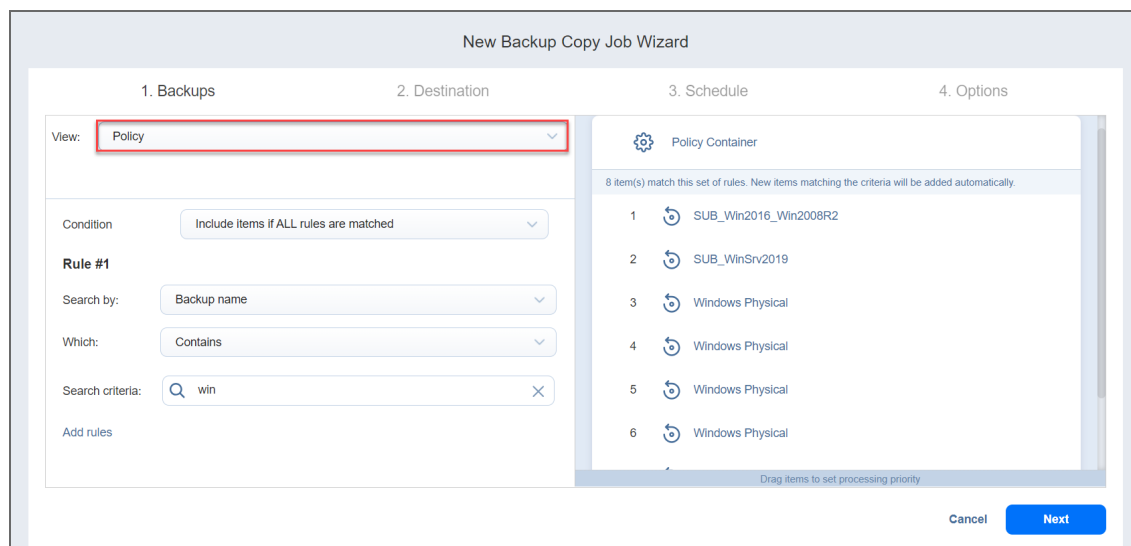
When the **Backup Repositories** view is selected, the inventory tree displays the Backup Repositories along with backups. Proceed as described for the **Jobs & Groups** view above.



Creating Backup Copies Using Policies

When the **Policy** view is selected, it allows you to use job policies; refer to [“Managing Job Policies” on page 331](#) for details. Follow the steps below:

1. When the items are selected in alternate views, a dialog box opens, warning you that switching to the **Policy** view will reset your current selection. Click **Switch View** to confirm that you wish to switch to the **Policy** view.
2. Make sure that at least one item matches the available set of policy rules. Refer to [“Managing Policy Rules” on page 334](#) for details.



Click **Next** to confirm that you wish to add selected items to the backup copy job. The wizard will display the next page.

Notes

- When you add a container—a group, job, or Backup Repository—to the backup copy job, the following happens:
 - All backups currently available in the selected container will be backed up.
 - All new backups that will be created in (or moved to) the container in the future will be automatically added to the job and backed up.
- The order in which backups are copied is important if the Transporter running the job cannot process all items simultaneously: either because the Transporter is processing other tasks at the same time or because the number of backups in the job exceeds the Transporter's Maximum Load specified during Transporter creation.

Backup Copy Job Wizard: Destination

On the **Destination** page of the wizard, select a target location for backup copies.

- [Selecting a Tape Storage](#)
- [Selecting A Target Backup Repository](#)
- [Mapping Source Backups to Existing Backups](#)

Selecting a Tape Storage

The Backup Copy Job Wizard allows you to copy backups to tape devices or to media pools. To do this, select **Tape** from the **Destination type** drop-down list.

The screenshot shows the 'New Backup Copy Job Wizard' interface. It has four steps: 1. Backups, 2. Destination, 3. Schedule, and 4. Options. In the 'Destination' step, the 'Destination type' dropdown is set to 'Disk'. Below it, the 'Destination' dropdown is set to 'Tape'. A yellow tooltip message is displayed: 'To re-use existing backups, expand the Advanced setup and specify the target backup for each backup.' Below the dropdowns, there is a link for 'Advanced setup...' and a button that says 'Add at least one tape device to enable backup to tape.' At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

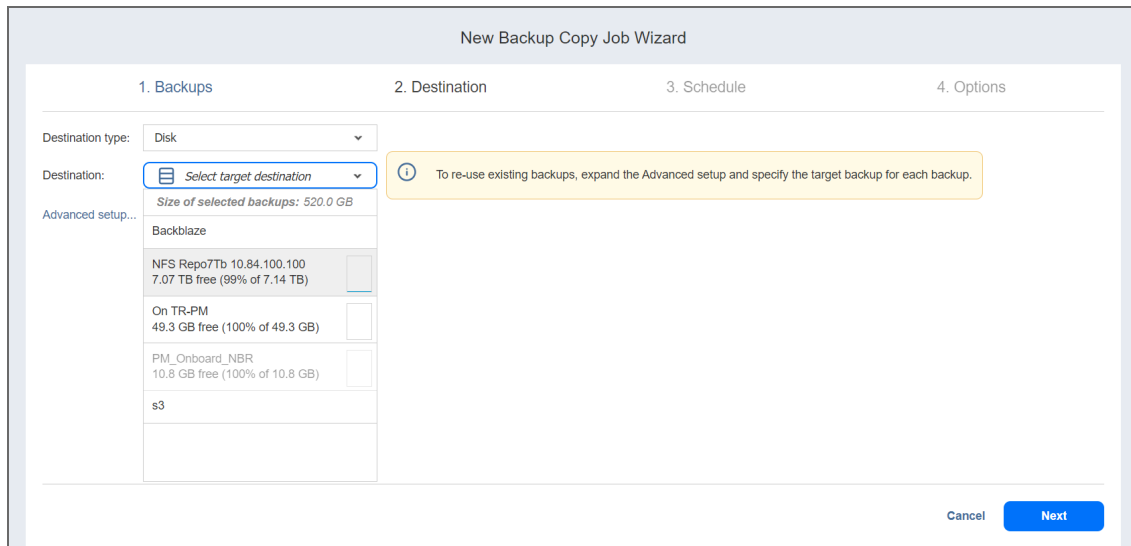
Note

To enable this option, at least one tape device must be added.

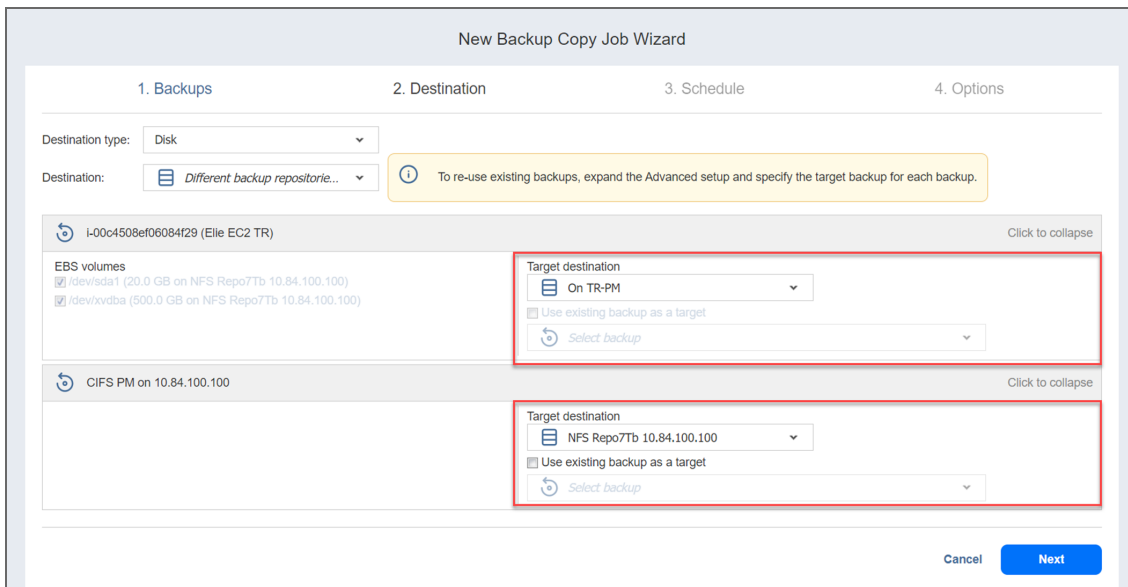
Selecting a Target Backup Repository

Backup Copy jobs can copy backups from one Backup Repository to another. Select a target Backup Repository as described below:

- To copy all backups you have selected on the Backups page to a single Backup Repository, select **Disk** from the **Destination type** drop-down list and then select a Backup Repository from the **Destination** drop-down list.



- To copy backups to different Backup Repositories, follow the steps below:
 - a. Click **Advanced setup**.
 - b. For each backup, select a target Backup Repository.



Mapping Source Backups to Existing Backups

If you have previously copied backups to a different Backup Repository and then lost the Backup Copy job (due to accidental job deletion or because you need to recreate jobs in a new copy of the product) you can map source backups to existing backups in the target Backup Repository to avoid transferring all backup data again.

To map source backups to existing backups in a target Backup Repository, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Advanced setup**.
2. From the **Backup repository** drop-down list, choose a Backup Repository that contains a copy of the source backup.

3. Select the **Use existing backup as a target** option and select the existing backup copy from the drop-down list.

The screenshot displays the 'New Backup Copy Job Wizard' in step 2, 'Destination'. The interface is divided into four sections: 1. Backups, 2. Destination, 3. Schedule, and 4. Options. Under 'Destination type', 'Disk' is selected. The 'Destination' dropdown is set to 'Different backup repository...'. A yellow callout box with an information icon states: 'To re-use existing backups, expand the Advanced setup and specify the target backup for each backup.' Below this, two backup targets are listed:

- I-00c4508ef06084f29 (Eli EC2 TR)**: Under 'EBS volumes', two volumes are checked: '/dev/sda1 (20.0 GB on NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100)' and '/dev/xvdba (500.0 GB on NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100)'. The 'Target destination' is 'On TR-PM'. The 'Use existing backup as a target' checkbox is unchecked, and the 'Select backup' dropdown is empty.
- CIFS PM on 10.84.100.100**: The 'Target destination' is 'NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100'. The 'Use existing backup as a target' checkbox is checked, and the 'Select backup' dropdown is highlighted with a red box.

At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

When running the job, the product analyzes the existing backup copy you have selected, determines how it is different from the source backup, and transfers only the differential data.

Backup Copy Job Wizard: Schedule

On the **Schedule** page of the wizard, select to run the backup job manually or schedule the job to run on a regular basis.

Proceed as described in the sections below:

- [Switching to the improved retention approach](#)
- [Creating New Schedules](#)
 - [Weekly](#)
 - [Monthly](#)
 - [Yearly](#)
 - [Periodical](#)
 - [After another job](#)
- [Creating Legacy Schedules](#)
 - [Daily or Weekly Backup](#)
 - [Monthly or Yearly Backup](#)
 - [Periodic Backup](#)
 - [Chained Job](#)

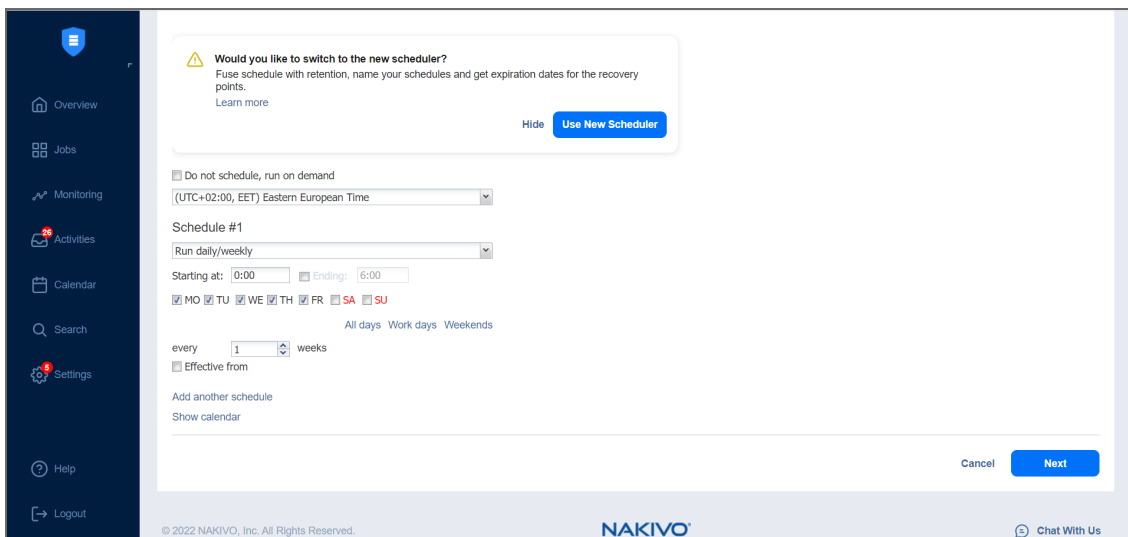
Switching to Improved Retention Approach

NAKIVO Backup & Replication offers two approaches to retention and scheduling: the legacy or the improved approach. To learn more about how the legacy and improved approaches work, go [here](#). If you create a new job or edit the existing one that uses the legacy approach, a popup appears offering that you to switch to the improved retention approach in the following cases:

- You have updated your instance of the product to v10.8 or later from an older version.
- You have imported a configuration to an instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication v10.8 or later from an older version.

Note

If you install NAKIVO Backup & Replication v10.8 or higher, the new approach is enabled by default.



After the popup appears, do one of the following actions:

- If you do not want to switch to the new scheduler, click **Hide** to close the popup. You can later click **Use New Scheduler** on the **Schedule** page to proceed with the change if you change your mind.
- Alternatively, click **Use New Scheduler** in the popup. Next, choose one of the following options:
 - **MIGRATE SETTINGS:** When you select this option, the existing schedules are automatically converted to new schedules and the existing retention settings are mapped to the new schedules.
 - **CREATE NEW SCHEDULES:** When you select this option, you can create new schedules using the existing retention settings. Old schedules will be deleted.
 - **CONFIGURE SETTINGS ANEW:** Select this option to reset all existing schedules and retention settings and configure them from scratch.

Notes

- After switching to the new scheduler, the legacy schedule and retention settings are displayed on the right side of the page.
- After switching to the new scheduler, reverting to the legacy schedule and retention settings is impossible.
- You can learn how expiration dates are assigned to recovery points after migration [here](#).

Creating New Schedules

Before creating a new schedule, you can optionally enable the following settings:

- **Do not schedule, run on demand:** Enable this option if you want to start the job manually.
- **Maintain exact copy of the source backup:** When this option is selected, the backup copy job creates and maintains an exact copy of the source backup and recovery points. To set a different retention policy, deselect this option and choose one of the options below. This option only appears if **Disk** was selected in the **Destination** step.

- **Keep all recovery points forever:** When this option is selected, the backup copy job keeps all available recovery points until they are manually removed. To set a different retention policy, deselect this option and choose one of the options below. This option only appears if **Tape** was selected in the **Destination** step.
- **Prioritize schedules:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication starts treating schedules based on their priority. The **Yearly** schedule will have higher priority than the **Monthly** schedule, etc. In case 2 or more schedules overlap, the schedules with lower priority will be skipped.
- Optionally, when creating any type of schedule, click **Show Calendar** to show the calendar or **Hide Calendar** to hide it.

When **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage, or Local Folder** is selected as the Backup Repository Type and the only backup destination, you can make recovery points in these repositories immutable during schedule creation. With immutability enabled, the recovery points are immutable and stored using the write-once-read-many (WORM) model. With **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, or Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage** types of Backup Repository, immutable recovery points cannot be overwritten, deleted, or changed by the root user until the specified period has expired. For Local Folder type of Backup Repository, the root user can still clear immutability.

Notes

For the *Immutability* section to be available, the following conditions must be met:

- **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage, or Local Folder** must be selected for Backup Repository Type on the Destination page of the wizard.
- When **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, or Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage** is selected as the Backup Repository Type, the bucket or blob container with the repository must have Object Lock or version-level immutability enabled respectively as well as Versioning.
- For **Local Folder** type of Backup Repository, see [feature requirements](#).

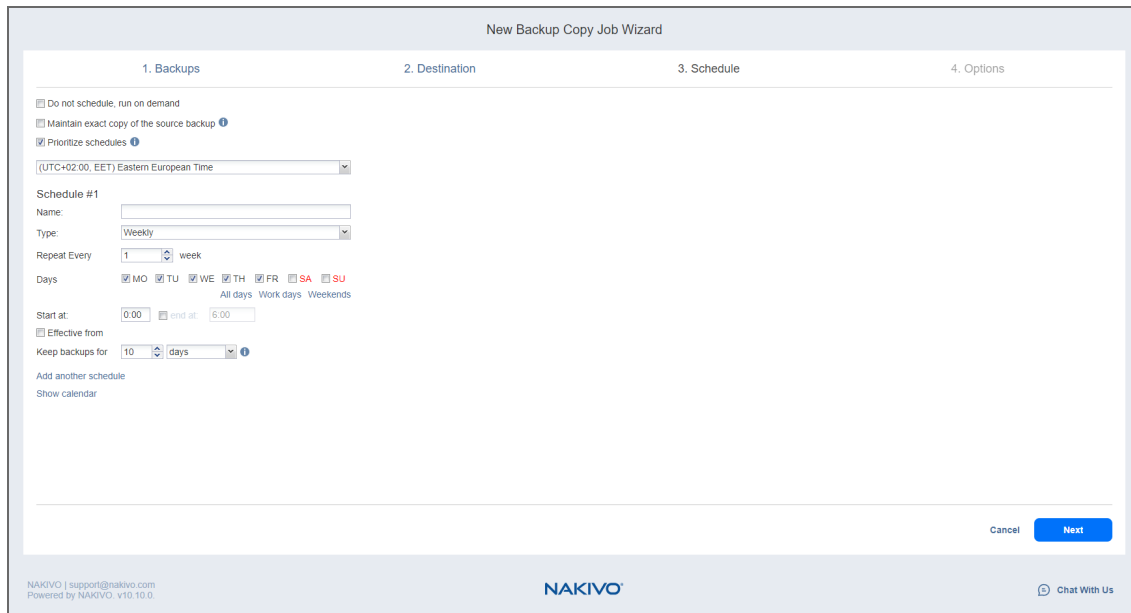
When creating the schedules, you can create schedules of the following types:

Weekly

You can configure the following options for this schedule type:

- **Schedule title:** Designates the number of a schedule.
- **Name:** Enter the name of your schedule.
- **Repeat every X weeks:** Indicates how often the schedule is repeated.
- **Days:** Select specific days when the schedule executes the job.
- **Start at:** Specify the time when the job should start.

- **End at:** Specify the time when the job should end.
- Optionally, select the **Effective from** checkbox and choose the date when the schedule should come into effect.
- **Keep backups for:** Specify how many days, months, or years NAKIVO Backup & Replication should retain the backups. This option is disabled if **Maintain exact copy of the source backup** is selected.
- **Immutable for X days:** Enabling this option makes the recovery points immutable for the specified number of days. This option is disabled if **Maintain exact copy of the source backup** is selected.
- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.



Monthly

You can configure the following options for this schedule type:

- **Schedule title:** Designates the number of a schedule.
- **Name:** Enter the name of your schedule.
- **Repeat every X months:** Indicates how often the schedule is repeated.
- **Run every:** Select specific days of the month when NAKIVO Backup & Replication executes the job.
- **Start at:** Specify the time when the job should start.
- **End at:** Specify the time when the job should end.
- Optionally, select the **Effective from** checkbox and choose the date when the schedule should come into effect.
- **Keep backups for:** Specify how many days, months, or years NAKIVO Backup & Replication should keep the backups. This option is disabled if **Maintain exact copy of the source backup** is selected.
- **Immutable for X days:** Enabling this option makes the recovery points immutable for the specified number of days. This option is disabled if **Maintain exact copy of the source backup** is selected.

- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.

Yearly

You can configure the following options for this schedule type:

- **Schedule title:** Designates the number of a schedule.
- **Name:** Enter the name of your schedule.
- **Run every:** Select specific days of the specific month when NAKIVO Backup & Replication executes the job.
- Optionally, select the **Effective from** checkbox and choose the date when the schedule should come into effect.
- **Keep backups for:** Specify how many days, months, or years NAKIVO Backup & Replication should keep the backups. This option is disabled if **Maintain exact copy of the source backup** is selected.
- **Immutable for X days:** Enabling this option makes the recovery points immutable for the specified number of days. This option is disabled if **Maintain exact copy of the source backup** is selected.

- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.

Periodical

You can configure the following options for this schedule type:

- **Schedule title:** Designates the number of a schedule.
- **Name:** Enter the name of your schedule.
- **Run every:** Select the period measured in minutes, hours, or days when NAKIVO Backup & Replication executes the job.
- **Start at:** Specify the time when the job should start.
- **End at:** Specify the time when the job should end.
- **Days:** Select specific days when the schedule executes the job.
- Optionally, select the **Effective from** checkbox and choose the date when the schedule should come into effect.
- **Keep backups for:** Specify how many days, months, or years NAKIVO Backup & Replication should keep the backups. This option is disabled if Maintain exact copy of the source backup is selected.
- **Immutable for X days:** Enabling this option makes the recovery points immutable for the specified number of days. This option is disabled if Maintain exact copy of the source backup is selected.
- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.
- Optionally, when creating any type of schedule, click **Show Calendar** to show the calendar or **Hide**

Calendar to hide it.

1. Backups 2. Destination 3. Schedule 4. Options

Do not schedule, run on demand
 Maintain exact copy of the source backup
 Prioritize schedules

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Schedule #1
Name:
Type: Periodic
Run every: 30 minutes
Days: MO TU WE TH FR SA SU
All days Work days Weekends
Start at: 0:00 End at: 6:00
 Effective from
Keep backups for: 10 days
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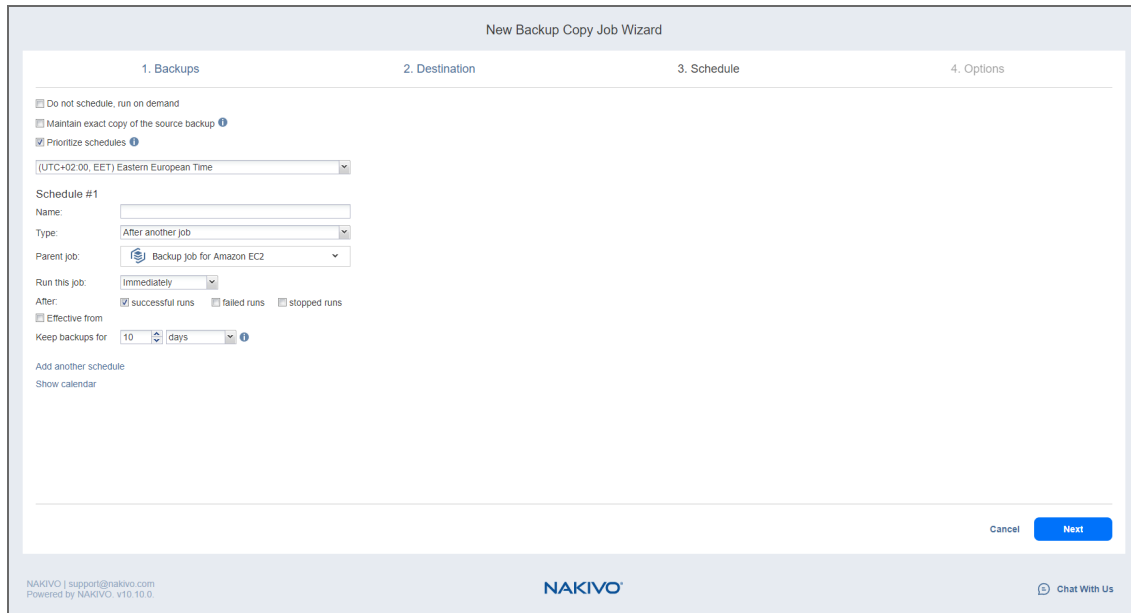
You can configure the following options for this schedule type:

Note

This option is disabled if there are no other jobs.

- **Schedule title:** Designates the number of a schedule.
- **Name:** Enter the name of your schedule.
- **Parent job:** Select the job after which this job starts running.
- **Run this job:** Select one of the following options:
 - **Immediately:** The schedule starts right after the parent job is completed.
 - **Delayed:** The schedule starts after the specified number of **minutes** or **hours** following parent job completion.
- Optionally, select the **Effective from** checkbox and choose the date when the schedule should come into effect.
- **Keep backups for:** Specify how many days, months, or years NAKIVO Backup & Replication should keep the backups.
- **Immutable for X days:** Enabling this option makes the recovery points immutable for the specified number of days.
- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.

- Optionally, click **Show Calendar** to show the calendar or **Hide Calendar** to hide it.



Creating Legacy Schedules

Before creating a new schedule, you can optionally enable the following settings:

- Click **Use New Scheduler** to switch to the Improved retention approach.
- **Do not schedule, run on demand:** Enable this option if you want to start the job manually.
- Optionally, when creating any type of schedule, click **Show Calendar** to show the calendar or **Hide Calendar** to hide it.
- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.

Daily or Weekly Backup

To run the job once a day, choose **Run daily/weekly** from the schedule drop-down list and do the following:

- Specify the time when the job should be started in the **Starting** box.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** box. If the job has not completed by the time specified, the job will be stopped.
- Choose a time zone that should be used for the job start and end times from the time zone drop-down list.
- Select the days of the week during which the job will be started.

- If necessary, select the **Effective from** checkbox and pick the date when the schedule comes into effect.

The screenshot shows the 'Use New Scheduler' dialog box. At the top left is a blue button labeled 'Use New Scheduler'. Below it is a checkbox 'Do not schedule, run on demand' which is unchecked. A time zone dropdown menu is set to '(UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time'. Under 'Schedule #1', the dropdown is set to 'Run daily/weekly'. The 'Starting at' field is '0:00' and the 'Ending' field is '6:00'. The day selection shows checkboxes for MO, TU, WE, TH, FR (all checked), SA, and SU (unchecked). Below this are links for 'All days', 'Work days', and 'Weekends'. The 'every' field is set to '1' weeks. The 'Effective from' checkbox is unchecked. At the bottom right are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Monthly or Yearly Backup

To run the job monthly or yearly, choose **Monthly/yearly** from the schedule drop-down list and do the following:

- Specify the job start schedule in the appropriate boxes.
- Specify the day and month when the job should be started in the **Run every** boxes.
- Specify the time when the job should be started in the **Starting** box.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** box. If the job has not completed by the time specified, the job will be stopped.
- If necessary, select the **Effective from** checkbox and pick the date when the schedule comes into effect.

The screenshot shows the 'Use New Scheduler' dialog box. At the top left is a blue button labeled 'Use New Scheduler'. Below it is a checkbox 'Do not schedule, run on demand' which is unchecked. A time zone dropdown menu is set to '(UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time'. Under 'Schedule #1', the dropdown is set to 'Run monthly/yearly'. The 'Run every' field is set to 'last', the day dropdown is 'Friday', and the 'of every' field is 'month'. The 'Starting at' field is '0:00' and the 'Ending' field is '6:00'. The 'Effective from' checkbox is unchecked. At the bottom right are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Periodic Backup

To run the job multiple times per day, choose **Run periodically** from the schedule drop-down list and then choose a time period from the appropriate boxes:

- Specify the time when the job should be started in the **Starting** box.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** box. If the job has not completed by the time specified, the job will be stopped.
- Select the days of the week during which the job will be started.
- If necessary, select the **Effective from** checkbox and pick the date when the schedule comes into effect.

Chained Job

To run the job after a previous one has completed, choose **Run after another job** from the schedule drop-down list and set the options as follows:

- **After the job:** Select a job after which the current job will be started.
- **Run this job:** Choose whether to run the current job immediately after the previous one has completed or within a delay.
- **After successful runs:** If selected, the job will run if the previous one has completed successfully.
- **After failed runs:** If selected, the job will run if the previous one has failed.
- **After stopped runs:** If selected, the job will run if the previous one has been stopped.
- **Effective from:** If selected, the schedule will come into effect on the date picked.

Backup Copy Job Wizard: Retention

Important

This page is not displayed if the new scheduler is enabled.

After each job run, NAKIVO Backup & Replication creates a recovery point in the Backup Repository for each instance. A recovery point represents the backed-up instance as of a particular moment in time and allows you to recover individual files, application objects, or the entire instance from the Backup Repository. You can specify how many recovery points to retain in the Backup Repository. The recovery points are retained based on the grandfather-father-son (GFS) backup rotation scheme.

When **Amazon EC2**, **Amazon S3**, **generic S3-compatible storage**, **Wasabi**, **Azure Blob Storage**, **Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage**, or **Local Folder** is selected as the Backup Repository Type for the only backup destination, you can make recovery points in these repositories immutable. With immutability enabled, the recovery points are immutable and stored using the *write-once-read-many* (WORM) model. In case of **Amazon EC2**, **Amazon S3**, **generic S3-compatible storage**, **Wasabi**, **Azure Blob Storage**, or **Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage** types of Backup Repository, immutable recovery points cannot be overwritten, deleted, or changed by the root user, until the specified period has expired. For **Local Folder** type of Backup Repository, the root user can still clear immutability.

Retention Settings

Here you can set the retention settings for the backup job. Set the following options:

- **Maintain exact copy of the source backup:** When this option is selected, the backup copy job creates and maintains an exact copy of the source backup and recovery points. To set a different retention policy, deselect this option and choose one of the options below. This option only appears if **Disk** was selected in the **Destination** step.
- **Keep all recovery points forever:** When this option is selected, the backup copy job keeps all available recovery points until they are manually removed. To set a different retention policy, deselect this option and choose one of the options below. This option only appears if **Tape** was selected in the **Destination** step.
- **Keep x last recovery points:** Keeps the specified number of last recovery points for each VM in the job.
- **Keep one recovery point per day for x days:** Retains one last recovery point per day for the specified number of days.
- **Keep one recovery point per week for x weeks:** Retains the last available backup of every week for the specified number of weeks.
- **Keep one recovery point per month for x months:** Retains the last available backup of every month for the specified number of months.

- **Keep one recovery point per year for x years:** Retains the last available backup of every year for the specified number of years.

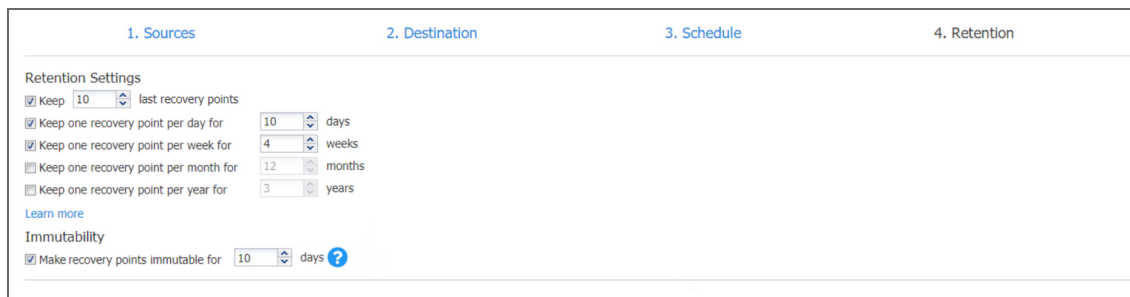
Immutability

In this section, you can configure the **Make recovery points immutable for x days** option. The recovery points remain **immutable** for the specified number of days.

Note

For the *Immutability* section to be available, the following conditions must be met:

- **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, generic S3-compatible storage, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage, or Local Folder** must be selected for Backup Repository Type on the Destination page of the wizard.
- If **Amazon EC2, Amazon S3, generic S3-compatible storage, Wasabi, Azure Blob Storage, or Backblaze B2 Cloud Storage** is selected as the Backup Repository type, Object Lock or version-level immutability support and Versioning must be enabled bucket or blob container respectively where your Backup Repository is located.
- For **Local Folder** type of Backup Repository, see [feature requirements](#).



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Retention Settings

Keep 10 last recovery points

Keep one recovery point per day for 10 days

Keep one recovery point per week for 4 weeks

Keep one recovery point per month for 12 months

Keep one recovery point per year for 3 years

[Learn more](#)

Immutability

Make recovery points immutable for 10 days

For more details and an example of job retention settings, refer to the [Keeping Recovery Points](#) article in the Knowledge Base.

Backup Copy Job Wizard: Options

On the **Options** page of the wizard, you can set up job options. Proceed as described in these sections:

- [Job Options](#)
 - [Job Name](#)
 - [Job Priority](#)
 - [Network Acceleration](#)
 - [Encryption](#)
 - [VM Verification](#)
- [Full Backup Settings](#)
- [Pre and Post Actions](#)
 - [Email Notifications](#)
 - [Pre Job Script](#)
 - [Post Job Script](#)
- [Data Transfer](#)
 - [Transporter Load](#)
 - [Bandwidth Throttling](#)
- [Completing the New Backup Copy Job Wizard](#)

Job Options

In this section, you can give a name to the backup copy job and enable/disable [network acceleration](#), change tracking, [encryption](#), and [VM Verification](#). Proceed as described below.

The screenshot shows the 'New Backup Copy Job Wizard' interface, specifically the '4. Options' step. The 'Job Options' section is highlighted with a red box and contains the following fields:

- Job name: Backup copy job
- Job priority: 5
- Network acceleration: Disabled
- Network encryption: Disabled
- VM verification: Disabled

Below the highlighted section, there are other configuration options:

- Full Backup Settings:** Create full backup: Every Friday; Full backup mode: Synthetic full; If a full backup fails, create a full backup on the next job run (checkbox).
- Pre and Post Actions:** Send job run reports to (checkbox checked, email: admin@nakivo.com); Run local pre job script (checkbox); Run local post job script (checkbox).
- Data Transfer:** Limit transporter load to (checkbox, value: 3 concurrent tasks); Bandwidth throttling: Disabled; Bottleneck detection (checkbox).

At the bottom right, there are buttons for 'Cancel', 'Finish', and 'Finish & Run'.

Job Name

Specify a name for the backup copy job in the **Job Name** box.

Job Priority

Select a job priority level between 1 and 5, with 1 being the highest priority. Jobs with higher priority levels are prioritized by Transporters during job processing.

Note

This option is only available in the Enterprise, Enterprise Essentials, Enterprise Plus, MSP Enterprise, and MSP Enterprise Plus editions.

Network Acceleration

If network acceleration is enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication uses compression and traffic reduction techniques to speed up data transfer. Select this option if you plan to back up over WAN or slow LAN links.

Encryption

If the **Encryption** option is selected, backup data will be protected with AES 256 encryption while traveling over the network. Data encryption increases the backup time and CPU load on machines running Transporters. Select this option if you are backing up over WAN without a VPN connection.

Note

You need at least one [Transporter](#) at the source and target sites to enable encryption.

VM Verification

VM Verification allows you to check the integrity of the backup by starting it and interacting with it. For more details, refer to [“VM Verification” on page 57](#)

You can choose one of the following VM verification options:

- **Disabled:** VM verification is disabled.
- **Screenshot verification:** When enabled, all VM backups created by the job are verified: After a backup of a VM is completed, the VM will be recovered from the backup using Flash boot (and will be disconnected from networks) and a screenshot of the recovered VM will be taken once the VM OS has booted, after which the VM will be discarded. VM screenshots will be included in [email notifications](#) (if they're configured) and displayed on the **Dashboard**.
- **Boot verification:** When enabled, all VM backups created by the job are verified as follows. After a VM backup is completed, NAKIVO Backup & Replication recovers the VM using Flash boot, disables networking to prevent network connections, and verifies that system start is successful.

After choosing **Screenshot verification**, provide the following information in the dialog box that opens:

1. Provide a location of the VMs that need to be booted:
 - a. **Target Container:** Choose a target container (cluster, host, or resource pool) where VMs will be run using [Flash boot](#).

- b. **Target Datastore:** Choose a datastore that will host changes to the recovered VMs.
- c. **Proxy transporter:** Choose a proxy transporter from the list of available Transporters.

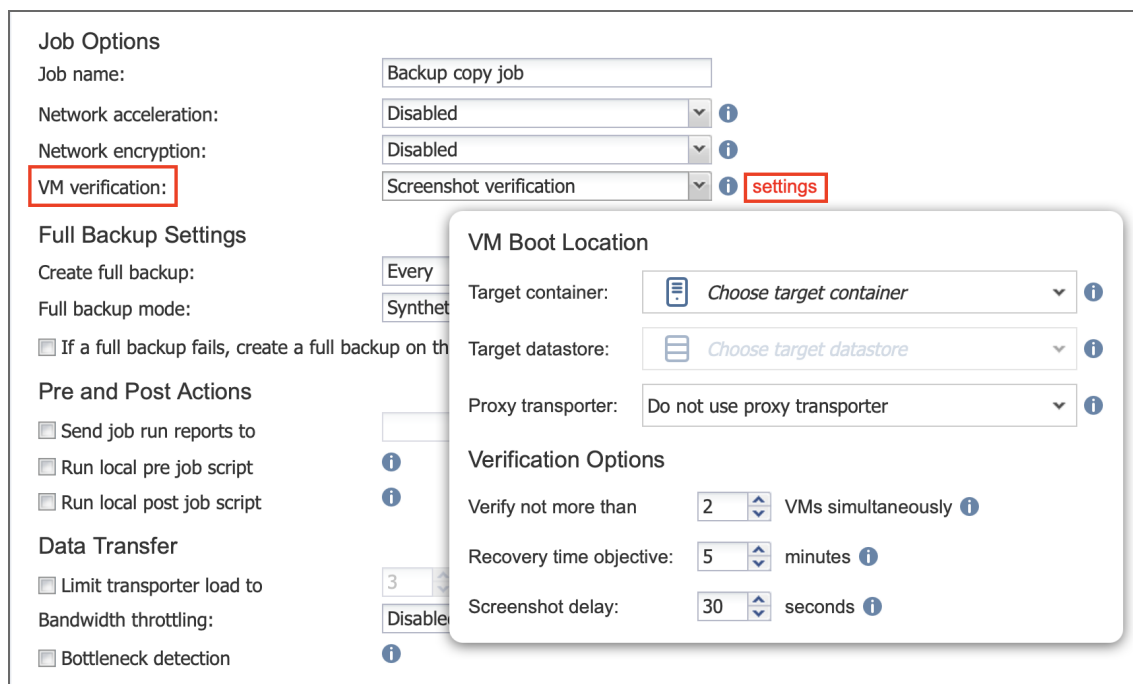
Note

NAKIVO Backup & Replication will use a proxy Transporter in the following cases:
 The Transporter assigned to the Backup Repository cannot use iSCSI port 3260 because it is occupied by other services.
 iSCSI packages are missing on the Transporter assigned to the Backup Repository.

2. Set verification options:

- **Verify not more than X VMs simultaneously:** Specify the maximum number of VMs that can be started on the Target Container simultaneously.
- **Recovery time objective:** Specify the amount of time allocated for the verification of each VM backup. If a VM OS does not start within the specified amount of time, verification will be considered failed.
- **Screenshot delay:** The amount of time that the product should wait after the guest OS starts before taking a screenshot.

The specified time must be sufficient to fully start the VM OS. Try increasing this amount if the default amount is not sufficient.



After selecting **Boot verification**, do the following in the dialog box that opens:

1. Provide the location of the VMs to be booted as described for the **Screenshot verification** option.
2. Set verification options:

- **Verify not more than x VMs simultaneously:** Specify the maximum number of VMs that can be started on the Target Container simultaneously.
- **Recovery time objective:** Specify the amount of time allocated for verification of each VM backup. If a VM OS does not start within the specified amount of time, verification will be considered failed.

The screenshot displays the configuration interface for a backup job. The 'Job Options' section includes fields for 'Job name' (Backup copy job), 'Network acceleration' (Disabled), 'Network encryption' (Disabled), and 'VM verification' (Boot verification). A red box highlights the 'VM verification' dropdown, and another red box highlights a 'settings' button next to it. A modal window titled 'VM Boot Location' is open, showing 'Target container' (Choose target container), 'Target datastore' (Choose target datastore), and 'Proxy transporter' (Do not use proxy transporter). Below this, the 'Verification Options' section shows 'Verify not more than' set to 2 VMs simultaneously and 'Recovery time objective' set to 5 minutes.

Full Backup Settings

If the type of the Backup Repository that you selected on the Destination page is set to **Incremental with full backups** (**Store backups in separate files** option is selected), you can specify the following options:

- **Create full backup:** Specify how often full backups should be created.
- **Full backup mode:** Specify how the full backup should be created. You can choose between the following options:
 - **Synthetic full:** If this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will first perform an incremental backup (that is, will transfer only the data that changed since the last backup) and will then transform the available data into a full backup file. This approach has the following benefits:
 - The synthetic full backup is usually faster than the active full backup.
 - The load on the network is lower, as less data is transferred.
 - The load on the source datastores running your production VMs is lower.
 - **Active full:** If this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will read all data from the source and transfer it to the Backup Repository.

- **If a full backup fails, create a full backup on the next job run:** With this option selected, the next job run creates a full backup if the current job run fails to do so.

New Backup Copy Job Wizard

1. Backups 2. Destination 3. Schedule 4. Options

Job Options

Job name: Backup copy job

Job priority: 5

Network acceleration: Disabled

Network encryption: Disabled

VM verification: Disabled

Full Backup Settings

Create full backup: Every Friday

Full backup mode: Synthetic full

If a full backup fails, create a full backup on the next job run

Pre and Post Actions

Send job run reports to admin@nakivo.com

Run local pre job script

Run local post job script

Data Transfer

Limit transporter load to 3 concurrent tasks

Bandwidth throttling: Disabled

Bottleneck detection

Cancel Finish Finish & Run

Pre and Post Actions

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to set up certain actions before a backup copy job begins and after it has completed. You can choose to send job run reports to the email provided and run local [pre and post job scripts](#).

New Backup Copy Job Wizard

1. Backups 2. Destination 3. Schedule 4. Options

Job Options

Job name: Backup copy job

Job priority: 5

Network acceleration: Disabled

Network encryption: Disabled

VM verification: Disabled

Full Backup Settings

Create full backup: Every Friday

Full backup mode: Synthetic full

If a full backup fails, create a full backup on the next job run

Pre and Post Actions

Send job run reports to admin@nakivo.com

Run local pre job script

Run local post job script

Data Transfer

Limit transporter load to 3 concurrent tasks

Bandwidth throttling: Disabled

Bottleneck detection

Cancel Finish Finish & Run

Email Notifications

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can send email notifications on job completion status to specified recipients. This feature complements global notifications and provides you with the ability to configure notifications on a per-job level.

To enable this option, configure your [Email settings](#).

To send email notifications, do the following:

1. In the *Pre and Post Actions* section, select the **Send job run reports to** option.
2. Specify one or more email addresses in the text box. Separate multiple email addresses with a semicolon.

Pre Job Script

To run a script before the product begins copying backups, do the following:

1. Place a script file on the machine where the Director is installed.
2. In the *Pre and Post Actions* section, select the **Run local pre job script** option and click the **settings** link. Specify the following parameters in the dialog box that opens:
 - **Script path:** Specify a local path to the script on the machine where the Director is installed. Script interpreter should be specified.
Example (Windows): `cmd.exe /c D:\script.bat`

Example (Linux): `bash /root/script.sh`

- **Job behavior:** Choose either of the following job behaviors in relation to script completion:
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** If this option is selected, the backup copy will not be started until the script is completed.
 - **Do not wait for the script to finish:** If this option is selected, the product will run the script and will start copying backups at the same time.
- **Error handling:** Choose either of the following job behaviors in relation to script failure:
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** If this option is selected, the job will perform backup copy even if the script has failed.
 - **Fail the job on script failure:** If this option is selected and the script fails, the job will be failed and the backup copy will not be performed.

Post Job Script

To run a script after the product has finished copying all backups, do the following:

1. Place a script file on the machine on which the Director is installed.
2. In the *Pre and Post Actions* section, select the **Run local post job script** option and click the **settings** link. Specify the following parameters in the dialog box that opens:

- **Script path:** Specify a local path to the script on the machine on which the Director is installed. Script interpreter should be specified.
Example (Windows): `cmd.exe /c D:\script.bat`
Example (Linux): `bash /root/script.sh`
- **Job behavior:** Choose either of the following job behaviors in relation to script completion:
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** If this option is selected, the job will be in the “running” state until the script is completed.
 - **Do not wait for the script to finish:** If this option is selected, the job will be completed even if the script execution is still in progress.
- **Error handling:** Choose either of the following job behaviors in relation to script failure.
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** If this option is selected, script failure will not influence the status of the job.
 - **Fail the job on script failure:** If this option is selected and the script has failed, the job status will be set to “failed” even if VM backup has been successful.

Notes

- Pre- and post-job scripts can be executed only on the machine on which the Director is installed.
- When Integration Services are used on Hyper-V 2016 and above, custom pre/post scripts are unavailable for Windows VMs.

Data Transfer

In the *Data Transfer* section of the **Options** page, you can specify a Transporter load and configure [bandwidth throttling](#).

The screenshot shows the 'New Backup Copy Job Wizard' interface, specifically the 'Options' step. The 'Data Transfer' section is highlighted with a red box and contains the following settings:

- Limit transporter load to: 3 concurrent tasks
- Bandwidth throttling: Disabled
- Bottleneck detection: (unchecked)

Other visible settings include:

- Job Options:** Job name: Backup copy job; Job priority: 5; Network acceleration: Disabled; Network encryption: Disabled; VM verification: Disabled.
- Full Backup Settings:** Create full backup: Every Friday; Full backup mode: Synthetic full; If a full backup fails, create a full backup on the next job run.
- Pre and Post Actions:** Send job run reports to: admin@nakivo.com; Run local pre job script; Run local post job script.

At the bottom right, there are buttons for 'Cancel', 'Finish', and 'Finish & Run'.

Transporter Load

You can limit the maximum number of Transporter tasks used by the job. By default, it is set to 3 concurrent tasks.

To change the default number of tasks, do the following:

1. In the *Data Transfer* section, select the **Limit transporter load to checkbox**.
2. Specify the number of concurrent tasks in the corresponding box.

Bandwidth Throttling

Follow the steps below to regulate the speed of data transfer over the network for your backup copy job:

1. For the **Bandwidth throttling** option, choose **Enabled**.

Note

If bandwidth throttling is disabled for the current job, global bandwidth rules may still apply to your job.

2. Click the **settings** link that becomes available.
3. The **Job Bandwidth Rules** dialog box opens displaying you the list of available rules. You have the following options:
 - Create a new bandwidth rule for your backup copy job:
 - a. Click the **Create New Rule** button.
 - b. The **New Bandwidth Rule** dialog box opens. Refer to [“Bandwidth Throttling” on page 355](#) for details on creating a bandwidth rule.
 - c. Click **Save**.
 - Activate an existing bandwidth rule for your job. Select the checkbox to the left of the necessary bandwidth rule. To deactivate a bandwidth rule for your job, clear the corresponding checkbox.
 - Edit a bandwidth rule. Click the **Edit** link for a bandwidth rule and modify it in the **Edit Bandwidth Rule** dialog box that opens.
 - Disable a bandwidth rule. Click the **Disable** link. The bandwidth rule will be disabled for all jobs.
 - Remove a bandwidth rule. Click the **Remove** link and then click **Delete** to confirm your operation.

Bottleneck detection

When the **Bottleneck detection** option is enabled, additional information is collected and recorded in NAKIVO Backup & Replication logs in the course of data transfer for the purpose of bottleneck detection. Check this option to enable the **Bottleneck detection** capability of the Transporters engaged in the job.

Note

This option is available only if the **Disk** destination type was chosen on the **Destination** page of the wizard.

Completing the New Backup Copy Job Wizard

Click **Finish** or **Finish & Run** to complete the job creation.

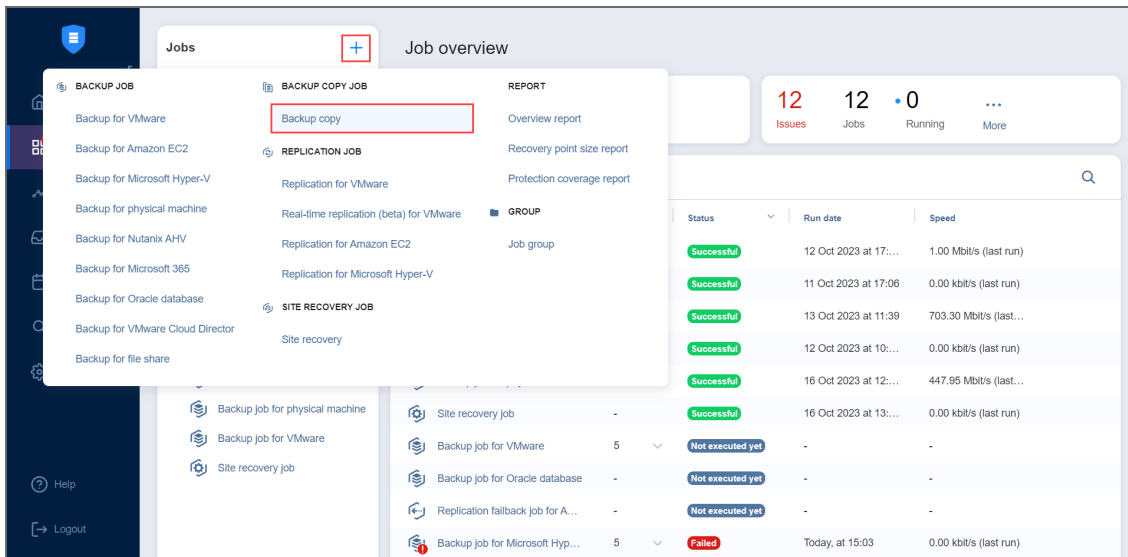
Note

If you click **Finish & Run**, you will have to define the scope of your job. Please refer to [“Running Jobs on Demand” on page 317](#) for details.

Backing Up to Tape

Backing up to tape is, in essence, performing a [backup copy](#) job with the destination set to a [tape device](#) or [media pool](#). Currently, the direct backing up to tape is not supported, instead, it is done in stages: the backup is first put into a Backup Repository and then moved to tape via a Backup copy job.

To create a backup copy job, click **Create** in the **Jobs** menu and then click **Backup copy**.

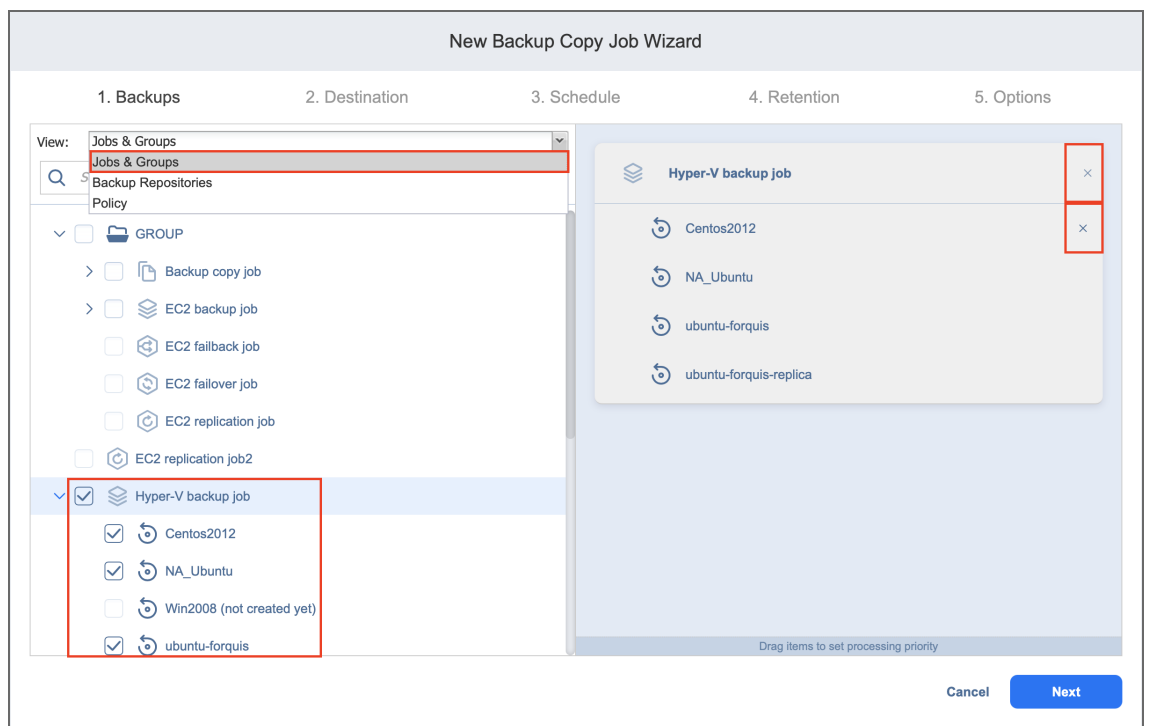


- [“Tape Backup Wizard: Backups” on page 754](#)
- [“Tape Backup Wizard: Destination” on page 757](#)
- [“Tape Backup Wizard: Schedule” on page 758](#)
- [“Tape Backup Wizard: Retention” on page 767](#)
- [“Tape Backup Wizard: Options” on page 768](#)

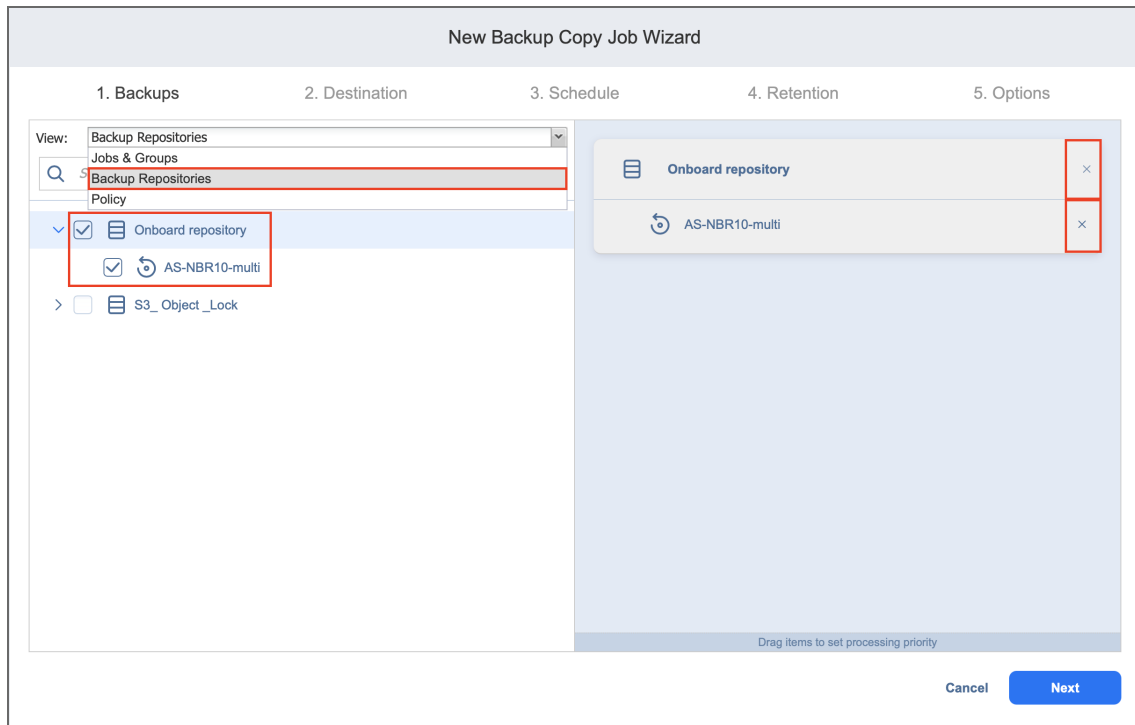
Tape Backup Wizard: Backups

On the **Backups** page of the wizard, you can add items to your backup copy job. Proceed as follows:

1. In the left pane of the page, choose either of the following inventory views:
 - **Jobs & Groups:** If chosen, the inventory tree opens in the left pane and shows the backup groups along with backups. Proceed as follows:
 - a. Optionally, filter the inventory tree by entering a string to the **Search** box. You can enter a part or the entire item name.
 - b. Select backup items by selecting the checkbox next to the them.
 - c. The selected items appear in the right pane of the page. If necessary, reorder the selected items by dragging them to a new position. By doing so, you can specify the order in which the items should be backed up.
 - d. Review the list of the selected items. If needed, remove a selected backup in the backup copy job in either of the following ways:
 - Cancel the selection of the item(s) in the left pane. This will remove the item(s) from the right pane.
 - In the right pane, hover over the item you want to remove and click the red “X” to the right. This will cancel the selection of the item(s) in the left pane.



- **Backup Repositories:** If chosen, the inventory tree shows available Backup Repositories along with the backups in them. Proceed as it is described for the **Jobs & Groups** view above.



- **Policy:** If selected, this allows you to use job policies; refer to [“Managing Job Policies” on page 331](#) for details. Please follow the steps below:
 - a. If items were selected in alternate views, a dialog box opens warning you that switching to the **Policy** view will reset your current selection. Click **Switch View** to confirm switching to the **Policy** view.

- b. Make sure that at least one item matches the available set of policy rules. Refer to [“Managing Policy Rules” on page 334](#) for details.

The screenshot shows the 'New Backup Copy Job Wizard' interface. The wizard is currently on step 1, 'Backups'. The 'View' dropdown is set to 'Policy', and the 'Policy' option is highlighted in red. The 'Rule #1' section shows search criteria for 'win10'. The 'Policy Container' list on the right contains several items, including 'AY-Win10NBR9.2', 'ayunt_Win10-Support-nvme', 'ayunt_Win10_pro_UEFI', 'CT-win10-sql', 'CT-win10nbr', 'CT-win10nbr10.2', 'Sales-Win10PRO', 'SK-NBR10-win10', and 'SK-NBR10-win10'. The 'Next' button is highlighted in blue.

2. Click **Next** to confirm adding selected items to the backup copy job.

The wizard will display the next page.

Notes

1. If you add a container—a group, job, or Backup Repository—to the backup copy job, the following actions will occur:
 - All backups currently available in the selected container will be backed up.
 - All new backups that are created in (or moved to) the container in the future will be automatically added to the job and backed up.
2. The order in which backups are copied is important if the Transporter that is running the job cannot process all items simultaneously: either because the Transporter is processing other tasks at the same time or because the number of backups in the job exceeds the Transporter’s Maximum Load specified during the Transporter creation.

Tape Backup Wizard: Destination

On the **Destination** page, you can specify where the backup will be stored. You can select a device or a media pool. The job allows for copying a backup from a Backup Repository to tape cartridges or a [virtual tape library](#).

To specify a destination for the selected backups:

1. From the **Destination type** drop-down list, select **Tape**.
2. From the **Destination** drop-down list, select one of the configured devices or media pools.
3. To see the space and disks the individual backups take, click the name of the job and expand the backups in the list.

New Backup Copy Job Wizard

1. Backups 2. Destination 3. Schedule 4. Retention 5. Options

Destination type:

Destination:

NT-dummy Click to collapse

VM disks

- Hard disk 1 (0 KB (2.0 GB allocated) on S3_Object_Lock)

NA_Ubuntu Click to collapse

VM disks

- Hard disk 1: 0 KB (25.0 GB allocated)

NBR10.4 Click to collapse

VM disks

- Hard disk 1 (0 KB (40.0 GB allocated) on S3_Object_Lock)
- Hard disk 2 (0 KB (200.0 GB allocated) on S3_Object_Lock)

NT-SQL2-recovered Click to collapse

VM disks

- Hard disk 1 (0 KB (5.0 GB allocated) on S3_Object_Lock)

Cancel Next

4. Click **Next** to proceed to the next page.

Tape Backup Wizard: Schedule

On the **Schedule** page of the wizard, select to run the backup job manually or schedule the job to run on a regular basis.

Proceed as described in the sections below:

- [Switching to the improved retention approach](#)
- [Creating New Schedules](#)
 - [Weekly](#)
 - [Monthly](#)
 - [Yearly](#)
 - [Periodical](#)
 - [After another job](#)
- [Creating Legacy Schedules](#)
 - [Daily or Weekly Backup](#)
 - [Monthly or Yearly Backup](#)
 - [Periodic Backup](#)
 - [Chained Job](#)

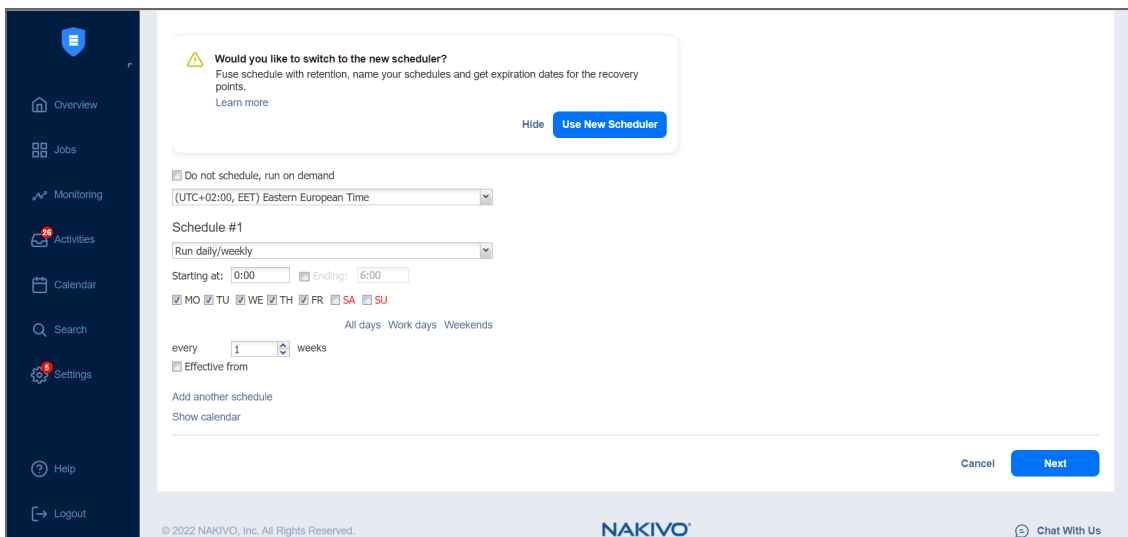
Switching to Improved Retention Approach

NAKIVO Backup & Replication offers two approaches to retention and scheduling: the legacy or the improved approach. To learn more about how the legacy and improved approaches work, go [here](#). If you create a new job or edit the existing one that uses the legacy approach, a popup appears offering that you to switch to the improved retention approach in the following cases:

- You have updated your instance of the product to v10.8 or later from an older version.
- You have imported a configuration to an instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication v10.8 or later from an older version.

Note

If you install NAKIVO Backup & Replication v10.8 or higher, the new approach is enabled by default.



After the popup appears, do one of the following actions:

- If you do not want to switch to the new scheduler, click **Hide** to close the popup. You can later click **Use New Scheduler** on the **Schedule** page to proceed with the change if you change your mind.
- Alternatively, click **Use New Scheduler** in the popup. Next, choose one of the following options:
 - **MIGRATE SETTINGS:** When you select this option, the existing schedules are automatically converted to new schedules and the existing retention settings are mapped to the new schedules.
 - **CREATE NEW SCHEDULES:** When you select this option, you can create new schedules using the existing retention settings. Old schedules will be deleted.
 - **CONFIGURE SETTINGS ANEW:** Select this option to reset all existing schedules and retention settings and configure them from scratch.

Notes

- After switching to the new scheduler, the legacy schedule and retention settings are displayed on the right side of the page.
- After switching to the new scheduler, reverting to the legacy schedule and retention settings is impossible.
- You can learn how expiration dates are assigned to recovery points after migration [here](#).

Creating New Schedules

Before creating a new schedule, you can optionally enable the following settings:

- **Do not schedule, run on demand:** Enable this option if you want to start the job manually.
- **Keep all recovery points forever:** When this option is selected, the job keeps all available recovery points until they are manually removed.

- **Prioritize schedules:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication starts treating schedules based on their priority. The **Yearly** schedule will have higher priority than the **Monthly** schedule, etc. In case 2 or more schedules overlap, the schedules with lower priority will be skipped.
- Optionally, when creating any type of schedule, click **Show Calendar** to show the calendar or **Hide Calendar** to hide it.

When creating the schedules, you can create schedules of the following types:

Weekly

You can configure the following options for this schedule type:

- **Schedule title:** Designates the number of a schedule.
- **Name:** Enter the name of your schedule.
- **Repeat every X weeks:** Indicates how often the schedule is repeated.
- **Days:** Select specific days when the schedule executes the job.
- **Start at:** Specify the time when the job should start.
- **End at:** Specify the time when the job should end.
- Optionally, select the **Effective from** checkbox and choose the date when the schedule should come into effect.
- **Keep backups for:** Specify how many days, months, or years NAKIVO Backup & Replication should retain the backups.
- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.

The screenshot shows the configuration window for a Weekly schedule. At the top, there are two checkboxes: "Do not schedule, run on demand" (unchecked) and "Prioritize schedules" (checked). Below these is a time zone dropdown menu set to "(UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time". The "Schedule #1" section includes a "Name:" text input field, a "Type:" dropdown menu set to "Weekly", and a "Repeat Every" spinner set to "1" with "week" as the unit. The "Days" section has checkboxes for MO, TU, WE, TH, FR, SA, and SU, with "All days Work days Weekends" as a summary. The "Start at:" field is set to "0:00" and "end at:" is set to "6:00". There are also checkboxes for "Effective from", "Keep backups for" (set to 10 days), and "Immutable for" (set to 30 days). At the bottom, there are links for "Add another schedule" and "Show calendar", and "Cancel" and "Next" buttons.

Monthly

You can configure the following options for this schedule type:

- **Schedule title:** Designates the number of a schedule.
- **Name:** Enter the name of your schedule.
- **Repeat every X months:** Indicates how often the schedule is repeated.

- **Run every:** Select specific days of the month when NAKIVO Backup & Replication executes the job.
- **Start at:** Specify the time when the job should start.
- **End at:** Specify the time when the job should end.
- Optionally, select the **Effective from** checkbox and choose the date when the schedule should come into effect.
- **Keep backups for:** Specify how many days, months, or years NAKIVO Backup & Replication should keep the backups.
- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.

The screenshot shows a configuration window for a schedule. At the top, there are checkboxes for "Do not schedule, run on demand" (unchecked) and "Prioritize schedules" (checked). Below this is a time zone dropdown menu set to "(UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time". The "Schedule #1" section includes a "Name:" text input field, a "Type:" dropdown menu set to "Monthly", a "Repeat Every:" dropdown menu set to "1" with "month" selected, and a "Run every:" dropdown menu set to "last" with "Friday" selected. There are "Start at:" and "end at:" time input fields, both set to "0:00" and "6:00" respectively. Below these are checkboxes for "Effective from" (unchecked), "Keep backups for:" (set to "6" with "months" selected), and "Immutable for:" (set to "30" with "days" selected). At the bottom left, there are links for "Add another schedule" and "Show calendar". At the bottom right, there are "Cancel" and "Next" buttons.

Yearly

You can configure the following options for this schedule type:

- **Schedule title:** Designates the number of a schedule.
- **Name:** Enter the name of your schedule.
- **Run every:** Select specific days of the specific month when NAKIVO Backup & Replication executes the job.
- Optionally, select the **Effective from** checkbox and choose the date when the schedule should come into effect.
- **Keep backups for:** Specify how many days, months, or years NAKIVO Backup & Replication should keep the backups.

- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.

The screenshot shows a configuration window for a schedule. At the top, there are two checkboxes: "Do not schedule, run on demand" (unchecked) and "Prioritize schedules" (checked). Below these is a time zone dropdown menu set to "(UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time". The main section is titled "Schedule #1" and contains several fields:

- Name:** An empty text input field.
- Type:** A dropdown menu set to "Yearly".
- Run every:** A series of dropdown menus set to "last", "Friday", and "of every", followed by a "month" dropdown.
- Start at:** Two time input fields set to "0:00" and "6:00", with an "end at:" label between them.
- Effective from:** An unchecked checkbox.
- Keep backups for:** A spinner set to "3" followed by a "years" dropdown.
- Immutable for:** An unchecked checkbox, a spinner set to "30", and a "days" dropdown.

 At the bottom left, there are two links: "Add another schedule" and "Show calendar". At the bottom right, there are two buttons: "Cancel" and "Next".

Periodical

You can configure the following options for this schedule type:

- **Schedule title:** Designates the number of a schedule.
- **Name:** Enter the name of your schedule.
- **Run every:** Select the period measured in minutes, hours, or days when NAKIVO Backup & Replication executes the job.
- **Start at:** Specify the time when the job should start.
- **End at:** Specify the time when the job should end.
- **Days:** Select specific days when the schedule executes the job.
- Optionally, select the **Effective from** checkbox and choose the date when the schedule should come into effect.
- **Keep backups for:** Specify how many days, months, or years NAKIVO Backup & Replication should keep the backups.
- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.
- Optionally, when creating any type of schedule, click **Show Calendar** to show the calendar or **Hide**

Calendar to hide it.

Do not schedule, run on demand

Prioritize schedules ⓘ

(UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time

Schedule #1

Name:

Type: Periodic

Run every: 30 minutes

Days: MO TU WE TH FR SA SU

All days Work days Weekends

Start at: 0:00 end at: 6:00

Effective from

Keep backups for: 10 days ⓘ

Immutable for: 30 days ⓘ

Add another schedule

Show calendar

Cancel Next

After Another Job

You can configure the following options for this schedule type:

Note

This option is disabled if there are no other jobs.

- **Schedule title:** Designates the number of a schedule.
- **Name:** Enter the name of your schedule.
- **Parent job:** Select the job after which this job starts running.
- **Run this job:** Select one of the following options:
 - **Immediately:** The schedule starts right after the parent job is completed.
 - **Delayed:** The schedule starts after the specified number of **minutes** or **hours** following parent job completion.
- Optionally, select the **Effective from** checkbox and choose the date when the schedule should come into effect.
- **Keep backups for:** Specify how many days, months, or years NAKIVO Backup & Replication should keep the backups.
- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.

- Optionally, click **Show Calendar** to show the calendar or **Hide Calendar** to hide it.

Creating Legacy Schedules

Before creating a new schedule, you can optionally enable the following settings:

- Click **Use New Scheduler** to switch to the Improved retention approach.
- **Do not schedule, run on demand:** Enable this option if you want to start the job manually.
- Optionally, when creating any type of schedule, click **Show Calendar** to show the calendar or **Hide Calendar** to hide it.
- Optionally, click **Add another schedule** if you want to add more than one schedule.

Daily or Weekly Backup

To run the job once a day, choose **Run daily/weekly** from the schedule drop-down list and do the following:

- Specify the time when the job should be started in the **Starting** box.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** box. If the job has not completed by the time specified, the job will be stopped.
- Choose a time zone that should be used for the job start and end times from the time zone drop-down list.
- Select the days of the week during which the job will be started.

- If necessary, select the **Effective from** checkbox and pick the date when the schedule comes into effect.

The screenshot shows the 'Use New Scheduler' dialog box. At the top left is a blue button labeled 'Use New Scheduler'. Below it is a checkbox 'Do not schedule, run on demand' which is unchecked. A time zone dropdown menu is set to '(UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time'. Under 'Schedule #1', the dropdown is set to 'Run daily/weekly'. The 'Starting at' field is '0:00' and the 'Ending' field is '6:00'. The day selection is 'MO TU WE TH FR SA SU', with 'MO', 'TU', 'WE', 'TH', and 'FR' checked. Below the days are links for 'All days', 'Work days', and 'Weekends'. The 'every' field is set to '1' weeks. The 'Effective from' checkbox is unchecked. At the bottom right are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Monthly or Yearly Backup

To run the job monthly or yearly, choose **Monthly/yearly** from the schedule drop-down list and do the following:

- Specify the job start schedule in the appropriate boxes.
- Specify the day and month when the job should be started in the **Run every** boxes.
- Specify the time when the job should be started in the **Starting** box.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** box. If the job has not completed by the time specified, the job will be stopped.
- If necessary, select the **Effective from** checkbox and pick the date when the schedule comes into effect.

The screenshot shows the 'Use New Scheduler' dialog box. At the top left is a blue button labeled 'Use New Scheduler'. Below it is a checkbox 'Do not schedule, run on demand' which is unchecked. A time zone dropdown menu is set to '(UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time'. Under 'Schedule #1', the dropdown is set to 'Run monthly/yearly'. The 'Run every' field is set to 'last', the day dropdown is 'Friday', and the 'of every' field is 'month'. The 'Starting at' field is '0:00' and the 'Ending' field is '6:00'. The 'Effective from' checkbox is unchecked. At the bottom right are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Periodic Backup

To run the job multiple times per day, choose **Run periodically** from the schedule drop-down list and then choose a time period from the appropriate boxes:

- Specify the time when the job should be started in the **Starting** box.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** box. If the job has not completed by the time specified, the job will be stopped.
- Select the days of the week during which the job will be started.
- If necessary, select the **Effective from** checkbox and pick the date when the schedule comes into effect.

The screenshot shows the 'Use New Scheduler' dialog box. At the top, there is a blue button labeled 'Use New Scheduler'. Below it, there is a checkbox for 'Do not schedule, run on demand'. A dropdown menu shows '(UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time'. Under 'Schedule #1', there is a dropdown for 'Run periodically', followed by 'every 30 minutes'. There are input fields for 'Starting at: 0:00' and 'Ending: 6:00'. Below that, there are checkboxes for days of the week: MO, TU, WE, TH, FR, SA, and SU. There are also links for 'All days', 'Work days', and 'Weekends'. At the bottom left, there is an 'Effective from' checkbox. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Chained Job

To run the job after a previous one has completed, choose **Run after another job** from the schedule drop-down list and set the options as follows:

- **After the job:** Select a job after which the current job will be started.
- **Run this job:** Choose whether to run the current job immediately after the previous one has completed or within a delay.
- **After successful runs:** If selected, the job will run if the previous one has completed successfully.
- **After failed runs:** If selected, the job will run if the previous one has failed.
- **After stopped runs:** If selected, the job will run if the previous one has been stopped.
- **Effective from:** If selected, the schedule will come into effect on the date picked.

The screenshot shows the 'Use New Scheduler' dialog box with chained job options. The 'Run after another job' dropdown is selected. Below it, the 'After the job:' dropdown is set to 'EC2 backup job'. The 'Run this job:' dropdown is set to 'Immediately'. There are checkboxes for 'After successful runs', 'After failed runs', and 'After stopped runs'. There is also an 'Effective from' checkbox. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Tape Backup Wizard: Retention

Important

This page is not displayed if the new scheduler is enabled.

Specify how many recovery points you need to be copied by the job. Use the following options:

- **Keep all recovery points forever:** When this option is selected, the job keeps all available recovery points until they are manually removed. To set a different retention policy, deselect this option and choose one of the options below.
- **Keep X last recovery points:** Keeps the specified number of last recovery points for each machine in the job.
- **Keep one recovery point per day for X days:** Keeps one last recovery point per day for the specified number of days.
- **Keep one recovery point per week for X weeks:** Keeps the last available backup of every week for the specified number of weeks.
- **Keep one recovery point per month for X months:** Keeps the last available backup of every month for the specified number of months.
- **Keep one recovery point per year for X years:** Keeps the last available backup of every year for the specified number of years.

The screenshot shows the 'New Backup Copy Job Wizard' interface, specifically the 'Retention' step (step 4 of 5). The wizard has five steps: 1. Backups, 2. Destination, 3. Schedule, 4. Retention, and 5. Options. The 'Retention' step is currently active. It features a list of retention options with checkboxes and input fields for the number of recovery points or duration. The 'Keep all recovery points forever' option is selected. Below it, there are five other options: 'Keep 10 last recovery points', 'Keep one recovery point per day for 10 days', 'Keep one recovery point per week for 4 weeks', 'Keep one recovery point per month for 12 months', and 'Keep one recovery point per year for 3 years'. A 'Learn more' link is present below the options. At the bottom right, there are 'Next' and 'Cancel' buttons.

Option	Value	Unit
Keep all recovery points forever		
Keep 10 last recovery points	10	
Keep one recovery point per day for	10	days
Keep one recovery point per week for	4	weeks
Keep one recovery point per month for	12	months
Keep one recovery point per year for	3	years

For an example of job retention settings and further explanation, refer to the [Keeping Recovery Points](#) Knowledge Base article.

Tape Backup Wizard: Options

On the **Options** page of the wizard, you can name the job and enable/disable network acceleration and encryption. In addition, you can set up pre and post actions and enable bandwidth throttling.

- [Job Options](#)
 - [Job Name](#)
 - [Job Priority](#)
 - [Network Acceleration](#)
 - [Data Encryption](#)
- [Tape Backup Settings](#)
 - [Create Full Backup](#)
 - [Tape Appending](#)
- [Pre and Post Job Actions](#)
 - [Email Notifications](#)
 - [Pre Job Script](#)
 - [Post Job Script](#)
- [Data Transfer](#)
 - [Bandwidth Throttling](#)
 - [Bottleneck Detection](#)
- [Completing Tape Backup Wizard](#)

Job Options

In this section, you can give a name to the tape backup job and enable/disable app-aware mode, change tracking, network acceleration, and encryption.

The screenshot shows the 'New Backup Copy Job Wizard' interface. At the top, there are five tabs: 1. Backups, 2. Destination, 3. Schedule, 4. Retention, and 5. Options. The 'Options' tab is selected. Below the tabs, the 'Job Options' section is highlighted with a red box. It contains the following fields:

- Job name: Backup copy job
- Job priority: 5
- Network acceleration: Disabled
- Network encryption: Disabled

Below the 'Job Options' section, there are several other sections:

- Tape Backup Settings:**
 - Create full backup: Job runs # 5
 - If a full backup fails, create a full backup on the next job run
 - Tape appending: Append previous tape, if possible
- Pre and Post Actions:**
 - Send job run reports to: admin@nakivo.com
 - Run local pre job script
 - Run local post job script
- Data Transfer:**
 - Bandwidth throttling: Disabled
 - Bottleneck detection

At the bottom right of the wizard, there are three buttons: Cancel, Finish (highlighted in blue), and Finish & Run.

Job Name

Specify a name for the tape backup job in the **Job name** box.

Job Priority

Select a job priority level between 1 and 5, with 1 being the highest priority. Jobs with higher priority levels are prioritized by Transporters during job processing.

Notes

- This option is only available in the Enterprise, Enterprise Essentials, Enterprise Plus, MSP Enterprise, and MSP Enterprise Plus editions.
- If a tape backup job contains multiple backup objects, setting its **Job Priority** to 1 does not necessarily mean that the job will finish before lower priority jobs. This is because backup objects in Tape backup jobs are processed one by one, meaning that a Transporter is released after processing a given backup object. After the target tape cartridge for a subsequent backup object is found, a Transporter is assigned to the backup object with the highest priority.

Network Acceleration

Once Network Acceleration is enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will use compression and traffic reduction techniques to speed up data transfer. Select this option if you are backing up over WAN without a VPN connection. For more information, refer to [Network Acceleration](#). If the source backup is already compressed, it is recommended to enable Network Acceleration and make sure that the source Backup Repository and target tape device have the same compression level. For more information, see [this article](#).

Data Encryption

If the **Encryption** option is selected, backup data will be protected with AES 256 encryption while traveling over the network. Data encryption increases the backup time and CPU load on machines running Transporters. Select this option if you back up over WAN without a VPN connection. For more information, refer to [“Encryption in Flight and at Rest” on page 48](#).

Note

You need at least one Transporter at the source and target sites to enable encryption.

Tape Backup Settings

In this section, select when you want the system to create full backups and set up the rules for data appending.

New Backup Copy Job Wizard

1. Backups 2. Destination 3. Schedule 4. Retention 5. Options

Job Options

Job name:

Job priority: ⓘ

Network acceleration: ⓘ

Network encryption: ⓘ

Tape Backup Settings

Create full backup: ⓘ

If a full backup fails, create a full backup on the next job run ⓘ

Tape appending: ⓘ

Pre and Post Actions

Send job run reports to ⓘ

Run local pre job script ⓘ

Run local post job script ⓘ

Data Transfer

Bandwidth throttling: ⓘ

Bottleneck detection ⓘ

Creating Full Backup

With the **Create full backup** list, you can specify how often the system should perform a full (not incremental) backup to tape. The following options are available:

- **Always:** Every backup will be full
- **Every:** Select a day of the week. The full backup will be performed once a week on a specified day
- **Every 2nd:** Select a day of the week. The full backup will be performed once in 2 weeks on a specified day
- **First:** Select a day of the week. The full backup will be performed once per month starting with the first specified day of the month
- **Second:** Select a day of the week. The full backup will be performed once per month starting with the second specified day of the month
- **Third:** Select a day of the week. The full backup will be performed once per month starting with the third specified day of the month
- **Fourth:** Select a day of the week. The full backup will be performed once per month starting with the fourth specified day of the month
- **Last:** Select a day of the week. The full backup will be performed once per month starting with the last specified day of the month
- **Day #:** Select the day number. The full backup will be performed once per month on the specified day number
- **Job runs #:** Specify the number of backup jobs to pass before running a full backup

With the **If a full backup fails, create a full backup on the next job run** option selected, the next job run creates a full backup if the current job run fails to do so.

Note

Only **Always** and **Job runs #** options are always available for selection. The rest of the options' availability depends on the scheduling settings specified on the Schedule page.

Tape Appending

The **Tape appending** feature allows you to set up the rules for data appending. The following options are available:

- **Append previous tape if possible:**
 - The job run appends data to the last tape cartridge.
 - If the tape cartridge that was last written during the last job run is not available in the device or is full, the job starts with an empty cartridge:
 - All job objects within the job run are written to the selected tape cartridge one by one.
 - If the selected tape cartridge runs out of space, the next empty tape cartridge is selected and the process repeats until all job objects are written.
- **Start full backup with an empty tape:**
 - In case the backup modes of all job objects within the job run are defined as **full**:
 - The job run starts with an empty tape cartridge.
 - All job objects within the job run are written to the selected tape cartridge one by one.
 - If the selected tape cartridge runs out of space, the next empty tape cartridge is selected and the process repeats until all job objects are written.
 - In case the backup modes of all job objects within the job run are defined as **incremental**:
 - The job run appends data to the last tape cartridge.
 - All job objects within the job run are written to the selected tape cartridge one by one.
 - If the selected tape cartridge runs out of space, the next empty tape cartridge is selected and the process repeats until all job objects are written.
 - In case the backup modes of all job objects within the job run are defined as a **mix of full and incremental** modes:
 - The job run appends data to the last tape cartridge.
 - All job objects within the job run are written to the selected tape cartridge one by one.
 - If the selected tape cartridge runs out of space, the next empty tape cartridge is selected and the process repeats until all job objects are written.
- **Always start with an empty tape:**
 - The job starts with an empty tape cartridge.
 - All job objects within the job run are written to the selected tape cartridge one by one.

- In case the selected tape cartridge runs out of space, the next empty tape cartridge is selected and the process repeats until all job objects are written.

Pre and Post Job Actions

NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides you with the ability to enable certain actions before a tape backup job begins and after it has completed. You can choose to send job run reports to the email provided and run local [pre and post job scripts](#).

The screenshot shows the 'New Backup Copy Job Wizard' interface with the following settings:

- 1. Backups:** Job name: Backup copy job
- 2. Destination:** Job priority: 5
- 3. Schedule:** Network acceleration: Disabled; Network encryption: Disabled
- 4. Retention:** Create full backup: Job runs # 5; If a full backup fails, create a full backup on the next job run: ; Tape appending: Append previous tape, if possible
- 5. Options:**
 - Pre and Post Actions:**
 - Send job run reports to: admin@nakivo.com
 - Run local pre job script
 - Run local post job script
 - Data Transfer:** Bandwidth throttling: Disabled; Bottleneck detection:

Buttons at the bottom: Cancel, Finish, Finish & Run

Email Notifications

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can send email notifications on job completion status to specified recipients. This feature complements global notifications and provides you with the ability to configure notifications on a per-job level.

To enable this option, configure your [Email settings](#).

To send email notifications, do the following:

- In the *Pre- and Post- Actions* section, select the **Send job run reports to** option and specify one or more email addresses in the text box. Separate multiple email addresses with a semicolon.

Pre Job Script

To run a script before the product begins copying backups, do the following:

1. Place a script file on the machine on which the Director is installed.
2. In the *Pre and Post Actions* section, select the **Run local pre job script** option and click the **settings** link. Specify the following parameters in the dialog that opens:
 - **Script path:** Specify a local path to the script on the machine on which the Director is installed. Script interpreter should be specified.
Example (Windows): `cmd.exe /c D:\script.bat`
Example (Linux): `bash /root/script.sh`
 - **Job behavior:** Choose either of the following job behaviors in relation to script completion:
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** If this option is selected, tape backup will not be started until the script is completed.
 - **Do not wait for the script to finish:** If this option is selected, the product will run the script and will start copying backups at the same time.
 - **Error handling:** Choose either of the following job behaviors in relation to script failure:
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** If this option is selected, the job will perform tape backup even if the script has failed.
 - **Fail the job on script failure:** If this option is selected and the script fails, the job will be failed and tape backup will not be performed.

Post Job Script

To run a script after the product has finished copying all backups, do the following:

1. Place a script file on the machine on which the Director is installed.
2. In the *Pre and Post Actions* section, select the **Run local post job script** option and click the **settings** link. Specify the following parameters in the dialog box that opens:

- **Script path:** Specify a local path to the script on the machine on which the Director is installed. Script interpreter should be specified.
Example (Windows): `cmd.exe /c D:\script.bat`
Example (Linux): `bash /root/script.sh`
- **Job behavior:** Choose either of the following job behaviors in relation to script completion:
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** If this option is selected, the job will be in the “running” state until the script is completed.
 - **Do not wait for the script to finish:** If this option is selected, the job will be completed even if the script execution is still in progress.
- **Error handling:** Choose either of the following job behaviors in relation to script failure:
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** If this option is selected, script failure will not influence the status of the job.
 - **Fail the job on script failure:** If this option is selected and the script has failed, the job status will be set to “failed” even if VM backup has been successful.

Important

Pre and post job scripts can be executed only on the machine where the Director is installed.

Data Transfer

In the *Data Transfer* section of the Options page, you can configure [bandwidth throttling](#).

The screenshot shows the 'New Backup Copy Job Wizard' interface. The 'Options' tab is selected, and the 'Data Transfer' section is highlighted with a red box. The 'Data Transfer' section includes the following settings:

- Bandwidth throttling:** Disabled
- Bottleneck detection:** Unchecked

Other visible settings in the 'Options' tab include:

- Job name:** Backup copy job
- Job priority:** 5
- Network acceleration:** Disabled
- Network encryption:** Disabled
- Tape Backup Settings:**
 - Create full backup:** Job runs # 5
 - If a full backup fails, create a full backup on the next job run
 - Tape appending:** Append previous tape, if possible
- Pre and Post Actions:**
 - Send job run reports to admin@nakivo.com
 - Run local pre job script
 - Run local post job script

At the bottom of the wizard, there are three buttons: 'Cancel', 'Finish', and 'Finish & Run'.

Bandwidth Throttling





Follow the steps below to regulate the speed of data transfer over the network for your tape backup job:

1. For the **Bandwidth throttling** option, choose **Enabled**.

Note

If bandwidth throttling is disabled for the current job, global bandwidth rules may still apply to your job. Refer to [“Bandwidth Throttling” on page 355](#) for details.

2. Click the **Settings** link that becomes available.
3. The *Job Bandwidth Rules* dialog box opens displaying you the list of available rules. You have the following options:
 - Create a new bandwidth rule for your tape backup job:
 1. Click the **Create New Rule** button.
 2. The *New Bandwidth Rule* dialog box opens. Refer to [“Bandwidth Throttling” on page 355](#) for details on creating a bandwidth rule.
 3. Click **Save**.
 - Activate an existing bandwidth rule for your job. Select the checkbox to the left of the necessary bandwidth rule. To deactivate a bandwidth rule for your job, clear the corresponding checkbox.
 - Edit a bandwidth rule. Click the **Edit** link for a bandwidth rule and modify it in the *Edit Bandwidth Rule* dialog box that opens.
 - Disable a bandwidth rule. Click the **Disable** link. The bandwidth rule will be disabled for all jobs.
 - Remove a bandwidth rule. Click the **Remove** link and then click **Delete** to confirm your operation.

Job Bandwidth Rules				
🔍 Search				
Rule Name	Limit	Schedule	Status	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  BS19804 Rule	10 Mbit/s	None	Active	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  BS19805 Rule	5 Mbit/s	2:00 on MON, TUE	Waiting on schedule	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  BS19805 Rule2	7 Mbit/s	2:00 on WED, THU	Active	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  BS19805 Rule3	9 Mbit/s	2:00 on FRI	Waiting on schedule	

[Create New Rule](#)

Bottleneck detection

When the **Bottleneck detection** option is enabled, additional information is collected and recorded in NAKIVO Backup & Replication logs in the course of data transfer for the purpose of bottleneck detection. Check this option to enable the **Bottleneck detection** capability of the physical machine agent engaged in the job.

Completing Tape Backup Wizard

Click **Finish** or **Finish & Run** to complete the job creation.

Note

If you click **Finish & Run**, you will have to define the scope of your job. Refer to [“Running Jobs on Demand” on page 317](#) for details.

Staging (Seeding) Initial Backup

Since initial backups are often large, the first backup job run can be slow and time-consuming when done over WAN, and it can also put an undesirable load on the network when done over LAN. To speed up the initial backup and save network bandwidth, you can perform a staged backup (seed backups): run the initial backup on a removable media device (such as an external USB hard drive), transfer the media to a new location, and then run an incremental backup to the new location.

To perform a staged backup, follow the steps below:

1. [Create a new Backup Repository](#).
2. Create and run a new backup job.
3. After the job has completed, [move the Backup Repository](#) to a new location.
4. If required, [edit the backup job](#) and specify a schedule for the backup job.

Deleting Backups

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can permanently delete a backup with all of its recovery points if this backup is available in a Backup Repository. You can also delete specific recovery points in a backup without affecting any of the other recovery points. The option to delete a specific recovery point can be used if you get an alert about corrupted recovery points in a backup.

Note

You can delete a backup only if you have deleted the corresponding backup job or edited the backup job to not include the backup's source VM or physical machine.

Refer to one of the following sections:

- [Deleting a Single Backup](#)
- [Deleting Backups in Bulk](#)
- [Deleting Recovery Points](#)
 - [Deleting a Single Recovery Point](#)
 - [Bulk Recovery Points Deletion](#)

Deleting a Single Backup

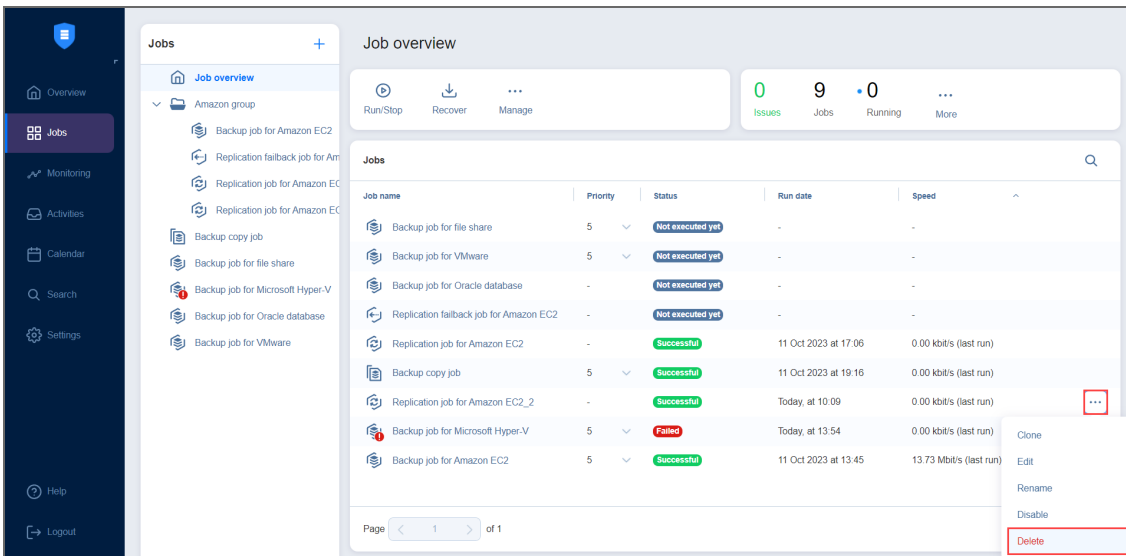
To delete a backup permanently, follow the steps below:

1. In the main menu, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and click the Backup Repository you need.
3. Hover over the backup you want to delete, and on the right side, click **Delete**.
4. Click **Delete** in the dialog box that opens.

Note

For a **Forever-incremental** Backup Repository (that is, when the **Store backups in separate files** option is not selected), the space that was occupied by the deleted backup is marked "free" and reused by new data blocks on subsequent job runs. However, the actual size of the Backup Repository may not change. To free up the space that was occupied by the deleted backup, you can [reclaim the free space](#).

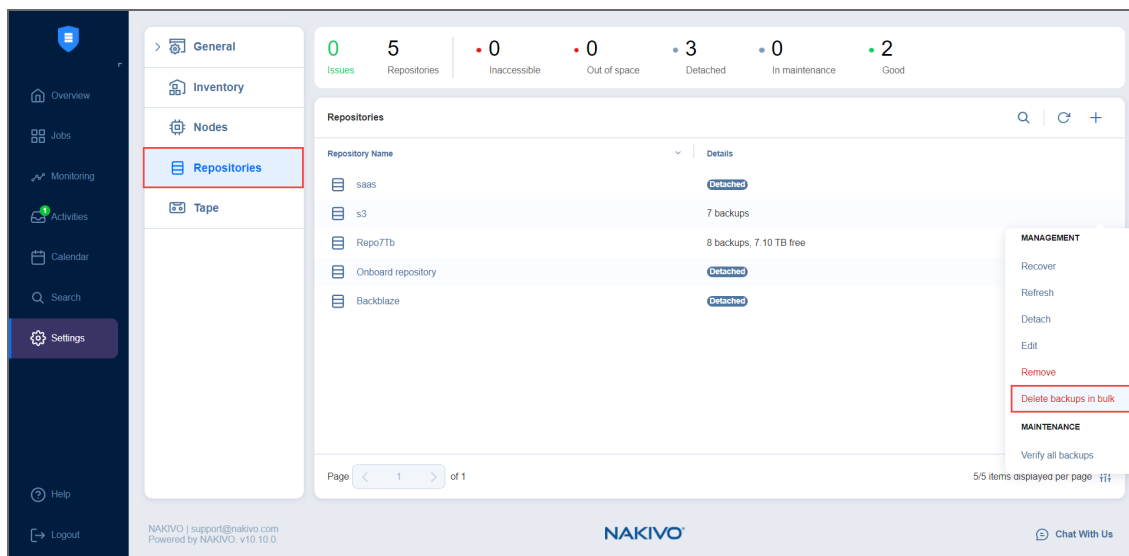
For SaaS Backup Repositories, manually removing backup data may not return space to the operating system correctly.



Deleting Backups in Bulk

To permanently delete several backups that match specific criteria, follow the steps below:

1. In the main menu, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and hover over the Backup Repository you need.
3. Click the ellipsis **Manage** button and then click **Delete backups in bulk**.



4. In the **Bulk Delete Backup** dialog box that opens, select one of the available options:
 - **All backups not belonging to any job**
 - **All backups not belonging to any job and older than X <time_units>**, where X is an integer and <time_units> is either days, weeks, or months
 - **All recovery points older than X <time_units>**, where X is an integer and <time_units> is either days, weeks, or months

- **All legacy recovery points not belonging to any job and older than X <time_units>**, where X is an integer and <time_units> is either days, weeks, or months
- **All corrupted recovery points**
- **All missing recovery points**

The dialog shows the number of backups to be deleted.

5. Click **Next**.
6. The **Bulk Delete Backups** dialog box opens displaying the list of backups to be deleted. Click **Delete** to confirm the deletion of backups.

Note

For a **Forever-incremental** Backup Repository (that is, when the **Store backups in separate files** option is not selected), the space that was occupied by the deleted backup is marked “free” and reused by new data blocks on subsequent job runs. However, the actual size of the Backup Repository may not change. To free up the space that was occupied by the deleted backup, you can [reclaim the free space](#).

For SaaS Backup Repositories, manually removing backup data may not return space to the operating system correctly.

Deleting Recovery Points

You can delete a single recovery point, all corrupted recovery points, or all recovery points older than a specified number of days.

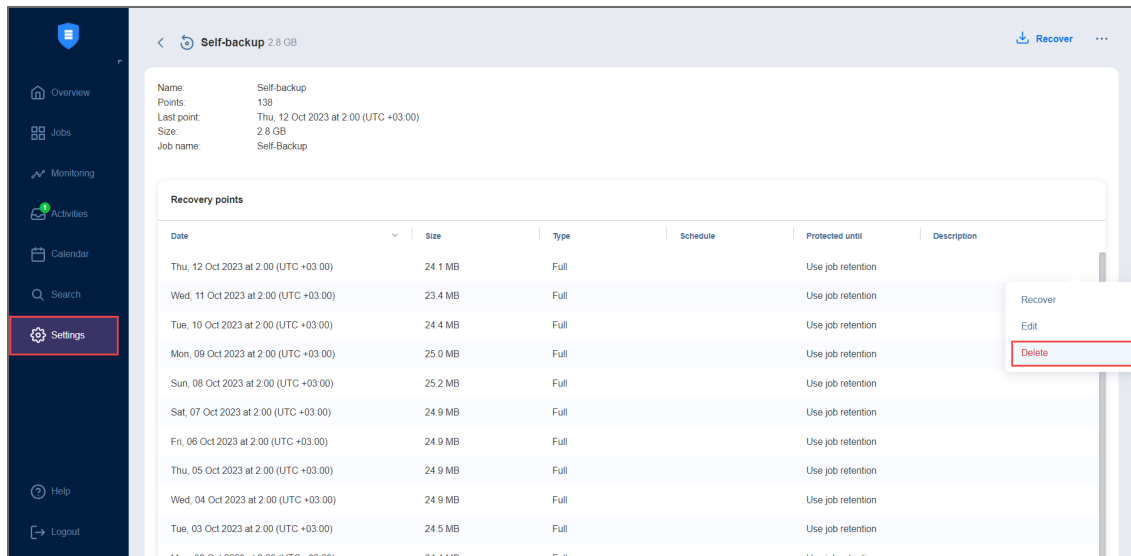
Notes

1. If a backup is used by a VM/EC2 instance/physical machine backup job, you cannot delete the last recovery point in that backup.
2. A recovery point cannot be deleted while the source VM/EC2 instance/physical machine backup job is running.

Deleting a Single Recovery Point

To delete a single recovery point in response to a corruption alert or for functional requirements, do the following:

1. In the main menu, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and click the Backup Repository you need.
3. Click the backup with the recovery point you want to delete.
4. Hover over the recovery point that you want to delete, and on the right side, click **Delete**.



5. Click **Delete Recovery Point** in the message box that opens.

Note

For a **Forever-incremental** Backup Repository (that is, when the **Store backups in separate files** option is not selected), the space that was occupied by the deleted recovery point is marked “free” and reused by new data blocks on subsequent job runs. However, the actual size of the Backup Repository may not change. To free up the space that was occupied by the deleted recovery point, you can [reclaim the free space](#).

Bulk Recovery Points Deletion

1. In the main menu, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and click the Backup Repository you need.
3. Click **Manage** and then click **Delete backups in bulk**.
4. In the **Bulk Delete Backups** dialog box that opens, select criteria for recovery points to be deleted:
 - **All recovery points older than X <time_units>**, where X is an integer and <time_units> is either days, weeks, or months. When selected, the recovery points that are older than the specified time interval are deleted.

Notes

The following deletion exclusions are applicable:

- For **Forever-incremental** repositories (that is, when the **Store backups in separate files** option is not selected): If all recovery points of a backup match the deletion criteria, the latest recovery point – whether corrupted or not – is not deleted.
- For **Incremental-with-full-backups** repositories (that is, when the **Store backups in separate files** option is selected):
 - Recovery points that are older than the end of the time interval that have dependent recovery points that are newer than the beginning of the time interval are not deleted.
 - If all recovery points in a backup match the deletion criteria, the latest full recovery point – whether corrupted or not – is not deleted.

- **All corrupted recovery points:** When this option is selected, all recovery points that are corrupted are deleted. Recovery point selection criteria include the following:
 - For **Forever-incremental** repositories (that is, when the **Store backups in separate files** option is not selected), if a backup is used by a backup job and all its recovery points are corrupted, the latest recovery point is not deleted.
 - For **Incremental-with-full-backups** repositories (that is, when the **Store backups in separate files** option is selected), this option also deletes all recovery points that are dependent on corrupted recovery points. If all recovery points in a backup are corrupted or depend on a corrupted recovery point and match the deletion criteria, the latest full recovery point is not deleted.

Note

This option is not available for Microsoft 365 backups.

- **All missing recovery points:** When selected, all missing recovery points are deleted. Recovery point selection criteria include the following:
 - For **Forever-incremental** repositories (that is, when the **Store backups in separate files** option is not selected), this option deletes all missing recovery points. If all recovery points in a backup are missing, the latest recovery point is not deleted.
 - For **Incremental-with-full-backups** repositories (that is, when the **Store backups in separate files** option is selected), this option deletes all missing recovery points and any recovery points that are dependent on them. If all recovery points in a backup are missing or depend on missing recovery points, the latest full recovery point is not deleted.

The dialog box shows the number of recovery points to be deleted.

Bulk Delete Backups ✕

Please select what items must be deleted:

- All backups not belonging to any job
- All backups not belonging to any job and older than - 30 + Days ▾
- All recovery points older than - 30 + Days ▾
- All legacy recovery points not belonging to any job and older than - 30 + Days ▾ ⓘ
- All corrupted recovery points
- All missing recovery points

4 recovery points will be deleted.

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Cancel
Next

5. The **Bulk Delete Recovery Points** dialog box opens displaying the list of recovery points to be deleted. Click **Delete** to confirm deleting the recovery points.

Bulk Delete Recovery Points ✕

The following 4 recovery points will be deleted:

Centos2012	Sat, 02 Jul 2022 at 0:00 (UTC +03:00)
Centos2012	Thu, 30 Jun 2022 at 19:42 (UTC +03:00)
Centos2012	Thu, 30 Jun 2022 at 0:00 (UTC +03:00)
Centos2012	Wed, 29 Jun 2022 at 15:48 (UTC +03:00)

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Replication

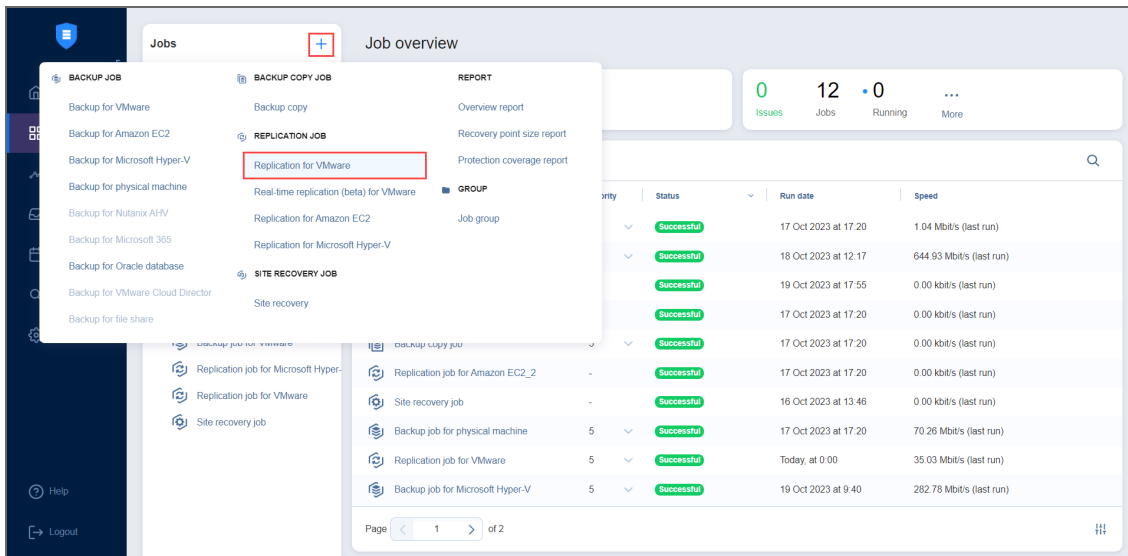
With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can perform replication of virtual machines. Replication creates and maintains an identical copy of the source VM at the target location.

Refer to the following topics for more information:

- [“Creating VMware Replication Jobs” on page 786](#)
- [“Creating VMware Real-Time Replication \(Beta\) Jobs” on page 820](#)
- [“Staging \(Seeding\) VM Replication” on page 840](#)

Creating VMware Replication Jobs

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can replicate VMware VMs using the workflow with a wide array of available options. To create a replication job, click the plus **Create** button in the **Jobs** menu and then click **Replication for VMware**.



- [“Replication Job Wizard for VMware: Source” on page 787](#)
- [“Replication Job Wizard for VMware: Destination” on page 792](#)
- [“Replication Job Wizard for VMware: Networks” on page 796](#)
- [“Replication Job Wizard for VMware: Re-IP” on page 799](#)
- [“Replication Job Wizard for VMware: Schedule” on page 802](#)
- [“Replication Job Wizard for VMware: Retention” on page 807](#)
- [“Replication Job Wizard for VMware: Options” on page 808](#)

Replication Job Wizard for VMware: Source

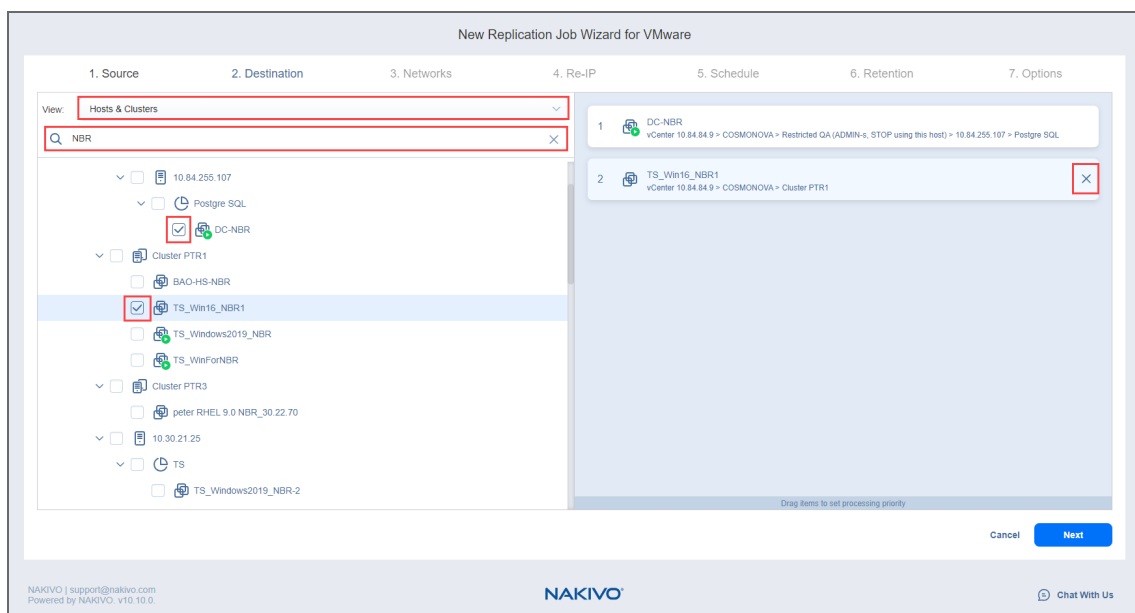
On the **Source** page of the wizard, select one of the views to add VMware items to your replication job.

- [Host and Clusters](#)
- [VMs and Templates](#)
- [Jobs and Groups](#)
- [Backup Repositories](#)
- [Policy](#)

Host and Clusters

When the **Host & Clusters** view is chosen, the inventory tree opens in the left pane and displays all VMware items: clusters, hosts, folders, resource pools, and VMs. Proceed as follows:

1. Optionally, you can filter the inventory tree by entering a string into the **Search** box. You can enter a part of or the entire name of the item.
2. Select VMware items by placing a checkmark to the left of each item.
3. The selected items appear in the right pane of the page. You can reorder the selected items by dragging a VM or a container with the pointer to a new position. By doing that, you can specify to replicate the most important VMs first.
4. Review the list of selected VMware items. You can remove a selected VM or a container from the replication job in one of the following ways:
 - Deselect the item in the left pane. This will remove the item from the right pane; OR
 - In the right pane, hover the pointer over the item you want to remove and click **x** on the right. This will deselect the item in the left pane.

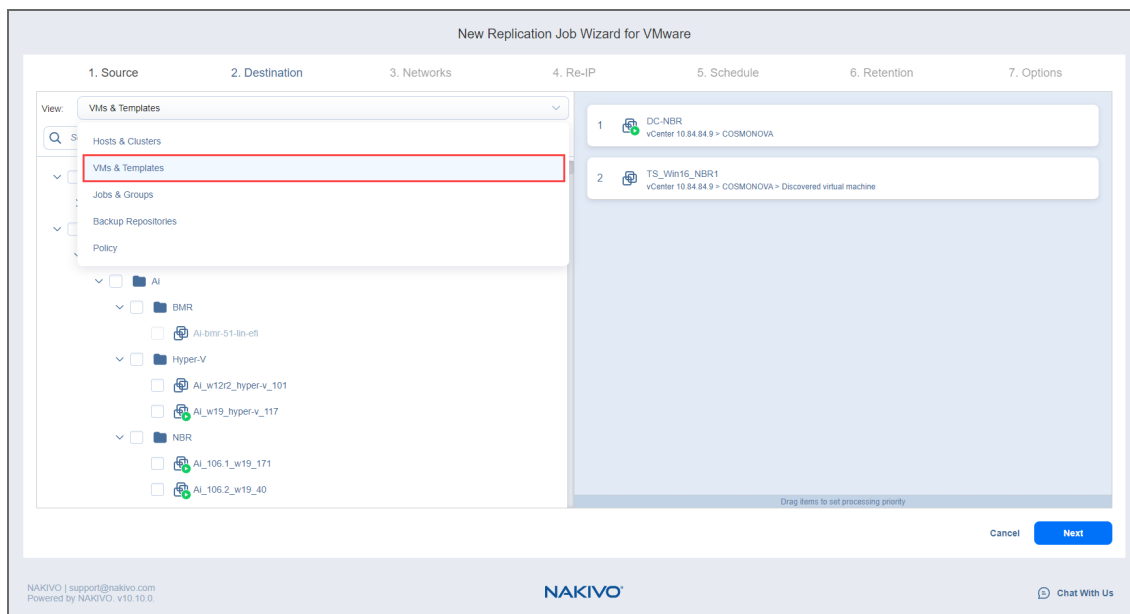


VMs and Templates

When the **VMs & Templates** view is selected, the inventory tree displays VMware hosts, VMs, and VM templates. Proceed as described for the **Hosts & Clusters** view above.

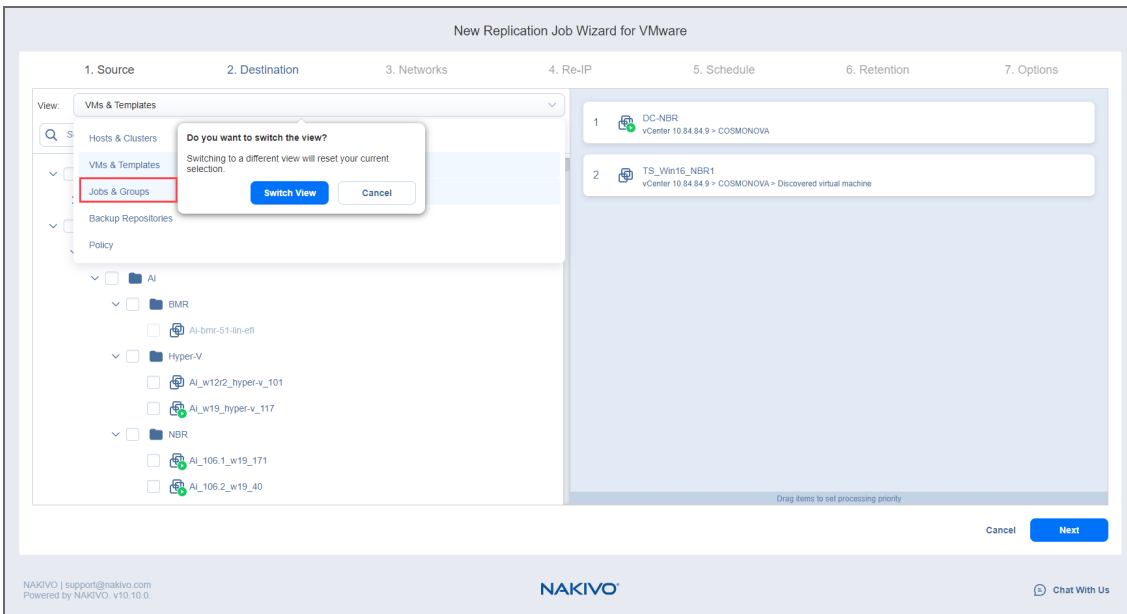
Note

Replication of VM templates is not supported.



Jobs and Groups

When the **Jobs & Groups** view is selected, the inventory tree displays groups, jobs, and backups of the appropriate hypervisor. Selecting a backup from the list allows you to replicate VMs directly from the backup (Refer to [“Replication From Backup”](#) on page 31). Proceed as described for the **Hosts & Clusters** view above.

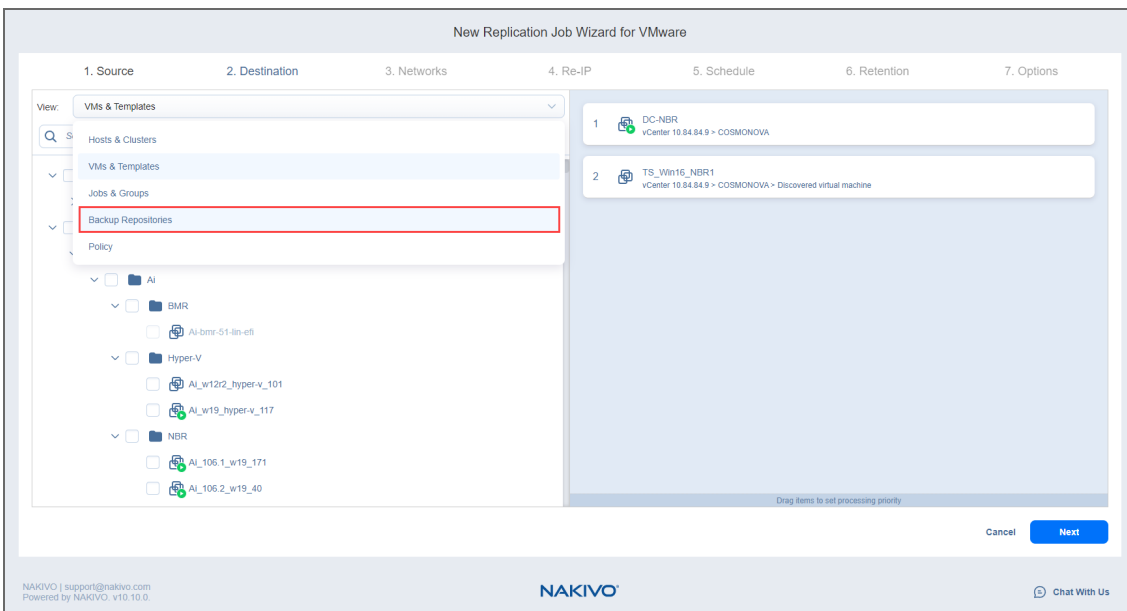


Backup Repositories

When the **Backup Repositories** view is selected, the inventory tree displays backup repositories that contain backups of the appropriate hypervisor. Proceed as described for the **Hosts & Clusters** view above.

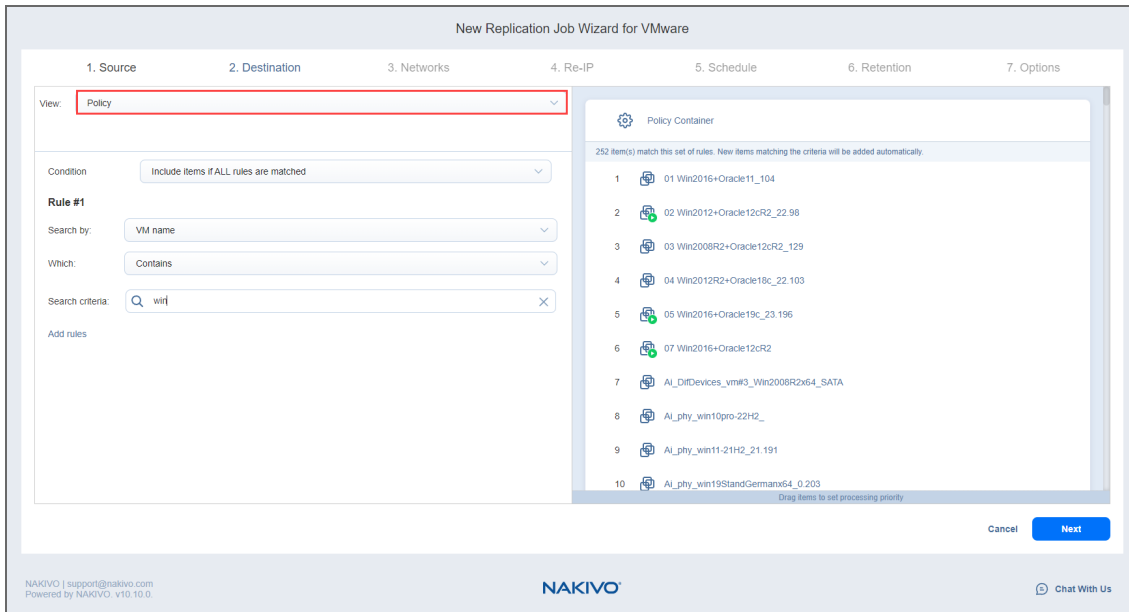
Note

Replication of VM templates is not supported.



Policy

When the **Policy** view selected, job policies can be used. Refer to [“Managing Job Policies” on page 331](#) for details. If the items were selected in alternate views, a dialog box opens warning you that switching to the **Policy** view will reset your current selection. Click **Switch View** to confirm switching to the **Policy** view. Make sure that at least one item matches the available set of policy rules. Refer to [“Managing Policy Rules” on page 334](#) for details.



Click **Next** to confirm adding selected VMs to the replication job. The wizard will display the next page.

Notes

- If you cannot find a VM or a container:
 - Make sure the corresponding vCenter or ESX(i) host has been [added to the inventory](#).
 - [Refresh the Inventory](#).
- By adding a VMware container to the job, you ensure that important VMs are always protected. If you add a VMware container to the job:
 - All VMs currently available in the selected container will be replicated.
 - All new VMs that will be created in (or moved to) the container in the future will be automatically added to the job and replicated.
- The order in which VMs are replicated is important if the **Transporter** performing replication cannot process all VMs of the job simultaneously — either because the Transporter is processing other jobs at the same time or because the job contains more VM disks than a **Transporter**'s maximum load specified during the **Transporter** creation.
- If all disks of a VM are unsupported (such as RDM disks in physical compatibility mode), this VM will be disabled in the inventory tree and it will not be possible to select it. Refer to [“Supported Platforms” on page 135](#) for details.
- VMs marked as primary are protected by [VMware Fault Tolerance](#). Disabled VMs are Fault Tolerance shadow VMs.

Replication Job Wizard for VMware: Destination

On the **Destination** page, select a location for your replica(s).

- [“Setting the Same Host, Datastore, and Network for All Replicas” below](#)
- [“Setting the Default Destination for Replicas” on the next page](#)
- [“Setting Different Options for Replicas” on the next page](#)
- [“Mapping Source VMs to Existing Replicas” on page 794](#)
- [“Excluding a VM Disk from the Replication Job” on page 795](#)

Note

When replicating an ESXi 8.0 VM to an ESXi 7.0 host, the **VirtualMachineConfigSpec > VirtualMachineSgxInfo** property is skipped.

Setting the Same Host, Datastore, and Network for All Replicas

To replicate all VMs to the same container and datastore, and to connect all replicas to the same network, follow the steps below:

1. Choose a cluster, host, or resource pool from the **Container** drop-down list.
2. Choose a datastore from the **Datastore** drop-down list.
3. If you are creating a Replication job from an existing Backup job (**Jobs & Groups** or **Backup repository** view), select a target network from the **Network** drop-down list.
4. Optionally, you can choose a target VM folder from the **VM folder** drop-down list.

The screenshot shows the 'New Replication Job Wizard for VMware' interface, specifically the 'Destination' step. The wizard is divided into seven steps: 1. Source, 2. Destination, 3. Networks, 4. Re-IP, 5. Schedule, 6. Retention, and 7. Options. The 'Destination' step is currently active. It features three dropdown menus: 'Container' with the value '10.30.21.86', 'Datastore' with the value 'Datastore', and 'VM folder' with the value 'Discovered virtual machine'. Below these menus is a yellow callout box with a question mark icon and the text: 'To use existing VMs as targets, expand the Advanced setup and specify the target VM for each source VM.' Underneath this is a section labeled 'Advanced setup...' which is currently empty. At the bottom right of the wizard, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons. The footer of the wizard includes the NAKIVO logo, the text 'NAKIVO | support@nakivo.com Powered by NAKIVO. v10.10.0', and a 'Chat With Us' button.

Setting the Default Destination for Replicas

If you have chosen a host, cluster, folder, or a resource pool as a source for your replication job on the **Source** wizard page, you can set the default container, datastore, and VM folder for replicas. To do this, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Advanced setup** and then click on the name of the chosen host, cluster, folder, or a resource pool.
2. Choose a **Default container**.
3. If you have chosen the backup job on the **Source** page, you can choose a **Default Network**.
4. Optionally, you can also choose a **Default VM folder**.

New Replication Job Wizard for VMware

1. Source 2. Destination 3. Networks 4. Re-IP 5. Schedule 6. Retention 7. Options

Container: 10.30.21.86
Datastore: Datastore
VM folder: Discovered virtual machine

To use existing VMs as targets, expand the Advanced setup and specify the target VM for each source VM.

10.30.31.124_Onb		Click to collapse	
Source		Target	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Use existing target VM
VM location:	vCenter 10.84.84.9 > COSMONOVA > 10.30.21.28	Container:	10.30.21.86
VM resources:	2 CPU, 4.0 GB RAM	Virtual Machine:	A new VM will be created
Disks		VM folder:	Discovered virtual machine
Hard disk 1:	HDD-R1 (4.6 GB)	Disks	Datastore
VM file:	HDD-R1	Hard disk 1:	Datastore
		VM file:	Datastore

Cancel Next

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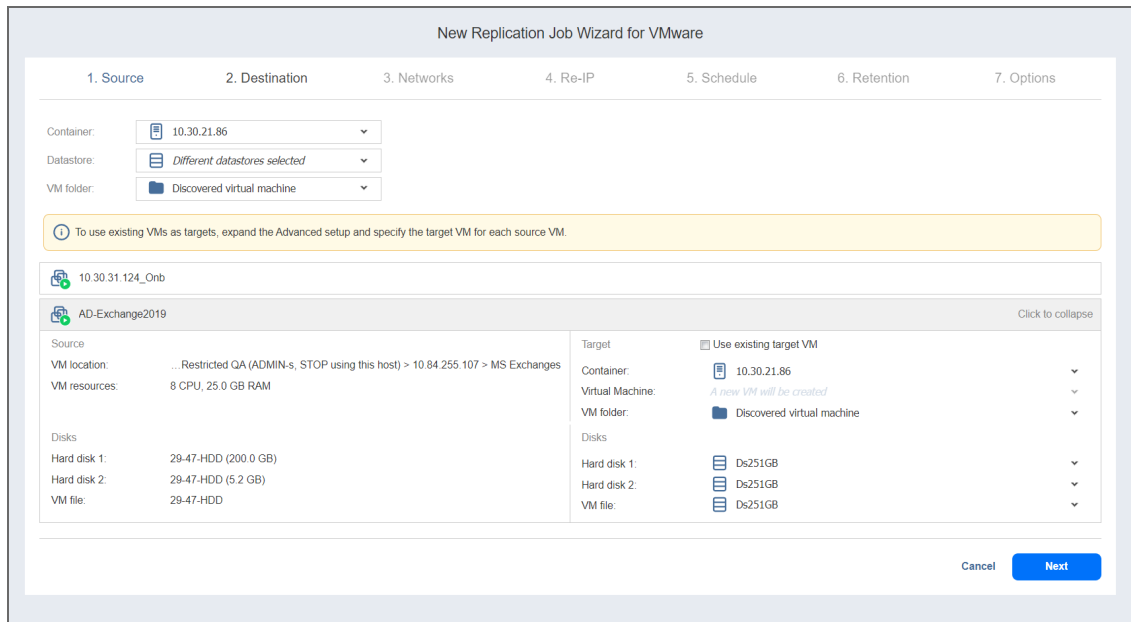
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Setting Different Options for Replicas

To specify different replication options for VMs, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Advanced setup**.
2. Choose a target container, target VM, and target datastore for each VM.

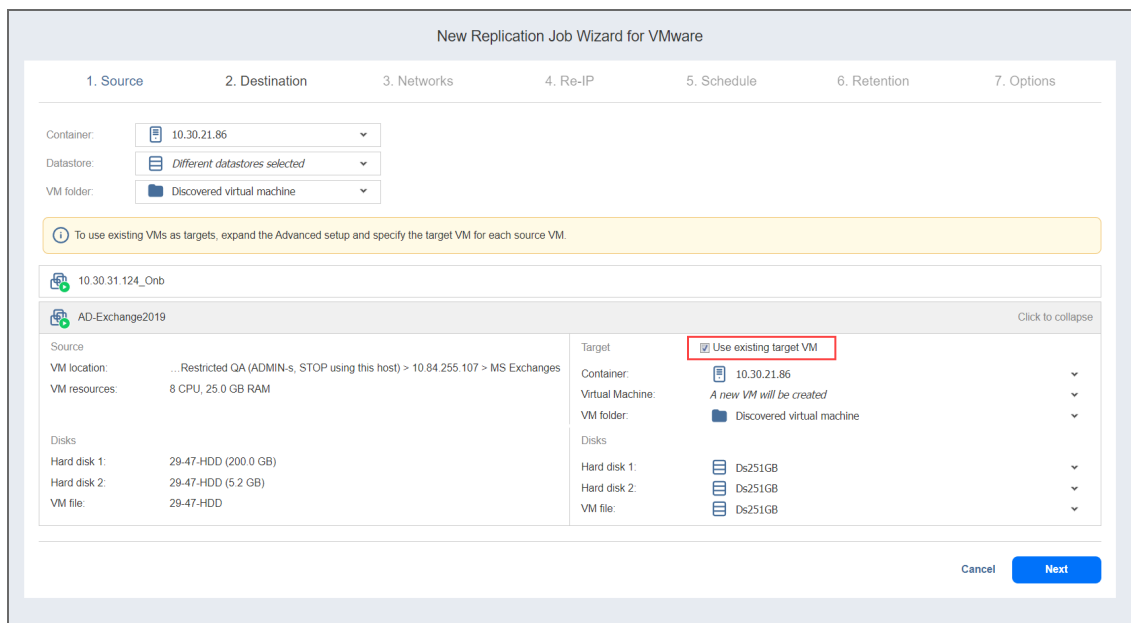


Mapping Source VMs to Existing Replicas

If you want to perform [staged replication](#) or if you lose the replication job (due to accidental job deletion or because you need to recreate jobs in a new copy of the product), you can map source VMs to existing replicas to avoid running full VM replication again.

To map source VMs to existing VMs, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Advanced setup**.
2. Open the target VM drop-down list and select the **Use existing target VM** option.
3. Select the VM that should be used as a target for replication in the **Virtual Machine** drop-down list.



When you run the job, the product analyzes the target VM you have selected, determines how it is different from the source VM, and transfers only the differential data.

VM replication mapping can be a time-consuming process that can be equal to the time required to create a full VM replication.

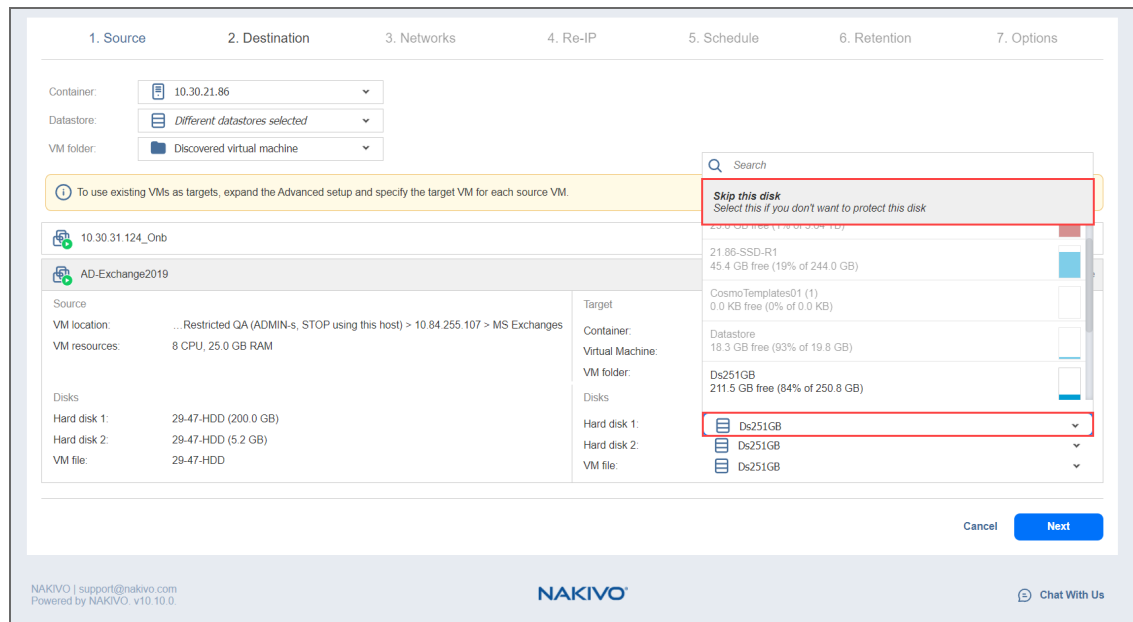
After the job completion, a new recovery point will be created and existing recovery points will not be changed or overwritten.

Excluding a VM Disk from the Replication Job

If you do not want to replicate some disks of a VM, you can exclude those disks from the replication job.

Follow the steps below:

1. Click **Advanced setup**.
2. Open the target VM drop-down list.
3. Click the drop-down list next to the disk that you want to skip and select the **Skip this disk** option.
4. After you have specified replica location options, click **Next** to go to the next page.



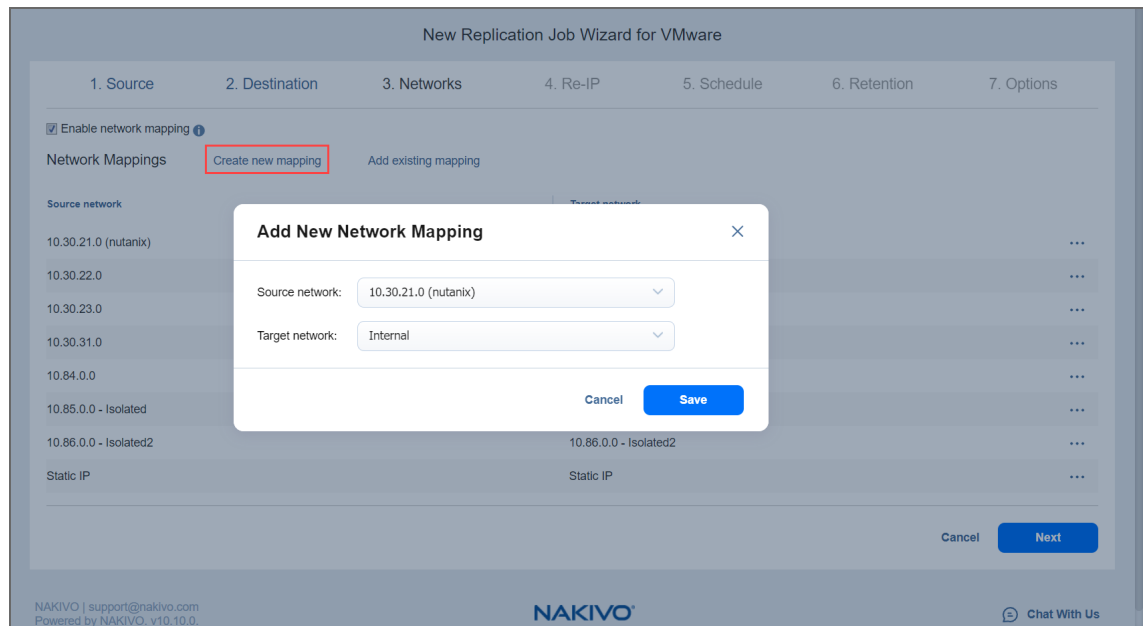
Replication Job Wizard for VMware: Networks

Note

The **Networks** page is skipped if you have chosen an existing backup as the source for your replication job on the **Source** wizard page.

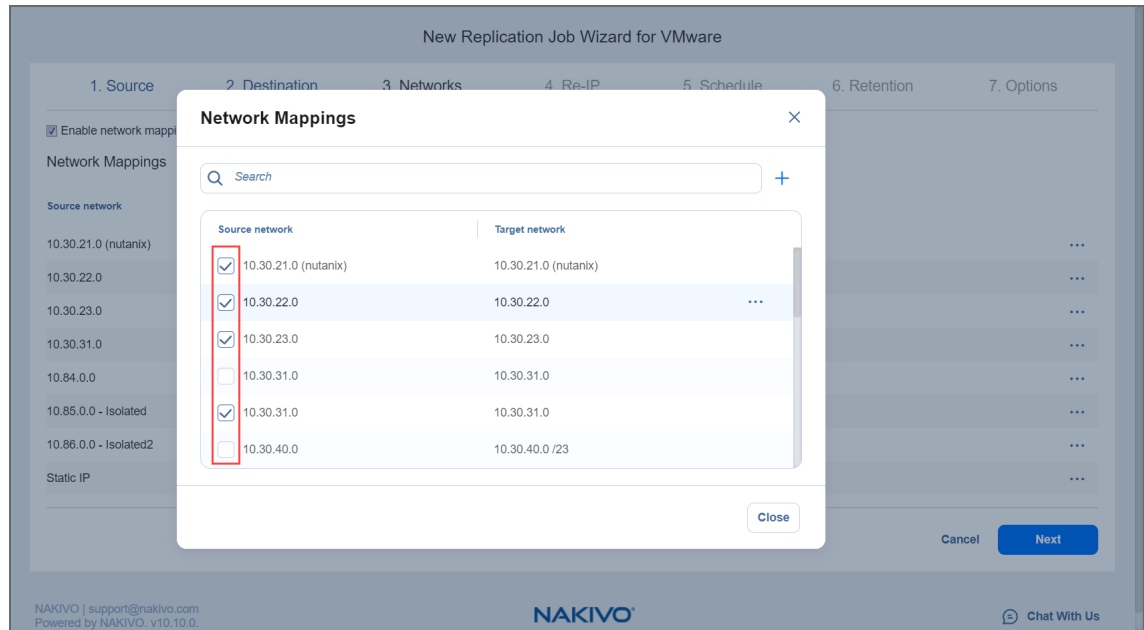
To map source VM virtual networks to appropriate target virtual networks, do the following on the **Networks** page in the wizard:

1. Select **Enable network mapping**.
2. The **Network Mappings** section opens. You have the following options:
 - Create a new mapping:
 - a. Click **Create new mapping**.
 - b. The **New Network Mapping** dialog box opens. Choose a source network and a target network and click **Save**.



- Add an existing mapping:
 - a. Click **Add existing mapping**.
 - b. The **Network Mappings** dialog box opens. Choose one or more appropriate network

mappings and close the dialog box.



- Edit an existing mapping:
 1. Hover the pointer over the required item in the **Network Mappings** list and click the ellipsis **Manage** button to the right of the item. Then, click **Edit**.
 2. The **Edit Network Mapping** dialog box opens. Choose the required item from the **Target network** drop-down list and click **Save**.



- Delete an existing mapping: Hover the pointer over the required item in the **Network Mappings** list and click the ellipsis **Manage** button to the right of the item. Then, click **Delete**.

New Replication Job Wizard for VMware

1. Source 2. Destination 3. Networks 4. Re-IP 5. Schedule 6. Retention 7. Options

Enable network mapping ⓘ

Network Mappings Create new mapping Add existing mapping

Source network	Target network	
10.30.21.0 (nutanix)	10.30.21.0 (nutanix)	...
10.30.22.0	10.30.22.0	...
10.30.23.0	10.30.23.0	...
10.30.31.0	10.30.31.0	...
10.84.0.0	10.84.0.0	...
10.85.0.0 - Isolated	10.85.0.0 - Isolated	...
10.86.0.0 - Isolated2	10.86.0.0 - Isolated2	...
Static IP	Static IP	...

Cancel **Next**

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3. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Replication Job Wizard for VMware: Re-IP

Note

The **Re-IP** page is skipped if you have chosen an existing backup as the target for your replication job on the **Source** wizard page.

To enable Re-IP rules for your replication job, do the following on the **Re-IP** page of the wizard:

1. Select **Enable Re-IP**.
2. Click the **Select VMs** link.
3. The **Re-IP** dialog box opens. In the list of your source VMs, select at least one, and close the dialog box.
4. You have the following options:
 - Create a new rule:
 - a. Click **Create new rule**.
 - b. The **New Re-IP Rule** dialog box opens. Enter source and target settings for the Re-IP rule and click **Save**.

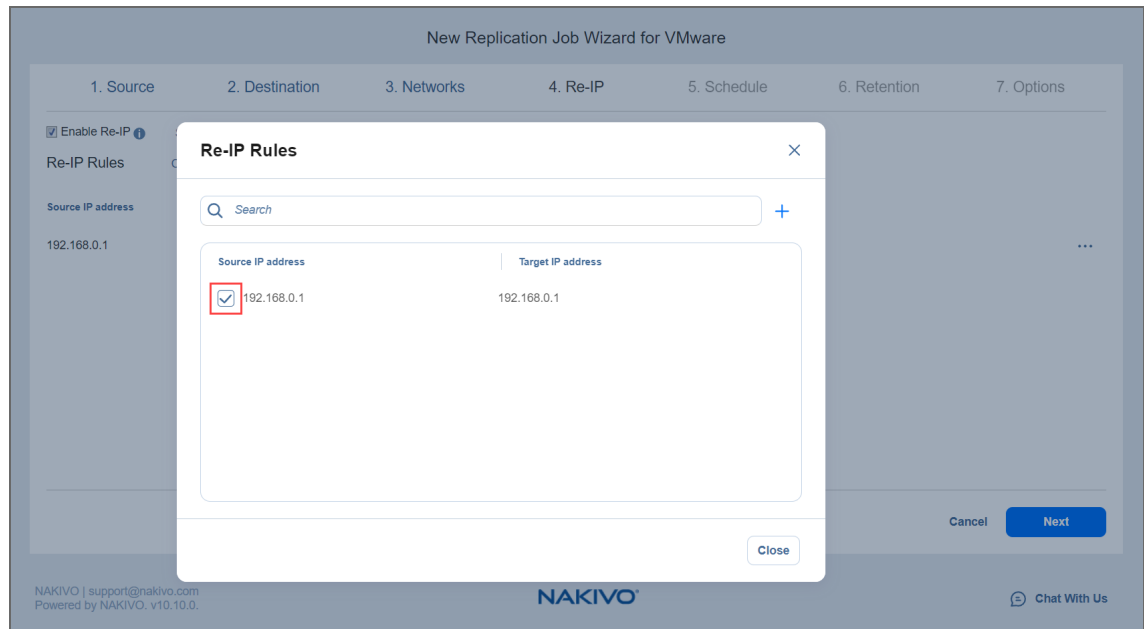
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Note

You can use wildcards for IP addresses. Refer to the [“Failover Job Wizard for VMware: Re-IP” on page 961](#) topic for details.

- Add an existing rule:

- a. Click **Add existing rule**.
- b. The **Re-IP Rules** dialog box opens. Select one or more appropriate Re-IP rules and close the dialog box.



- Edit an existing Re-IP rule:
 - a. Hover the pointer over the required item in the **Re-IP Rules** list and click the ellipsis **Manage** button to the right of the item. Then, click **Edit**.
 - b. The **Edit Re-IP Rule** dialog box opens. Edit the required properties of the Re-IP rule and click **Save**.



- Delete an existing mapping: Hover the pointer over the required item in the **Re-IP Rules** list and click the **Delete** icon to the right of the item.

New Replication Job Wizard for VMware

1. Source 2. Destination 3. Networks 4. Re-IP 5. Schedule 6. Retention 7. Options

Enable Re-IP ⓘ Select VMs

Re-IP Rules Create new rule Add existing rule

Source IP address	Target IP address
192.168.0.1	192.168.0.1

Cancel **Next**

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- To leave the list of existing Re-IP rules intact, go to the next page of the wizard.

5. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Notes

- Re-IP Rules enabled for replication jobs are only stubs for failover jobs. They do not work at the replication stage.
- Re-IP rules that are enabled for your replication job can be used for creating the corresponding failover jobs. Refer to [“Failover Job Wizard for VMware: Re-IP”](#) on [page 961](#) for details.

Replication Job Wizard for VMware: Schedule

On the **Schedule** page of the wizard, select to run the replication job manually or schedule the job to run on a regular basis.

- [“Disabling Scheduled Job Execution”](#) below
- [“Daily or Weekly Replication”](#) below
- [“Monthly or Yearly Replication”](#) on the next page
- [“Periodic Replication”](#) on page 804
- [“Chained Job”](#) on page 805
- [“Add Another Schedule”](#) on page 806

Disabling Scheduled Job Execution

If you wish to start the job manually (without any schedule), select the **Do not schedule, run on demand** checkbox.



Daily or Weekly Replication

To run the job once a day, choose **Run daily/weekly** from the schedule drop-down list and do the following:

- Choose a time zone that should be used for the job start and end times from the time zone drop-down list.
- Specify the time when the job should be started in the **Starting at** box.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** box. If the job has not completed by the time specified, the job will be stopped.
- Select the days of the week during which the job will be started.

- If necessary, select the **Effective from** checkbox and pick the date when the schedule comes into effect.

The screenshot shows the '5. Schedule' step of the 'New Replication Job Wizard for VMware'. The interface includes a progress bar at the top with steps 1 through 7. The main area contains the following elements:

- Do not schedule, run on demand
- Time zone: (UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time
- Schedule #1: Run daily/weekly
- Starting at: 0:00, Ending: 6:00
- Day selection: MO TU WE TH FR SA SU
- Options: All days, Work days, Weekends
- Frequency: every 1 weeks
- Effective from
- Buttons: Add another schedule, Show calendar
- Navigation: Cancel, Next

At the bottom of the wizard, there is contact information for NAKIVO (support@nakivo.com, Powered by NAKIVO v10.10.0) and a 'Chat With Us' button.

Monthly or Yearly Replication

To run the job monthly or yearly, choose **Run monthly/yearly** from the schedule drop-down list and do the following:

- Specify the job start schedule in the appropriate boxes.
- Specify the day and month when the job should be started in the **Run every** boxes.
- Specify the time when the job should be started in the **Starting at** box.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** box. If the job has not completed by the time specified, the job will be stopped.

- If necessary, select the **Effective from** checkbox and pick the date when the schedule comes into effect.

The screenshot shows the 'New Replication Job Wizard for VMware' interface, specifically the '5. Schedule' step. The wizard is divided into seven steps: 1. Source, 2. Destination, 3. Networks, 4. Re-IP, 5. Schedule, 6. Retention, and 7. Options. In the '5. Schedule' step, there are several options and fields:

- Do not schedule, run on demand
- Time zone: (UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time
- Schedule #1: Run monthly/yearly (highlighted with a red box)
- Run every: last Friday of every month
- Starting at: 0:00
- Ending: 6:00
- Effective from

At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons. The footer includes 'NAKIVO | support@nakivo.com', 'Powered by NAKIVO. v10.10.0.', the NAKIVO logo, and a 'Chat With Us' button.

Periodic Replication

To run the job multiple times per day, choose **Run periodically** from the schedule drop-down list and then choose a time period from the appropriate boxes:

- Specify the time when the job should be started in the **Starting at** box.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** box. If the job has not completed by the time specified, the job will be stopped.
- Select the days of the week during which the job will be started.

- If necessary, select the **Effective from** checkbox and pick the date when the schedule comes into effect.

The screenshot shows the '5. Schedule' step of the 'New Replication Job Wizard for VMware'. The interface includes the following elements:

- Progress tabs: 1. Source, 2. Destination, 3. Networks, 4. Re-IP, 5. Schedule (active), 6. Retention, 7. Options.
- Checkbox: Do not schedule, run on demand.
- Timezone dropdown: (UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time.
- Schedule #1 section:
 - Dropdown: Run periodically (highlighted with a red box).
 - Frequency: every 30 minutes.
 - Starting at: 0:00, Ending: 6:00.
 - Weekly schedule: MO TU WE TH FR SA SU.
 - Radio buttons: Effective from, All days, Work days, Weekends.
- Buttons: Add another schedule, Show calendar.
- Navigation: Cancel, Next.
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Chained Job

To run the job after a previous one has completed, choose **Run after another job** from the schedule drop-down list and set the options as follows:

- **After the job:** Select a job after which the current job will be started.
- **Run this job:** Choose whether to run the current job immediately after the previous one has completed or within a delay.
- **After successful runs:** If selected, the job will run if the previous one has completed successfully.
- **After failed runs:** If selected, the job will run if the previous one has failed.
- **After stopped runs:** If selected, the job will run if the previous one has been stopped.

- **Effective from:** If selected, the schedule will come into effect on the date picked.

The screenshot shows the '5. Schedule' step of the 'New Replication Job Wizard for VMware'. The wizard has seven steps: 1. Source, 2. Destination, 3. Networks, 4. Re-IP, 5. Schedule, 6. Retention, and 7. Options. In the '5. Schedule' step, there are several options: a checkbox for 'Do not schedule, run on demand', a time zone dropdown set to '(UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time', and a section for 'Schedule #1'. The 'Schedule #1' section includes a dropdown for 'Run after another job' (set to 'Run after another job'), an 'After the job:' dropdown (set to 'Backup job for physical machine'), and a 'Run this job:' dropdown (set to 'Immediately'). There are three checkboxes: 'After successful' (checked), 'After failed runs' (unchecked), and 'After stopped runs' (unchecked). Below these is the 'Effective from' checkbox, which is highlighted with a red box. At the bottom of the wizard, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons. The footer contains 'NAKIVO | support@nakivo.com Powered by NAKIVO. v10.10.0.' and a 'Chat With Us' button.

Add Another Schedule

If you want to have more than one schedule for your job, click **Add another schedule** and set it up as has been described above.

This screenshot is identical to the one above, showing the '5. Schedule' step of the 'New Replication Job Wizard for VMware'. In this version, the 'Add another schedule' link is highlighted with a red box. The 'Effective from' checkbox is no longer highlighted. The rest of the interface, including the 'Run after another job' dropdown, 'After the job:' dropdown, 'Run this job:' dropdown, and the three checkboxes, remains the same. The 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons are also visible at the bottom.

Replication Job Wizard for VMware: Retention

Important

This page is not displayed if the new scheduler is enabled.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can create a recovery point (snapshot) on the replica VM after each job run. You can specify the number of recovery points to be retained using the Grandfather-Father-Son (GFS) backup rotation scheme.

Up to 30 recovery points in total can be created on a replica VM.

Use the following options to specify a retention policy:

- **Keep x last recovery points:** Retains the specified number of last recovery points for each VM in the job.
- **Keep one recovery point per day for x days:** Retains one last recovery point per day for the specified number of days.
- **Keep one recovery point per week for x weeks:** Retains the last available backup of every week for the specified number of weeks.
- **Keep one recovery point per month for x months:** Retains the last available backup of every month for the specified number of months.
- **Keep one recovery point per year for x years:** Retains the last available backup of every year for the specified number of years.

The screenshot shows the '6. Retention' step of the wizard. At the top, there are seven tabs: 1. Source, 2. Destination, 3. Networks, 4. Re-IP, 5. Schedule, 6. Retention (active), and 7. Options. The main area contains five radio button options for retention policies, each with a numeric input field and a unit label. The first option, 'Keep 10 last recovery points', is selected. Below these options is a 'Learn more' link. At the bottom right, there are 'Next' and 'Cancel' buttons.

Retention Policy	Value	Unit
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Keep	10	last recovery points
<input type="checkbox"/> Keep one recovery point per day for	10	days
<input type="checkbox"/> Keep one recovery point per week for	4	weeks
<input type="checkbox"/> Keep one recovery point per month for	12	months
<input type="checkbox"/> Keep one recovery point per year for	3	years

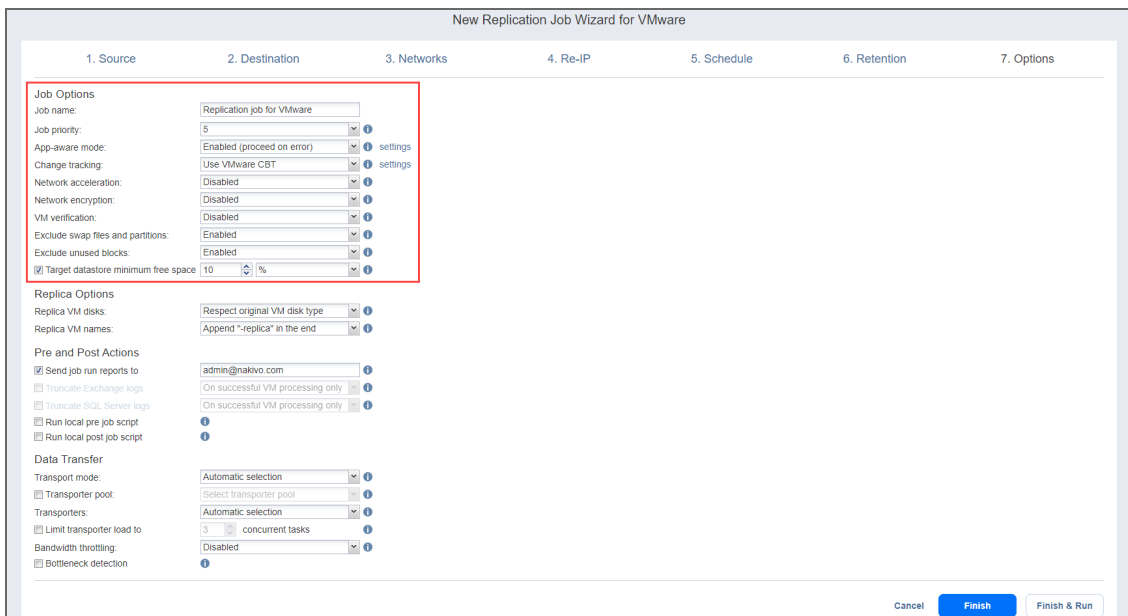
Replication Job Wizard for VMware: Options

On the **Options** page, set up replication job options as described in the sections below:

- [“Job Options” below](#)
 - [“Job Name” on the next page](#)
 - [“Job Priority” on the next page](#)
 - [“App-aware Mode” on the next page](#)
 - [“Change Tracking” on page 810](#)
 - [“Network Acceleration” on page 810](#)
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Job Options

In this section, you can specify a name and a priority level for your replication job, and enable/disable [app-aware mode](#), change tracking, [network acceleration](#), [encryption](#), [VM Verification](#), and [excluding swap files](#), partitions and [unused blocks](#).



Job Name

Specify a name for the replication job.

Job Priority

Select a job priority level between *1* and *5*, with *1* being the highest priority. Jobs with higher priority levels are prioritized by Transporters during job processing.

Note

This option is only available in the Enterprise, Enterprise Essentials, Enterprise Plus, MSP Enterprise, and MSP Enterprise Plus editions.

App-aware Mode

With the **App-aware mode** selected, VM replication is performed using VMware Guest OS quiescing (which in turn relies on Microsoft VSS) to ensure the consistency of application data. Select one of the options from the **Change tracking** drop-down list:

- **Enabled (proceed on error):** With this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication proceeds even if an application quiescing error is encountered.
- **Enabled (fail on error):** With this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically fails the job if an application quiescing error is encountered.
- **Disabled:** Selecting this option disables the app-aware mode.

Note

This option is not available for existing backups chosen as the target of replication on the **Source** wizard page.

Change Tracking

Select one of the options from the **Change tracking** drop-down list:

- **Utilize VMware CBT:** With this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication enables the Change tracking feature for source VMs. This feature quickly identifies which data blocks have changed since the last job run, significantly increasing job speed. Click **settings** to specify the following options:
 - **On error:**
 - **switch to proprietary method immediately/on the next retry/on the last retry:** If VMware CBT fails to provide data on changed blocks for a VM with this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication performs an incremental backup of the VM using the proprietary change tracking technology.
 - **reset CBT on the next retry/on the last retry:** If VMware CBT fails to provide data on changed blocks for a VM with this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication resets VMware CBT for the VM.
 - **fail VM processing immediately/on the next retry/on the last retry:** If VMware CBT fails to provide data on changed blocks for a VM with this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication does not process the VM and states job failure (other VMs in the job are processed).
 - **Double-check changed blocks provided by CBT:** With this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication runs a check on data blocks provided by VMware CBT to ensure that VMware CBT does not overstate the amount of changed data.
- **Use proprietary method:** With this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication performs incremental backups using the proprietary change tracking technology. This feature requires reading the contents of all VM disks to determine the data blocks that have changed since the last job run.
- **No change tracking (always full):** With this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication always performs a full VM backup of all source VMs.

Note

This option is not available for existing backups chosen as the target of replication on the **Source** wizard page.

Network Acceleration

With Network acceleration enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication uses compression and traffic reduction techniques to speed up data transfer. Select this option if you plan to replicate over WAN or slow LAN links.

Network Encryption

If Network Encryption is enabled VM data is protected with AES 256 encryption while traveling over the network. Data encryption increases the replication time and CPU load on machines running Transporters. Select this option when replicating over WAN without a VPN connection.

Note

You need at least one Transporter at source and target sites to enable encryption.

VM Verification

VM Verification allows you to check the integrity of the backup by starting it and interacting with it. For more details, refer to the [“VM Verification” on page 57](#) article.

You can choose one of the following **VM Verification** options:

- **Disabled:** VM Verification is disabled.
- **Screenshot verification:** When enabled, the VM replica created by the job is verified: NAKIVO Backup & Replication powers on this replica with networking turned off, takes a screenshot of the OS, then powers off the VM replica. The VM screenshot will be included in email notifications (if they're configured. See [“Notifications & Reports” on page 377.](#)) and displayed on the **Dashboard**.
- **Boot verification:** When enabled, the VM replica created by the job is verified: After VM replication is completed, NAKIVO Backup & Replication recovers the VM using Flash boot, disables networking to prevent network connections, and verifies that system start is successful.

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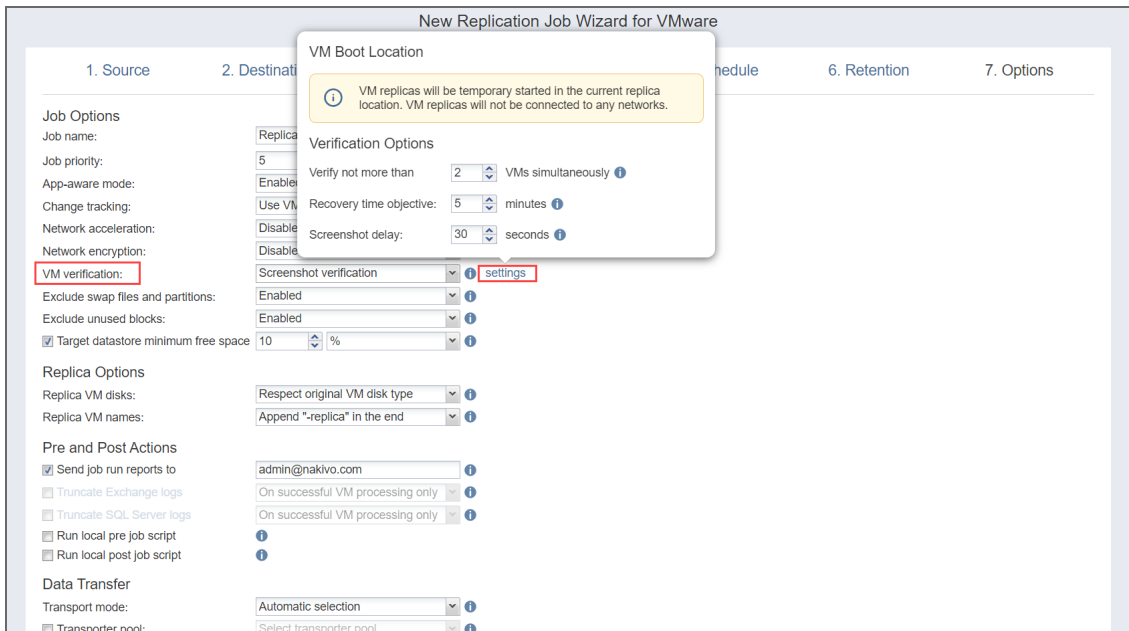
VM verification requires VMware Tools to be installed on all VMs.

After selecting the **Screenshot verification** option, do the following in the dialog box that opens:

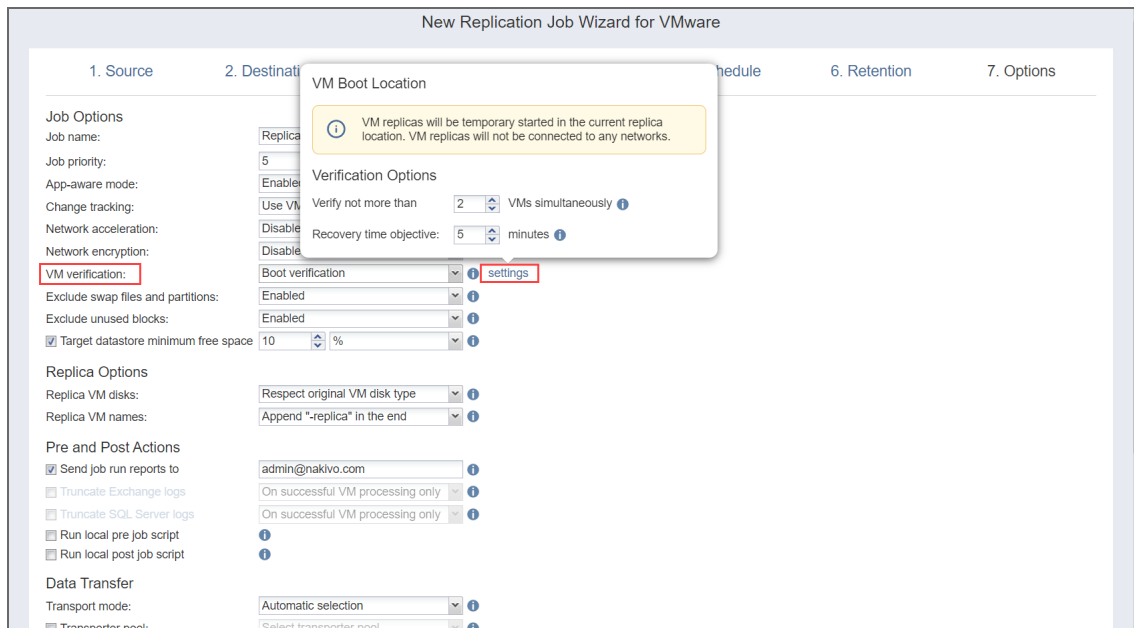
- **Verify not more than x VMs simultaneously:** Specify the maximum number of VMs that can be started on the target container simultaneously.
- **Recovery time objective x minutes:** Specify the amount of time allocated for verification of each VM backup. If a VM OS does not start within the specified amount of time, verification will be considered failed.
- **Screenshot delay x seconds:** The amount of time that the product should wait after the Guest OS starts before taking a screenshot.

Note

The specified time must be sufficient to fully start the VM OS. Try increasing this amount if the default amount is not sufficient.



1. Provide a location of the VMs to be booted as described for the **Screenshot verification** option.
2. Set verification options:
 - **Verify not more than x VMs simultaneously:** Specify the maximum number of VMs that can be started on the Target Container simultaneously.
 - **Recovery time objective:** Specify the amount of time allocated for verification of each VM backup. If a VM OS does not start within the specified amount of time, verification will be considered failed.



Exclude Swap Files and Partitions

When this option is enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically excludes swap files and partitions during the backup process.

Note

This feature is not available for replication from backup jobs.

Exclude Unused Blocks

When this option is enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically excludes unused disk blocks and blocks occupied by deleted files during processing of source objects running Windows OS. This feature allows for reducing backup storage space and object processing time.

Note

This feature is not available for replication from backup jobs.

Target Datastore Free Space

With this option enabled, specify the minimum free space for the target datastore during incremental job run. In case the free space on the target datastore is below the set value, the job automatically fails.

Replica Options

In this section, you can choose a VM disk type and VM name. Proceed as described below.

The screenshot shows the 'New Replication Job Wizard for VMware' interface, specifically the 'Options' tab. The 'Replica Options' section is highlighted with a red box. The options are:

- Replica VM disks: Respect original VM disk type
- Replica VM names: Append "-replica" in the end

Other visible options include:

- Job name: Replication job for VMware
- Job priority: 5
- App-aware mode: Enabled (proceed on error)
- Change tracking: Use VMware CBT
- Network acceleration: Disabled
- Network encryption: Disabled
- VM verification: Disabled
- Exclude swap files and partitions: Enabled
- Exclude unused blocks: Enabled
- Target datastore minimum free space: 10 %
- Pre and Post Actions: Send job run reports to admin@naikvo.com
- Data Transfer: Transport mode: Automatic selection

Replica VM Disks

Choose one of the following options:

- **Respect original VM disk type:** With this option enabled, the created disk will be of the same type as that of the source VM.
- **Create only thin disks on target VMs:** With this option enabled, only thin disks are created on replicas, regardless of the disk types of the original source VM.

Replica VM Names

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to change VM Replica names to easily distinguish between the VM Replicas and the source VMs. By default, the text “-replica” is appended to the end of the VM Replica name.

To change VM Replica names:

In the *Replica Options* section, choose one of the following Replica VM names options:

- **Append “-replica” in the end:** Source VM names are used for replica names and “-replica” are added to the replica name.
- **Leave replica names as is:** Replica names will be identical to the source VM names.
- **Enter custom replica names:** Enter custom names for replicas.

Pre and Post Actions

In the *Pre and Post Actions* section, you can set up email notifications, Exchange and SQL Server [logs truncation](#), [pre and post job scripts](#).

The screenshot shows the 'New Replication Job Wizard for VMware' interface, specifically the 'Options' step. The 'Pre and Post Actions' section is highlighted with a red box. It includes the following options:

- Send job run reports to: admin@nakivo.com
- Truncate Exchange logs: On successful VM processing only
- Truncate SQL Server logs: On successful VM processing only
- Run local pre job script
- Run local post job script

Other sections visible in the wizard include:

- Job Options:** Job name (Replication job for VMware), Job priority (5), App-aware mode (Enabled), Change tracking (Use VMware CBT), Network acceleration (Disabled), Network encryption (Disabled), VM verification (Disabled), Exclude swap files and partitions (Enabled), Exclude unused blocks (Enabled), Target datastore minimum free space (10%).
- Replica Options:** Respect original VM disk type (checked), Replica VM names (Append "-replica" in the end).
- Data Transfer:** Transport mode (Automatic selection), Transporter pool (Select transporter pool), Transporters (Automatic selection), Limit transporter load to (3 concurrent tasks), Bandwidth throttling (Disabled), Bottleneck detection (checked).

Email Notifications

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can send email notifications about the job completion status to specified recipients. This feature complements global notifications and allows you to configure notifications on a per-job level.

Note

To enable this option, make sure your [Email settings](#) are configured.

To send email notifications, do the following:

In the *Pre and Post Actions* section:

1. Select **Send job run reports to**.
2. Specify one or more email addresses in the text field. Use semicolons to separate multiple email addresses.

Microsoft Exchange Server Logs Truncation

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to delete (aka truncate) Microsoft Exchange Server logs on the source VMs after job completion.

To set up Microsoft Exchange log truncation, do the following:

1. In the **Pre and Post Actions** section, select the **Truncate Exchange logs** option.
2. In the **Exchange Log Truncation** dialog box that opens, select the checkboxes next to the VMs running Microsoft Exchange and then select the credentials next to each VM. These credentials are used to log into the VMs that you have selected.

Note

This option is not available for existing backups chosen as the target of replication on the **Source** wizard page.

Microsoft SQL Server Logs Truncation

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to delete (aka truncate) Microsoft SQL Server logs on the source VMs after job completion.

To set up Microsoft SQL log truncation, do the following:

1. In the **Pre and Post Actions** section, select the **Truncate SQL Server logs** option.
2. In the **SQL Server Log Truncation** dialog box that opens, select the checkboxes next to the VMs running Microsoft SQL Server and then select the credentials next to each VM. These credentials are used to log into the VMs that you have selected.

Note

This option is not available for existing backups chosen as the target of replication on the **Source** wizard page.

Pre Job Script

To run a script before the product begins replicating VMs:

1. Place a script file on the machine where the Director is installed.
2. In the *Pre and Post Actions* section, select the **Run local pre job script** option.
 - **Script path:** Specify a local path to the script on the machine where the **Director** is installed. Script interpreter should be specified.
 - **Example (Windows):** `cmd.exe /c D:\script.bat`
Example (Linux): `bash /root/script.sh`
 - **Job behavior:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script completion:
 - **Do not wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, the product runs the script and starts replicating VMs at the same time.
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, VM replication is started only after the script is completed.
 - **Error handling:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script failure:
 - **Fail the job on script failure:** With this option selected, the job is failed and VM replication is not performed if the script has failed.
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** With this option selected, the job performs VM replication even if the script has failed.
3. Specify the following parameters in the dialog box that opens:

Post Job Script

To run a script after the product has finished backing up all VMs:

1. Place a script file on the machine where the **Director** is installed.
2. In the *Pre and Post Actions* section, select the **Run local post job script** option.
3. Specify the following parameters in the dialog box that opens:
 - **Script path:** Specify a local path to the script on the machine where the **Director** is installed. Script interpreter should be specified.

Example (Windows): `cmd.exe /c D:\script.bat`

Example (Linux): `bash /root/script.sh`

- **Job behavior:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script completion:
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, the job is in the “running” state until the script is completed.
 - **Do not wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, the job is completed even if the script execution is still in progress.
- **Error handling:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script failure:

- **Continue the job on script failure:** With this option selected, script failure does not influence the status of the job.
- **Fail the job on script failure:** With this option selected and the script has failed, the job status will be set to “failed” even if VM replication has been successful.

Data Transfer

In the *Data Transfer* section, you can choose a transport mode and a **Transporter** to be used for reading data from source VMs, and configure [bandwidth throttling](#). Proceed as described below.

The screenshot shows the 'New Replication Job Wizard for VMware' with the 'Options' tab selected. The 'Data Transfer' section is highlighted with a red box. The settings in this section are:

- Transport mode: Automatic selection
- Transporter pool: Select transporter pool
- Transporters: Automatic selection
- Limit transporter load to: 3 concurrent tasks
- Bandwidth throttling: Disabled
- Bottleneck detection:

Transport Mode

To select a transport mode, in the *Data Transfer* section, choose a transport mode for retrieving VM data:

- **Automatic selection:** With this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically selects the best transport mode available:
 - If the source **Transporter** is installed on a VM, NAKIVO Backup & Replication tries to use transport modes in the following order: Hot Add > SAN > LAN.
 - If the source **Transporter** is installed on a physical machine, NAKIVO Backup & Replication tries to use transport modes in the following order: SAN > Hot Add > LAN.
- **SAN only:** With this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication only uses [direct SAN access](#) to retrieve VM data. If direct SAN access to VM data is not available, the job will fail.
- **Hot Add only:** With this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication only uses [Hot Add](#) to retrieve VM data. If direct Hot Add is not available, the job will fail.
- **LAN only:** With this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication only retrieves VM data via LAN.

Note

This option is not available for existing backups chosen as the target of replication on the **Source** wizard page.

Transporter Pool

If this option is enabled, only the transporters that belong to the selected transporter pool shall be used during the job run.

Transporters

By default, the product automatically determines the **Transporter** to be used to read data from the source VM. However, you can manually specify the **Transporters** to be used for the job by choosing one of the following **Transporters** options in the **Data Transfer** section:

- **Automatic selection:** The product automatically determines the **Transporters** that are the closest to source and target hosts.
- **Manual - configured for all VMs:** Select this option to manually specify a single source and a single target **Transporter** to be used for data transfer by the job.
- **Manual - configured per host:** Select this option to manually specify **Transporters** for all source and target hosts.

Transporter Load

You can limit the maximum number of transporter tasks used by the job. By default, it is set to 3 concurrent tasks.

To change the default number of tasks, do the following:

1. In the **Data Transfer** section, select the checkbox next to **Limit transporter load to**.
2. Specify the number of concurrent tasks in the corresponding field.

Bandwidth Throttling

To regulate the speed of data transfer over the network for your replication job:

1. For the **Bandwidth throttling** option, choose **Enabled**.

Note

If bandwidth throttling is disabled for the current job, global bandwidth rules may still apply to your job. Refer to [“Bandwidth Throttling” on page 355](#) for details.

2. Click the **settings** link that becomes available.
3. The **Job Bandwidth Rules** dialog box opens displaying the list of available rules. You have the following options:

- Create a new bandwidth rule for your replication job:
 - a. Click the **Create New Rule** button.
 - b. The **New Bandwidth Rule** dialog box opens. Refer to the [“Bandwidth Throttling” on page 355](#) topic for details on creating a bandwidth rule.
 - c. Click **Save**.
- Activate an existing bandwidth rule for your job: Select the checkbox to the left of the required bandwidth rule. To deactivate a bandwidth rule for your job, deselect the corresponding checkbox.
- Edit a bandwidth rule: Click the **Edit** link for a bandwidth rule and modify it in the **Edit Bandwidth Rule** dialog box that opens.
- Disable a bandwidth rule: Click the **Disable** link. The bandwidth rule will be disabled for all jobs.
- Remove a bandwidth rule: Click the **Remove** link and then click **Delete** to confirm your operation.

Bottleneck detection

When the **Bottleneck detection** option is enabled, additional information is collected and recorded in NAKIVO Backup & Replication logs in the course of data transfer for the purpose of bottleneck detection. Check this option to enable the **Bottleneck detection** capability of the **Transporters** engaged in the job.

Completing the New Replication Job Wizard for VMware

Click **Finish** or **Finish & Run** to complete job creation.

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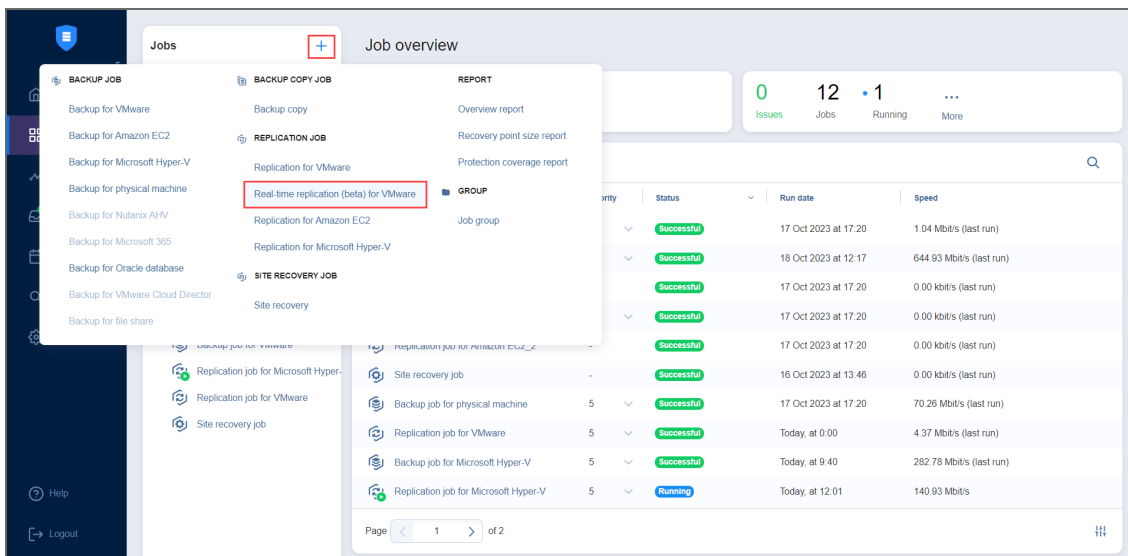
If you click **Finish & Run**, you will have to define the scope of your job. Please refer to [“Running Jobs on Demand” on page 317](#) for details.

Creating VMware Real-Time Replication (Beta) Jobs

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can create real-time replication (RTR) jobs for VMware. Unlike regular replication jobs, real-time replication jobs for VMware continuously copy data from the source host as it is being generated.

Before creating RTR jobs for VMware, make sure that you have installed the [I/O Filter](#) on the source host and the [Journal Service](#) on the target host. For more information on the prerequisites to creating RTR jobs for VMware, see the **Real-Time Replication (Beta) for VMware** section in [“Feature Requirements” on page 167](#).

To create a real-time replication job for VMware, click the plus **Create** button in the **Jobs** menu and then select **Real-time replication (beta) for VMware**.



Note

Only one RTR job for VMware of a single VM can be run at a time.

The **New Real-Time Replication Job Wizard for VMware** opens. Complete the wizard to create a real-time replication job for VMware VMs.

- [“Real-Time Replication \(Beta\) Job Wizard for VMware: Source”](#) on the next page
- [“Real-Time Replication \(Beta\) Job Wizard for VMware: Destination”](#) on page 824
- [“Real-Time Replication \(Beta\) Job Wizard for VMware: Networks”](#) on page 828
- [“Real-Time Replication \(Beta\) Job Wizard for VMware: Re-IP”](#) on page 830
- [“Real-Time Replication \(Beta\) Job Wizard for VMware: Retention”](#) on page 833
- [“Real-Time Replication \(Beta\) Job Wizard for VMware: Options”](#) on page 836

Real-Time Replication (Beta) Job Wizard for VMware: Source

On the **Source** page of the wizard, select one of the views to add VMware items to your real-time replication job for VMware.

Notes

- It is not possible to select VMs with no defined VM storage policy. For more information, see [“Installing I/O Filter” on page 504](#).
- It is not possible to select VMs from a cluster with an unsupported ESXi version.
- Templates are not supported.

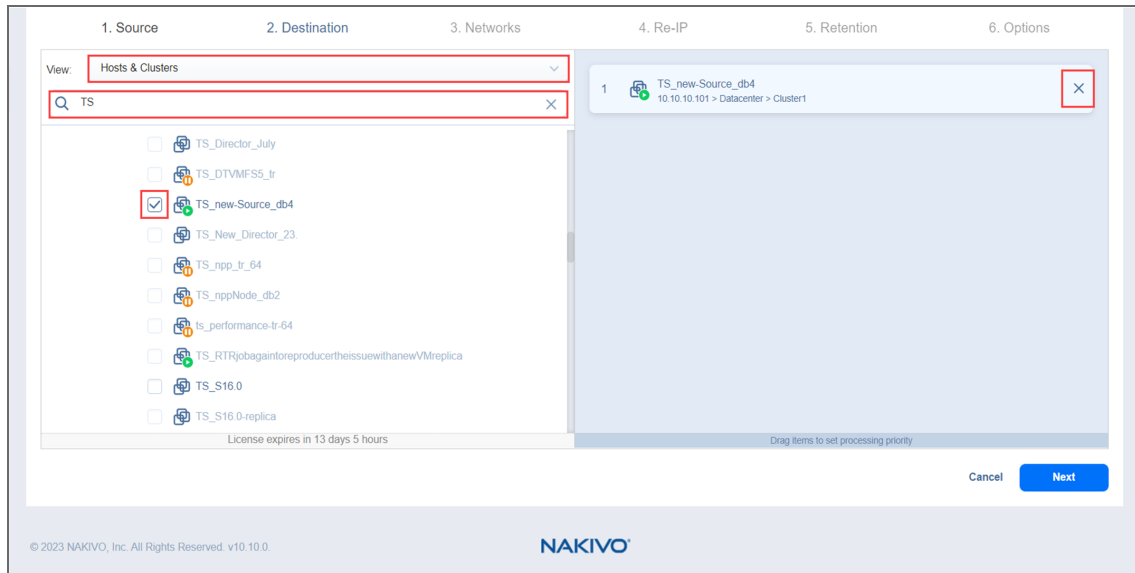
- [Host and Clusters](#)
- [VMs and Templates](#)
- [Policy](#)

Host and Clusters

When the **Host & Clusters** view is chosen, the inventory tree opens in the left pane and displays all VMware items: clusters, hosts, folders, resource pools, and VMs. Proceed as follows:

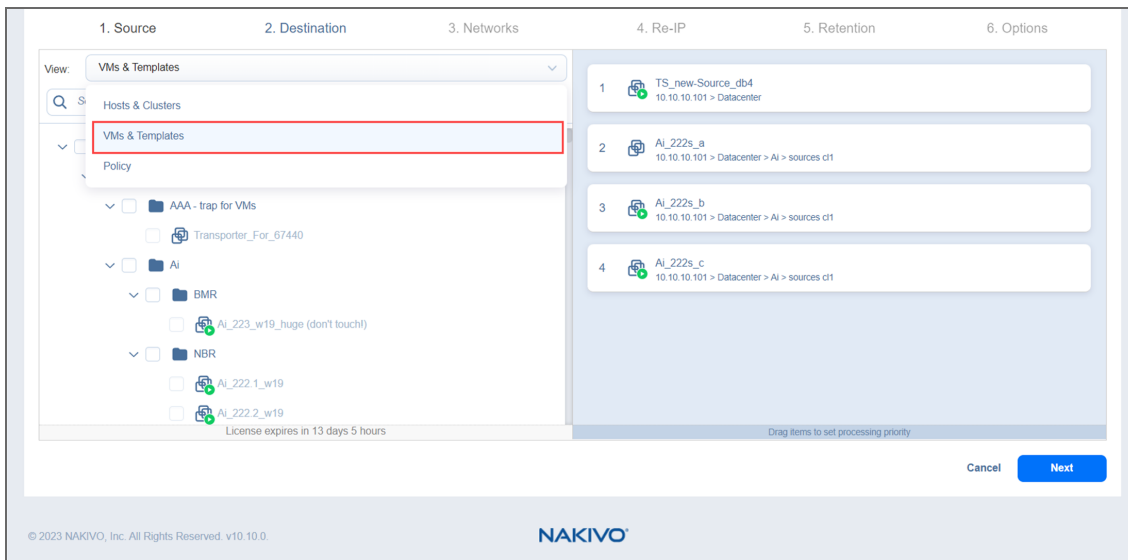
1. Optionally, you can filter the inventory tree by entering a string into the **Search** box. You can enter a part of or the entire name of the item.
2. Select VMware items by placing a checkmark to the left of each item.
3. The selected items appear in the right pane of the page. You can reorder the selected items by dragging a VM or a container with the pointer to a new position. By doing that, you can specify to replicate the most important VMs first.
4. Review the list of selected VMware items. You can remove a selected VM or a container from the replication job in one of the following ways:
 - Deselect the item in the left pane. This will remove the item from the right pane; OR
 - In the right pane, hover the pointer over the item you want to remove and click the “x” on the

right. This will deselect the item in the left pane.



VMs and Templates

When the **VMs & Templates** view is selected, the inventory tree displays VMware hosts, VMs, and VM templates. Proceed as described for the **Hosts & Clusters** view above.

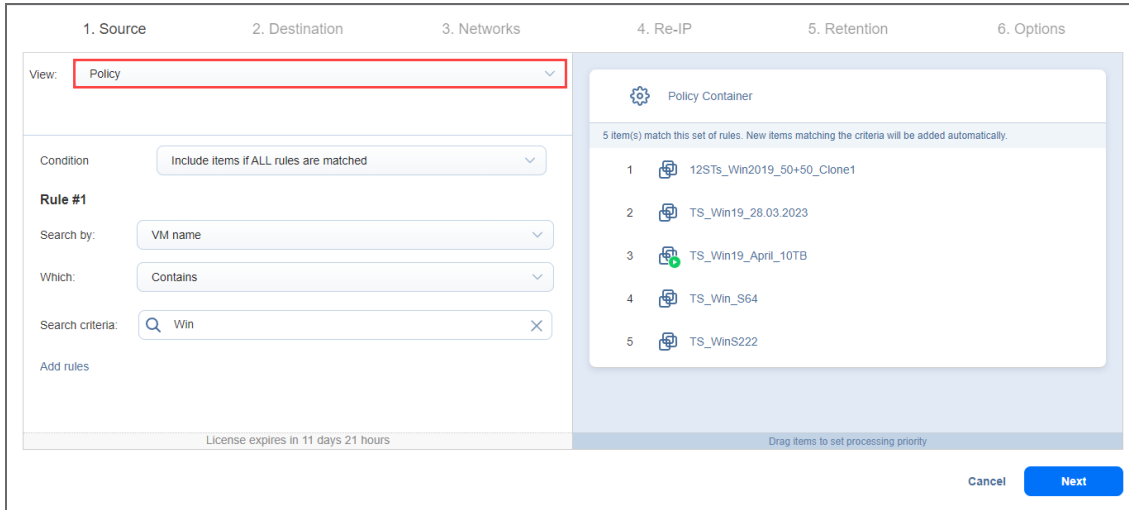


Note

For one real-time replication job for VMware, the Transporter's maximum capacity is limited to 11 source VMs in case there is one disk per VM or up to 50 disks per source VM. For more information, see [this article](#).

Policy

When the **Policy** view selected, job policies can be used. Refer to [“Managing Job Policies” on page 331](#) for details. If the items were selected in alternate views, a dialog box opens warning you that switching to the **Policy** view will reset your current selection. Click **Switch View** to confirm switching to the **Policy** view. Make sure that at least one item matches the available set of policy rules. Refer to [“Managing Policy Rules” on page 334](#) for details.



Click **Next** to confirm adding selected VMs to the replication job. The wizard will display the next page.

Notes

- If you cannot find a VM or a container:
 - Make sure the corresponding vCenter has been [added to the inventory](#).
 - [Refresh the Inventory](#).
- By adding a VMware container to the job, you ensure that important VMs are always protected. If you add a VMware container to the job:
 - All VMs with defined VM storage policy that are currently available in the selected container will be replicated.
 - All new VMs with defined VM storage policy that will be created in (or moved to) the container in the future will be automatically added to the job and replicated.
- The order in which VMs are replicated is important if the **Transporter** performing replication cannot process all VMs of the job simultaneously — either because the **Transporter** is processing other jobs at the same time or because the job contains more VM disks than a **Transporter**'s maximum load specified during the **Transporter** creation.
- If all disks of a VM are unsupported (such as RDM disks in physical compatibility mode), this VM will be disabled in the inventory tree and it will not be possible to select it. Refer to [“Supported Platforms” on page 135](#) for details.
- VMs marked as primary are protected by [VMware Fault Tolerance](#). Disabled VMs are Fault Tolerance shadow VMs.

Real-Time Replication (Beta) Job Wizard for VMware: Destination

On the **Destination** page, select a location for your replica(s).

Note

The target host/cluster must have a Transporter appliance and **Journal Service** installed. For more information, see [“Deploying Transporter as VMware Appliance” on page 495](#) and [“Installing the Journal Service” on page 514](#).

- [“Setting the Same Host, Datastore, and Network for All Replicas” on the next page](#)
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- [“Setting Different Options for Replicas” on page 826](#)
- [“Mapping Source VMs to Existing Replicas” on page 826](#)
- [“Excluding a VM Disk from the Replication Job” on page 827](#)

Setting the Same Host, Datastore, and Network for All Replicas

To replicate all VMs to the same container and datastore, and to connect all replicas to the same network, follow the steps below:

1. Choose a cluster, host, or resource pool from the **Container** drop-down list.
2. Choose a datastore from the **Datastore** drop-down list.
3. Optionally, you can choose a target VM folder from the **VM folder** drop-down list.

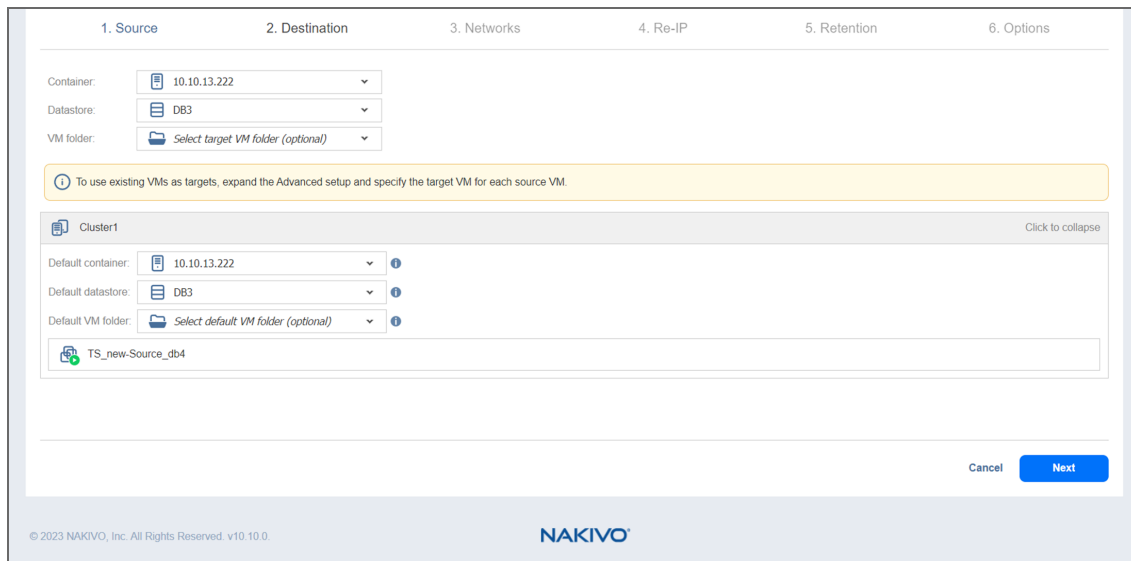
The screenshot shows the '1. Source' step of a replication wizard. At the top, there are six tabs: '1. Source', '2. Destination', '3. Networks', '4. Re-IP', '5. Retention', and '6. Options'. The '1. Source' tab is active. Below the tabs, there are three dropdown menus: 'Container:' with the value '10.10.13.222', 'Datastore:' with the value 'DB3', and 'VM folder:' with the value 'Select target VM folder (optional)'. Below these menus is a yellow warning box with a circular icon containing an 'i' and the text: 'To use existing VMs as targets, expand the Advanced setup and specify the target VM for each source VM.' Below the warning box is a link that says 'Advanced setup...'. At the bottom right of the form area, there are two buttons: 'Cancel' and 'Next'. At the bottom of the entire window, there is a footer with the text '© 2023 NAKIVO, Inc. All Rights Reserved. v10.10.0' on the left and the 'NAKIVO' logo on the right.

Setting the Default Destination for Replicas

If you have chosen a host, cluster, folder, or a resource pool as a source for your replication job on the **Source** wizard page, you can set the default container, datastore, and VM folder for replicas. To do this, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Advanced setup** and then click on the name of the chosen host, cluster, folder, or a resource pool.
2. Choose a **Default container**.

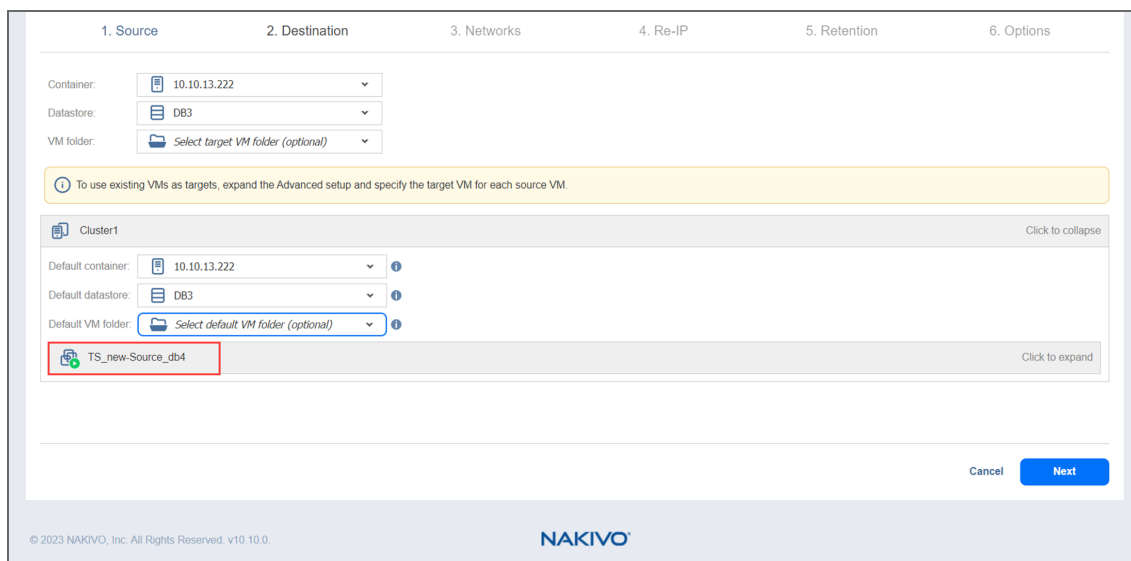
3. Optionally, you can also choose a **Default VM folder**.



Setting Different Options for Replicas

To specify different replication options for VMs, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Advanced setup**.
2. Choose a target container, target VM, and target datastore for each VM.

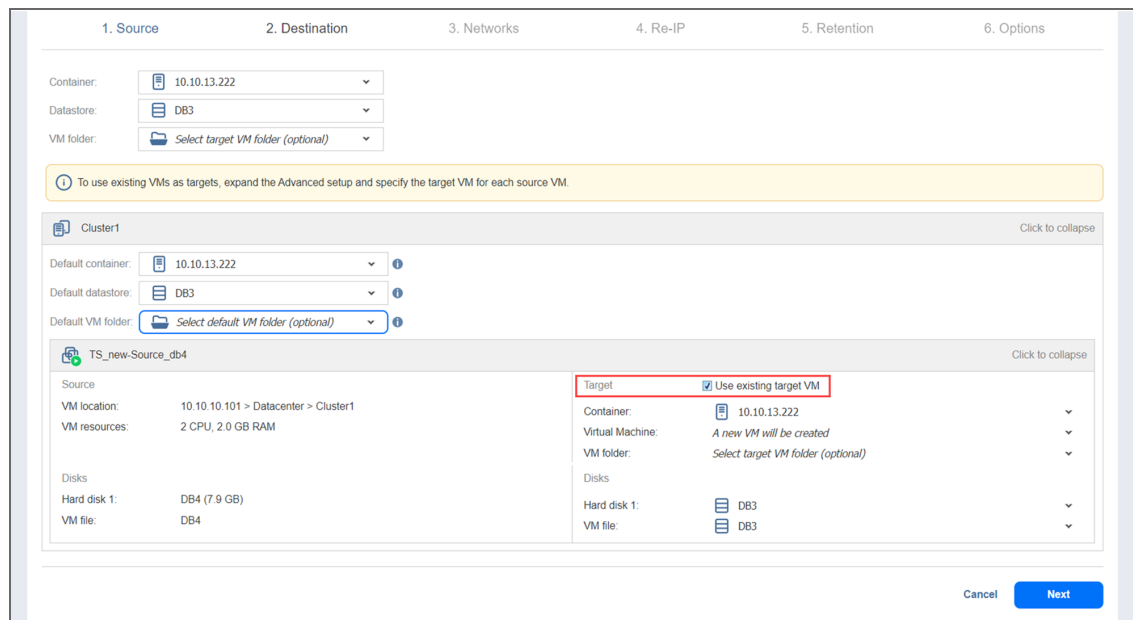


Mapping Source VMs to Existing Replicas

If you want to perform [staged replication](#) or if you lose the replication job (due to accidental job deletion or because you need to recreate jobs in a new copy of the product), you can map source VMs to existing replicas to avoid running full VM replication again.

To map source VMs to existing VMs, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Advanced setup**.
2. Open the target VM drop-down list and select the **Use existing target VM** option.
3. Select the VM that should be used as a target for replication in the **Virtual Machine** drop-down list.



When you run the job, the product analyzes the target VM you have selected, determines how it is different from the source VM, and transfers only the differential data.

VM replication mapping can be a time-consuming process that can be equal to the time required to create a full VM replication.

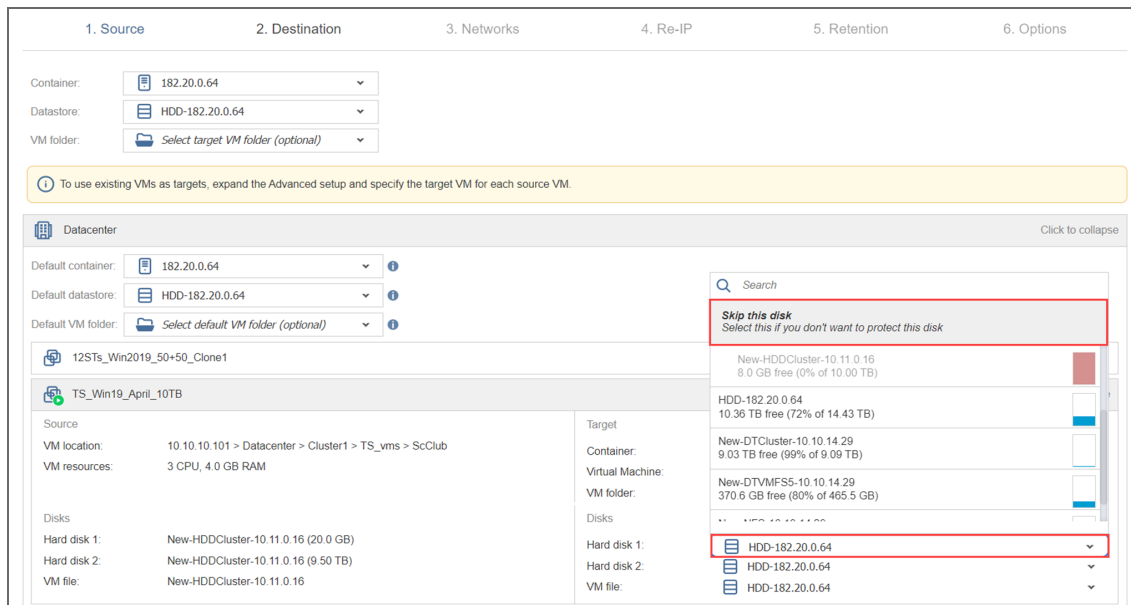
Excluding a VM Disk from the Replication Job

If you do not want to replicate some disks of a VM, you can exclude those disks from the replication job.

Follow the steps below:

1. Click **Advanced setup**.
2. Open the target VM drop-down list.
3. Click the drop-down list next to the disk that you want to skip and select the **Skip this disk** option.

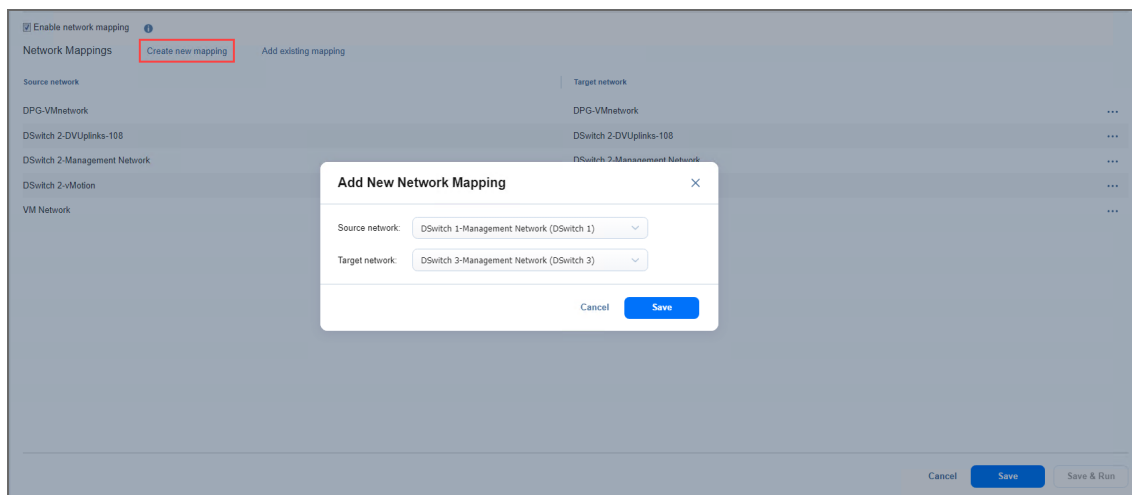
4. After you have specified replica location options, click **Next** to go to the next page.



Real-Time Replication (Beta) Job Wizard for VMware: Networks

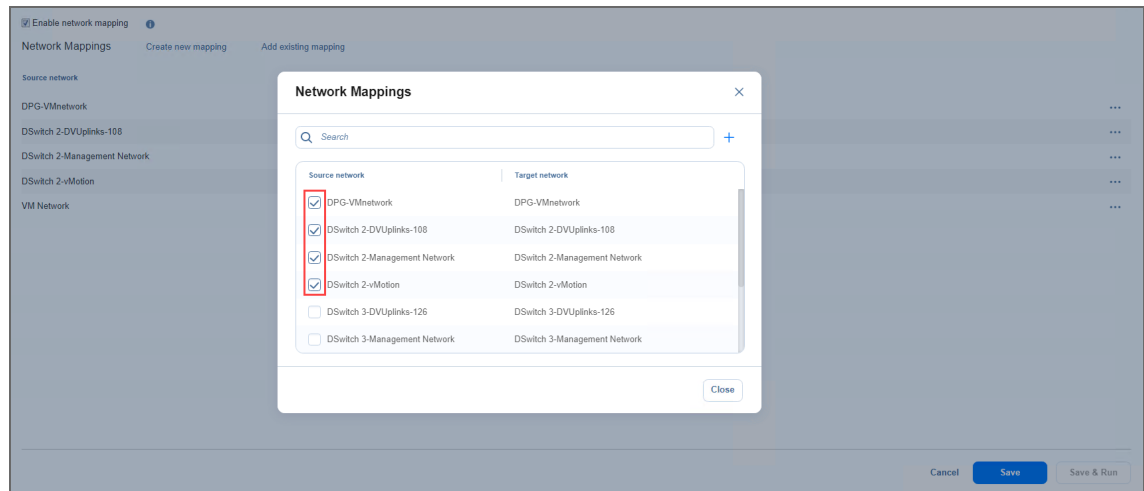
To map source VM virtual networks to appropriate target virtual networks, do the following on the **Networks** page in the wizard:

1. Select **Enable network mapping**.
2. The **Network Mappings** section opens. You have the following options:
 - Create a new mapping:
 - a. Click **Create new mapping**.
 - b. The **Add New Network Mapping** dialog box opens. Choose a source network and a target network and click **Save**.

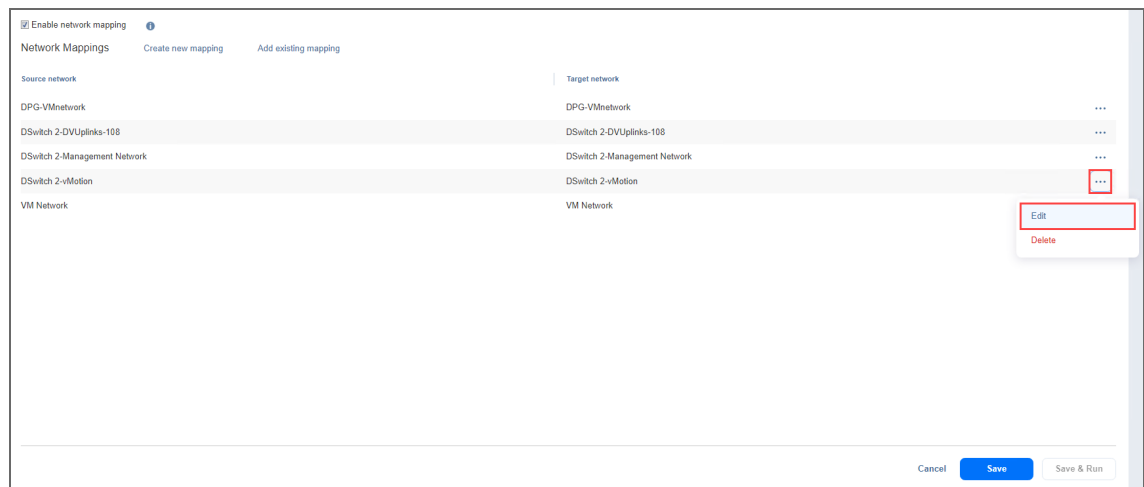


- Add an existing mapping:

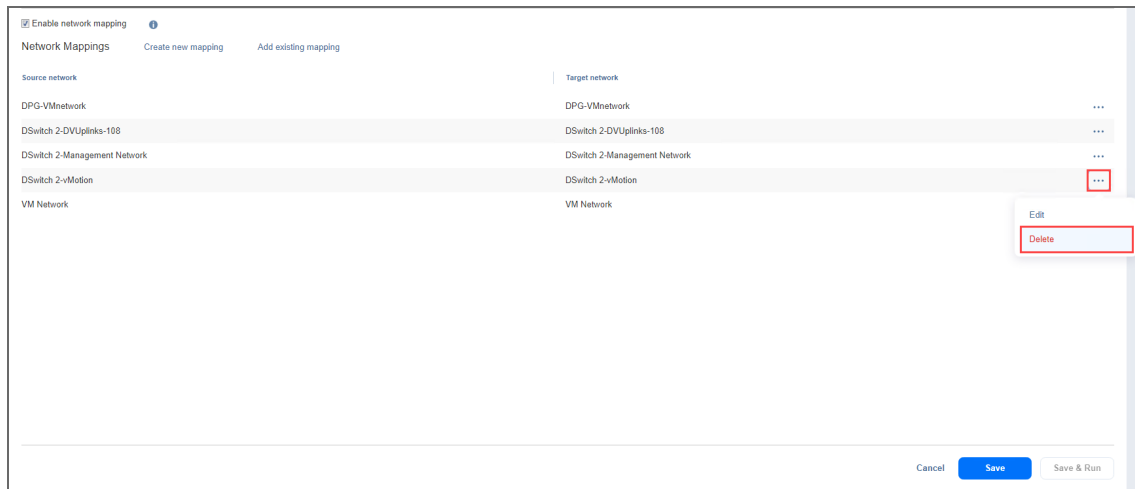
- a. Click **Add existing mapping**.
- b. The **Network Mappings** dialog box opens. Choose one or more appropriate network mappings and close the dialog box.



- Edit an existing mapping:
 1. Hover the pointer over the required item in the **Network Mappings** list and click the ellipsis **Manage** button to the right of the item. Then, click **Edit**.
 2. The **Edit Network Mapping** dialog box opens. Choose the required item from the **Target network** drop-down list and click **Save**.



- Delete an existing mapping: Hover the pointer over the required item in the **Network Mappings** list and click the ellipsis **Manage** button to the right of the item. Then, click **Delete**.



3. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Real-Time Replication (Beta) Job Wizard for VMware: Re-IP

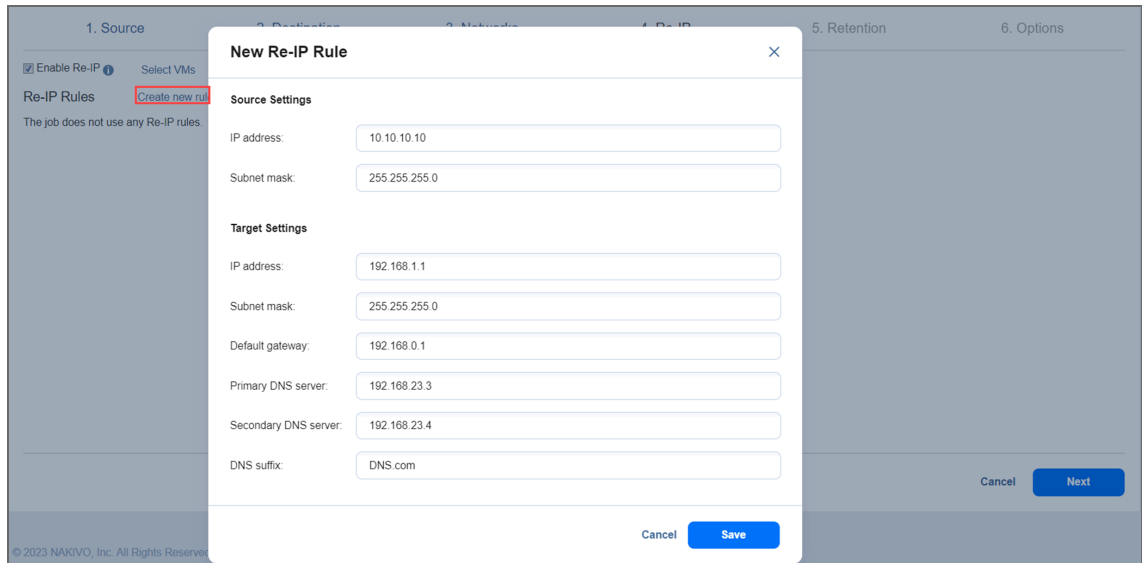
Note

Re-IP rules will be applied only to VMs that have a static IPv4 address configured.

To enable Re-IP rules for your replication job, do the following on the **Re-IP** page of the wizard:

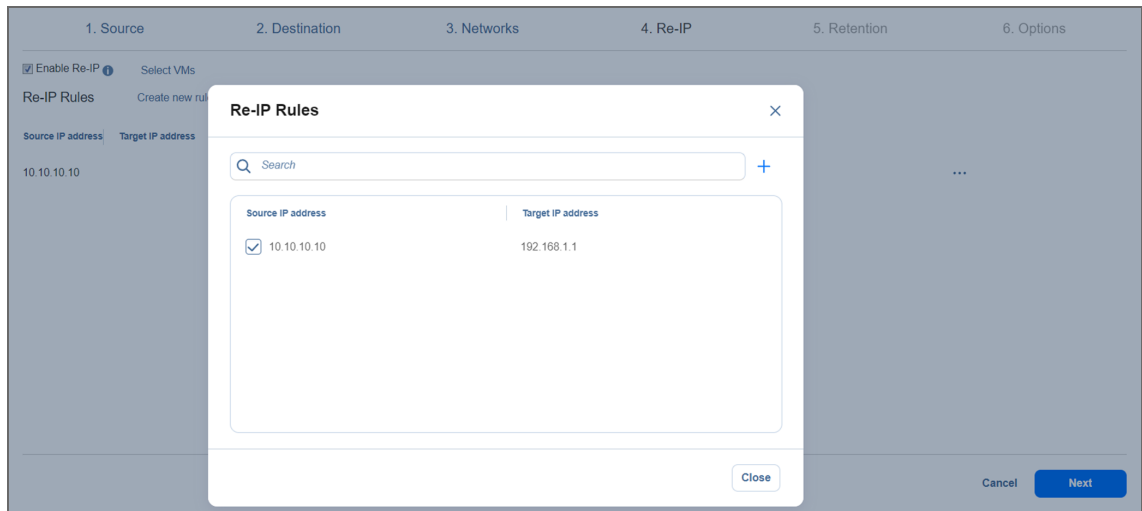
1. Select **Enable Re-IP**.
2. Click the **Select VMs** link.
3. The **Re-IP** dialog box opens. In the list of your source VMs, select at least one, and close the dialog box.
4. You have the following options:
 - Create a new rule:
 - a. Click **Create new rule**.
 - b. The **New Re-IP Rule** dialog box opens. Enter source and target settings for the Re-IP rule

and click **Save**.



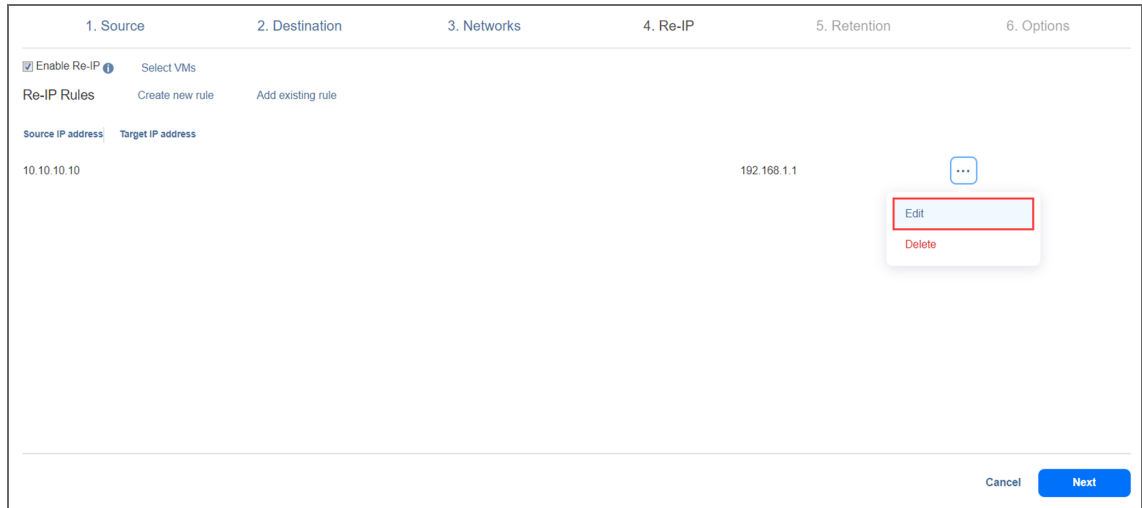
Note
You can use wildcards for IP addresses. Refer to the [“Real-Time Replication Failover \(Beta\) Job Wizard for VMware: Re-IP”](#) on page 989 topic for details.

- Add an existing rule:
 - a. Click **Add existing rule**.
 - b. The **Re-IP Rules** dialog box opens. Select one or more appropriate Re-IP rules and close the dialog box.

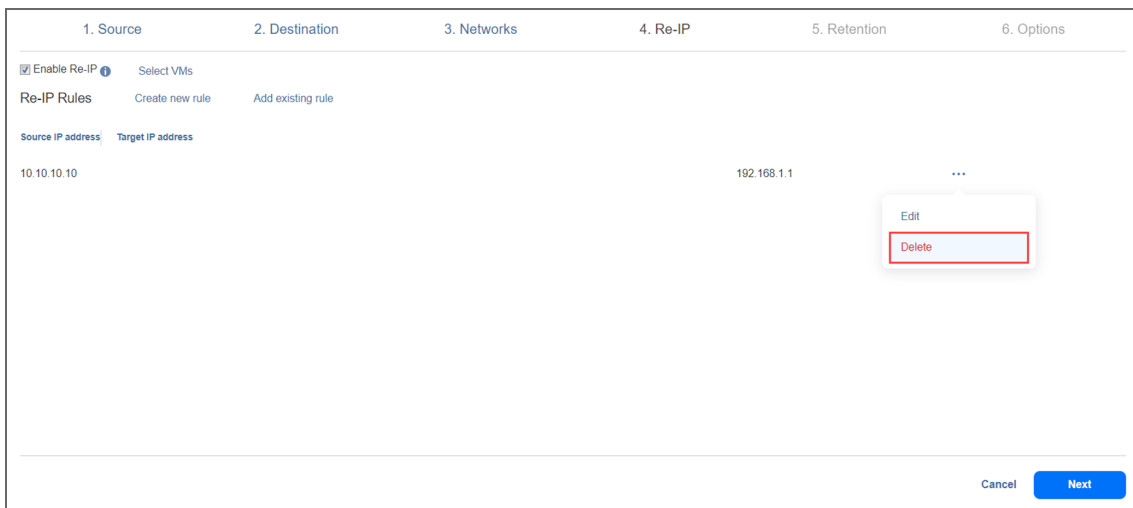


- Edit an existing Re-IP rule:
 - a. Hover the pointer over the required item in the **Re-IP Rules** list and click the ellipsis **Manage** button to the right of the item. Then, click **Edit**.

- b. The **Edit Re-IP Rule** dialog box opens. Edit the required properties of the Re-IP rule and click **Save**.



- Delete an existing mapping: Hover the pointer over the required item in the **Re-IP Rules** list and click the **Delete** icon to the right of the item.



- To leave the list of existing Re-IP rules intact, go to the next page of the wizard.
- Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Notes

- Re-IP Rules enabled for replication jobs are only stubs for failover jobs. They do not work at the replication stage.
- Re-IP rules that are enabled for your replication job can be used for creating the corresponding failover jobs. Refer to [“Real-Time Replication Failover \(Beta\) Job Wizard for VMware: Re-IP”](#) on page 989 for details.

Real-Time Replication (Beta) Job Wizard for VMware: Retention

To allow replica rollback to a point in time your product keeps an **I/O Journal** of all I/O activities. This can be defined on the **Retention** page of the wizard by configuring the Recovery Point Objective (**RPO**) and **I/O Journal** settings as described in the sections below:

- [RPO](#)
- [I/O Journal](#)

RPO

In the **RPO** section, configure the following parameters:

- **Recovery point objective:** Set the target amount of time between recovery points creation (between 1 second and 60 minutes) for the creation of subsequent recovery points.

Notes

The **RPO** elements are:

- **Now** - the current time. Current **RPO** is calculated on the target side (**Journal Service**) as time between the last source data capture and the previous source data capture
- **Last received time** - the time when the last heartbeat was received by the **Journal Service**.
- **Last captured data time** - the time when the last portion of source VM data was captured by the **I/O Filter Daemon** (a single instance of the **I/O Filter** software which is running on a specific ESXi host of the cluster).
- **Last recovery point time** - the time when the last recovery point was created in the **I/O Journal**.

- **Fail VM replication if RPO exceeds:** Optionally, select this option to fail and retry real-time replication job for VMware if the **RPO** exceeds a specified period of time. The set time cannot be lower than the selected Recovery point objective and cannot exceed 60 minutes.

1. Source 2. Destination 3. Networks 4. Re-IP 5. Retention 6. Options

RPO

Recovery point objective: 1 Minutes

Fail VM replication if RPO exceeds: 5 Minutes

I/O Journal

Journal history limit: 1 Days

Journal size limit: 50 GB

Cancel **Save** Save & Run

Failed VMs and VMs with missed **RPO** will appear in red on top of the list.

Important

Make sure the time on the source ESXi host(s) and the target Transporter VA is synchronized.

Otherwise, the **RPO** value and/or recovery point date-time data may be incorrect. Also, the **Real-Time Replication Failover Job Wizard for VMware** process may yield the incorrect recovery points.

If the job is not running (is created/stopped), the "No data" message will be displayed.

If the job is running:

- During initial and incremental replication, the "No data" message will be displayed.

Notes

- **Initial replication** - snapshot based full regular replication.
- **Incremental replication** - snapshot based incremental regular replication.

- During real-time replication process and when the **RPO** data is available, the current **RPO** will be displayed.

Note

Current **RPO** is calculated as time between the last source data capture and the previous source data capture.

Notes

The **RPO** data will be displayed as:

- If time span \leq 1 minute: "Xs".
- If time span \leq 1 hour and $>$ 1 minute: "Xm Ys".
- If time span \leq 1 day and $>$ 1 hour: "Xh Ym Zs".

I/O Journal

I/O Journal is a per disk set of records of I/O operations that keeps recovery points of a replica VM and can be used for failover to a point in time.

For every real-time replication run, a new **Journal Extent** is created in the **I/O Journal**. Each **Journal Extent** contains one or more **Frames** (internal logical parts of the **Journal Extent** containing up to 256 MB of data). Configuration changes made to the source VM (if any) are checked every 15 minutes, and saved to the replica configuration journal. If no data changes on the Source VM are detected, the source **I/O Filter Daemon** will keep sending heartbeat messages to the target **Journal Service**.

Notes

If the connection from the source **I/O Filter** to the **Journal Service** (target) is lost:

- **I/O Filter** keeps capturing the data on the source and caching/storing it locally.
- **I/O Filter** keeps trying to re-connect to the **Journal Service** (target).
- After the connection is restored, the data is sent to the **Journal Service** (target).

In the **I/O Journal** section, configure the following parameters:

- **Journal history limit:** Optionally, select this option to set a limit for journal history, which is between 1 hour and 30 days.
- **Journal size limit:** Set a limit for the journal size per disk between 1 GB and 20 TB.

The screenshot displays a configuration window with six tabs: 1. Source, 2. Destination, 3. Networks, 4. Re-IP, 5. Retention, and 6. Options. The 'RPO' section includes a 'Recovery point objective' field set to '1' with a 'Minutes' dropdown, and a checkbox 'Fail VM replication if RPO exceeds' with a value of '5' and a 'Minutes' dropdown. The 'I/O Journal' section, highlighted with a red box, includes a 'Journal history limit' field set to '1' with a 'Days' dropdown, and a 'Journal size limit' field set to '50' with a 'GB' dropdown. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel', 'Save', and 'Save & Run' buttons.

Note

The journal size will be limited to the set value per VM. If the existing journal size is smaller than the limit specified in the job, it can be extended. Changing the existing journal to a smaller size is not applicable.

When the journal history limit is reached or when the **I/O Journal** has under 512 MB of free space, the following occurs:

- If the replica **I/O Journal** contains multiple **Journal Extents**, the oldest **Journal Extent** is removed.
- If the replica **I/O Journal** contains only one **Journal Extent**, its oldest **Frame** is applied to the replica. Afterwards, the oldest frame is overwritten by a new **Frame**.
- If the replica **I/O Journal** contains only one **Journal Extent** with only one **Frame**, the **Frame** is not applied to the replica.

Note

For example, if the size of the single **Journal Extent Frame** (256 GB) is not reached within 1 hour (the specified journal history limit), the data allocated within this **Frame** will not be merged and the recovery points of a replica VM that were created according to the **RPO** setting will not be deleted.

In this case, the data merge process to the replica will continue until the **I/O Journal** frame size (256 GB) is reached during the subsequent time frame.

In case the size of the single **Journal Extent Frame** (256 GB) is reached within the next time frame, a new **Frame** will be generated and the recovery points created before the second **Frame** generation will be deleted.

For more information on the above terminology, see [“Installing the Journal Service” on page 514](#).

Real-Time Replication (Beta) Job Wizard for VMware: Options

On the **Options** page of the wizard, configure job, replica, and data transfer settings as described in the sections below:

- [Job Options](#)
- [Replica Options](#)
- [Data Transfer](#)

Job Options

In the **Job Options** section, configure the following:

- **Job name:** Set a name for the real-time replication job.
- **Limit data storage on source host per VM:** Optionally, select this option to limit the data stored on the source host before transferring to the target host to the set size per VM. If the size limit is exceeded for a VM, replication for that VM fails.
- **Exclude unused blocks:** Select this option to automatically exclude unused disk blocks and blocks occupied by deleted files during processing of source objects running Windows OS. This allows you to reduce backup storage space and object processing time.

The screenshot displays the configuration interface for a replication job, specifically the 'Options' tab. The 'Job Options' section is highlighted with a red box and includes the following settings:

- Job name:** Realtime VM Replication for VMware
- Limit data storage on source host per VM:** Checked, set to 10 GB
- Exclude unused blocks:** Enabled

Below the highlighted section, the 'Replica Options' section is visible, with 'Respect original VM disk type' selected. The 'Data Transfer' section shows 'Automatic selection' for transport mode. The 'Source hosts' section lists 'Cluster1' and '10.10.13.222' with their respective primary and replacement transporters. The 'Target hosts' section also lists '10.10.13.222' with its transporters.

Replica Options

In the *Replica Options* section (available for VMware, Hyper-V replication jobs only), configure the following:

- **Replica VM disks:** Choose one of the following options from the drop-down menu:
 - **Respect original VM disk type:** With this option enabled, the created disk will be of the same type as that of the source VM.
 - **Create only thin disks on target VMs (VMware vSphere):** With this option enabled, only thin disks will be created on target VMs. Use this option to save space on target datastore.
 - **Create dynamic size disks on target VMs (Microsoft Hyper-V):** With this option enabled, only dynamic size disks will be created on target VMs. Use this option to save space on target storage.

Note

The **Replica VM disks** menu is disabled if target objects already exist for all source objects of the replication job and the user will receive the "Disk type cannot be changed for the existing replica." message.

- **Replica VM names:** Choose one of the following replica VM names options:

- **Append “-replica” in the end:** Source VM names are used for replica names and “-replica” is added to the replica name.
- **Leave replica names as is:** Replica names will be identical to the source VM names.
- **Enter custom replica names:** Enter custom names for replicas.

Data Transfer

In the *Data Transfer* section, configure the following:

- **Transport mode:** Choose one of the following transport modes for the real-time replication job:
 - **SAN only:** With this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication only uses direct SAN access to retrieve VM data. If [direct SAN access](#) to VM data is not available, the job will fail.
 - **Hot Add only:** With this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication only uses [Hot Add](#) to retrieve VM data. If direct Hot Add is not available, the job will fail.
 - **LAN only:** With this option selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication only retrieves VM data via LAN.
- **Transporter pool:** If selected, only the **Transporters** that belong to the chosen **Transporter** pool are used during the job run.
- **Transporters:** Manually select the **Transporters** to be used for the replication job by selecting **Manual-configured per host**. With this option, manually specify a **Transporter** to be used for each source and target host.

The screenshot shows the 'Options' tab of the NAKIVO Backup & Replication configuration. The 'Data Transfer' section is highlighted with a red box. It includes the following settings:

- Transport mode:** Automatic selection
- Transporter pool:** Select transporter pool
- Transporters:** Manual - configured per host
- Replacement transporters:** Use only primary transporters

Below these settings, there are sections for 'Source hosts' and 'Target hosts'. Each host has a 'Primary transporter' and a 'Replacement transporter' dropdown menu. For the source host '10.10.13.222', the primary transporter is 'Onboard transporter' and the replacement transporter is 'Use only primary trans...'. For the target host '10.10.13.222', the primary transporter is 'TS_TR_DB3' and the replacement transporter is 'Use only primary trans...'. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel', 'Finish', and 'Finish & Run' buttons.

Replacement Transporters

When configuring NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can manually select a primary and replacement **Transporter** for each separate host or set them to be selected automatically.

Note

This option becomes available only if you select **Manual - configured per host** from the **Transporters** drop-down list.

You have the following options:

- **Select automatically:** When selected, the replacement **Transporters** are selected automatically for each host.
- **Use only primary transporters:** When selected, only primary **Transporters** are used during job execution.
- **Select manually per host:** When selected, the **Transporters** can be selected manually or can be set to be chosen automatically for each separate host.

Note

You may only select target **Transporters** that are deployed on the target host and have the **Journal Service** installed. For more information, see [“Deploying Transporter as VMware Appliance” on page 495](#) and [“Installing the Journal Service” on page 514](#).

Staging (Seeding) VM Replication

With VMs usually being large, the initial (full) VM replication can be slow and time-consuming, and can put an undesirable load on the network. Perform staged replication to speed up the initial VM replication and save network bandwidth. Staging requires the transfer of VMs to the target site using a removable medium (such as an external USB hard drive). You can then create a new replication job that will use the transferred VMs as a target and perform only incremental replication.

To stage VM replication, follow the steps below:

1. Put VMs that you want to replicate on a removable medium (such as an external USB hard drive) using backup, replication, or any other method.
2. Transfer the medium to the target location.
3. Add (recover) the VMs to the desired server and datastore.
4. Create a new replication job and map the source VMs to the transferred VMs.

Recovery

During outage events that threaten business continuity, NAKIVO Backup & Replications offers multiple recovery options allowing you to resume normal business operations swiftly.

This section covers the following recovery topics:

- [“Full Recovery” on page 898](#)
- [“Granular Recovery” on page 842](#)
- [“Planning Disaster Recovery” on page 954](#)

Granular Recovery

The granular recovery technology allows you to instantly recover specific files and objects from image-based backups. With this technology, you can easily recover corrupted or accidentally deleted files or objects without fully restoring a VM first. With NAKIVO Backup & Replication you can recover files for physical machines, VMware, Microsoft Hyper-V, AWS, and Nutanix virtual environments. You can also recover Microsoft Exchange emails, and Microsoft Active Directory and Microsoft SQL Server objects directly from compressed and deduplicated backups. In addition, multiple recovery jobs and/or users may access the same recovery point even if it is currently in use by an existing recovery job/session.

Before you start the recovery process, verify that:

- The target VM/instance/physical machine is powered on.
- The target VM/instance/physical machine has enough space. The required minimum of free space is equal to the size of the recovered object + 1 GB.
- The target VM/instance/physical machine is accessible over the network.

For more details, refer to the corresponding articles below:

- [“File Recovery” on page 843](#)
- [“Object Recovery for Microsoft Exchange” on page 858](#)
- [“Object Recovery for Microsoft Active Directory” on page 869](#)
- [“Importing Recovered Objects to Active Directory” on page 881](#)
- [“Object Recovery for Microsoft SQL Server” on page 882](#)
- [“Performing Universal Object Recovery” on page 891](#)

File Recovery

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can recover files or folders directly from compressed and deduplicated backups. Refer to [“Instant File Recovery to Source” on page 24](#) for more information.

Note

File recovery is restricted to [supported disk types and file systems](#).

Refer to the following topics to learn more:

- [“Opening File Recovery Wizard” on page 844](#)
- [“File Recovery Wizard: Backup” on page 846](#)
- [“File Recovery Wizard: Recovery Server” on page 847](#)
- [“File Recovery Wizard: Files” on page 851](#)
- [“File Recovery Wizard: Options” on page 854](#)

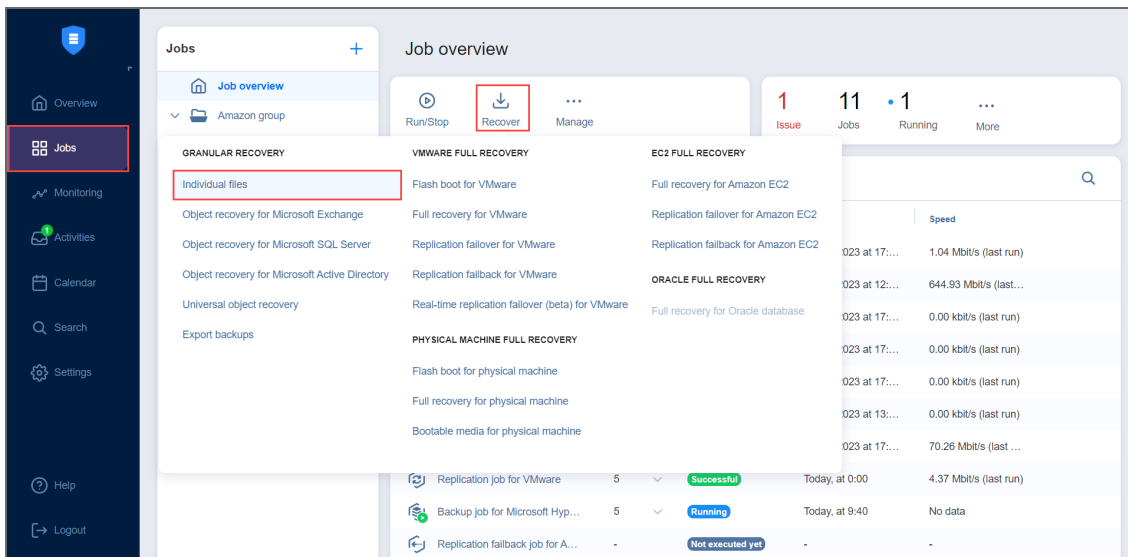
Opening File Recovery Wizard

You can start the recovery process either from the **Jobs** menu, by using the [Search](#) function, or from the **Repositories** tab in **Settings** (for example, if you no longer have a backup job, but still have the backup). Refer to the following sections for more details:

- [Starting File Recovery from Jobs Menu](#)
- [Starting File Recovery from Backup Repository](#)

Starting File Recovery from Jobs Menu

To start file recovery from the **Jobs** menu, click **Recover** and then click **Individual Files**.



Starting File Recovery from Backup Repository

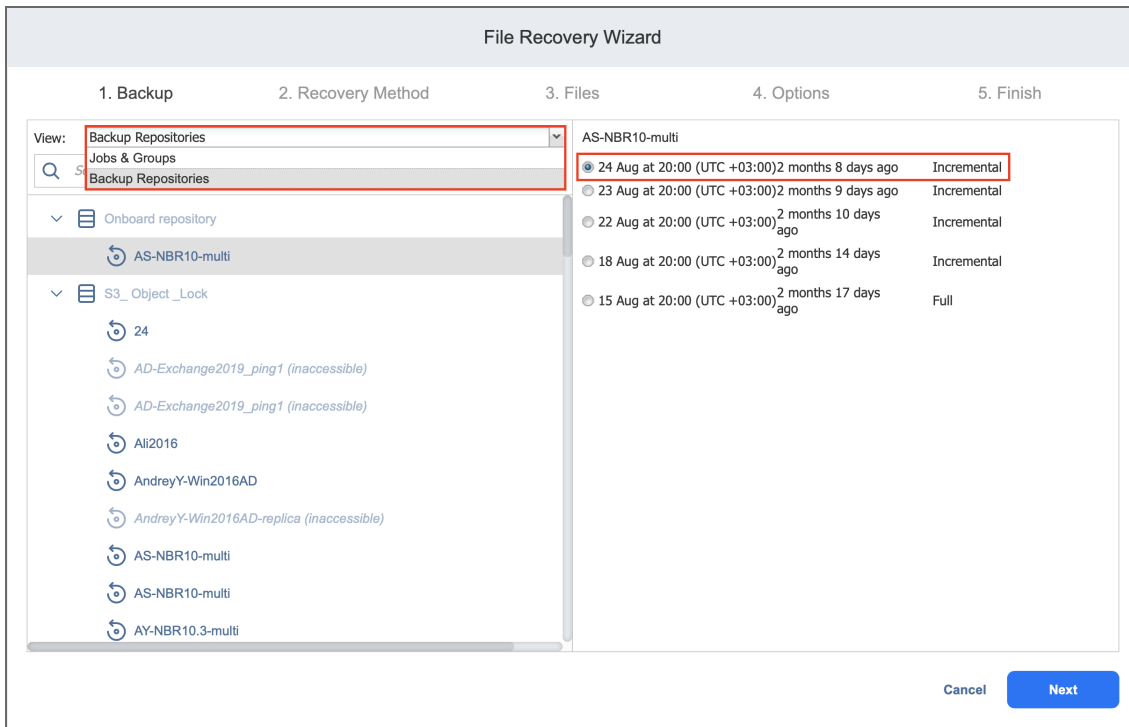
To start file recovery from a Backup Repository, do the following:

1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and hover over the **Backup Repository** containing the required backup.

The screenshot displays the NAKIVO backup management interface. On the left is a dark navigation sidebar with icons for Overview, Jobs, Monitoring, Activities, Calendar, Search, Settings (highlighted with a red box), Help, and Logout. The main content area is divided into sections: a top status bar with metrics (0 Issues, 3 Repositories, 0 Inaccessible, 0 Out of space, 1 Detached, 0 In m...), a left-hand menu with 'General', 'Inventory', 'Nodes', 'Reposities' (highlighted with a red box), and 'Tape'. The central 'Reposities' table lists three entries: 's3' (7 backups), 'NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100' (12 backups, 7.08 TB free), and 'Backblaze' (Detached). A context menu is open over the 'Backblaze' entry, showing 'GRANULAR RECOVERY' options: 'Individual files' (highlighted with a red box), 'Object recovery for Microsoft Exchange', 'Object recovery for Microsoft SQL Server', 'Object recovery for Microsoft Active Directory', 'Universal object recovery', 'Export backups', and 'File share recovery'. Below these are 'Recover' (highlighted with a red box), 'Refresh', 'Detach', 'Edit', 'Remove', and 'Delete backups in bulk'. A 'MAINTENANCE' section at the bottom includes 'Run repository self-healing' and 'Verify all harktime'. The footer shows 'NAKIVO | support@nakivo.com Powered by NAKIVO, v10.10.0.' and the NAKIVO logo.

File Recovery Wizard: Backup

On the **Backup** page of the wizard, select a backup using either a **Backup Repository** or **Jobs & Groups** view in the left pane, and then select a recovery point in the right pane.



Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

File Recovery Wizard: Recovery Server

In this page of the wizard, choose one of the following recovery methods:

- [Recovering Files to Server](#)
- [Downloading Files to Browser or Sending Files via Email](#)
- [Recovering Files to File Share](#)

Recovering Files to Server

Please do the following to recover files to a server:

1. In the **Recovery Method** section, choose **Recover to the following server**.
2. The **Recovery Server Settings** section opens. Set the following options:
 - a. **Recovery server:** Choose the target server from the drop-down list.

Notes

- NAKIVO Backup & Replication tries to auto-detect the IP address automatically.
- File recovery to the original location is executed via a system account.

- b. **Server IP address:** Enter the IP address of the recovery server if it is not detected by the application based on the recovery server name.
 - c. **Use custom SSH port:** If necessary, enter an SSH port to be used for connecting to the recovery server. The default value is 22.
 - d. **Credentials type:** Choose your preferred option and enter your respective credentials:
 - a. **Password:** Enter a username with administrative privileges for the file share entered above and your password.
 - b. **Private key:** Select your private key from the drop-down list.
3. Click the **Test Connection** button to test your credentials for the specified recovery server. If your credentials are correct, a checkmark appears to the right of the button.

4. Click **Next**.

File Recovery Wizard

1. Backup 2. Recovery Method 3. Files 4. Options 5. Finish

Recovery Method

Download to browser or send via email

Recover to the following server

Recover to file share

Recovery Server Settings

Recovery server: AS-NBR10-multi ⓘ

Server hostname or IP: 10.30.23.176 ⓘ

Use custom SSH port: 22 ⓘ

Credentials type: Password

Username: admin

Password: ●●●●●●●●

[Manage credentials](#)

[Test Connection](#)

Cancel [Next](#)

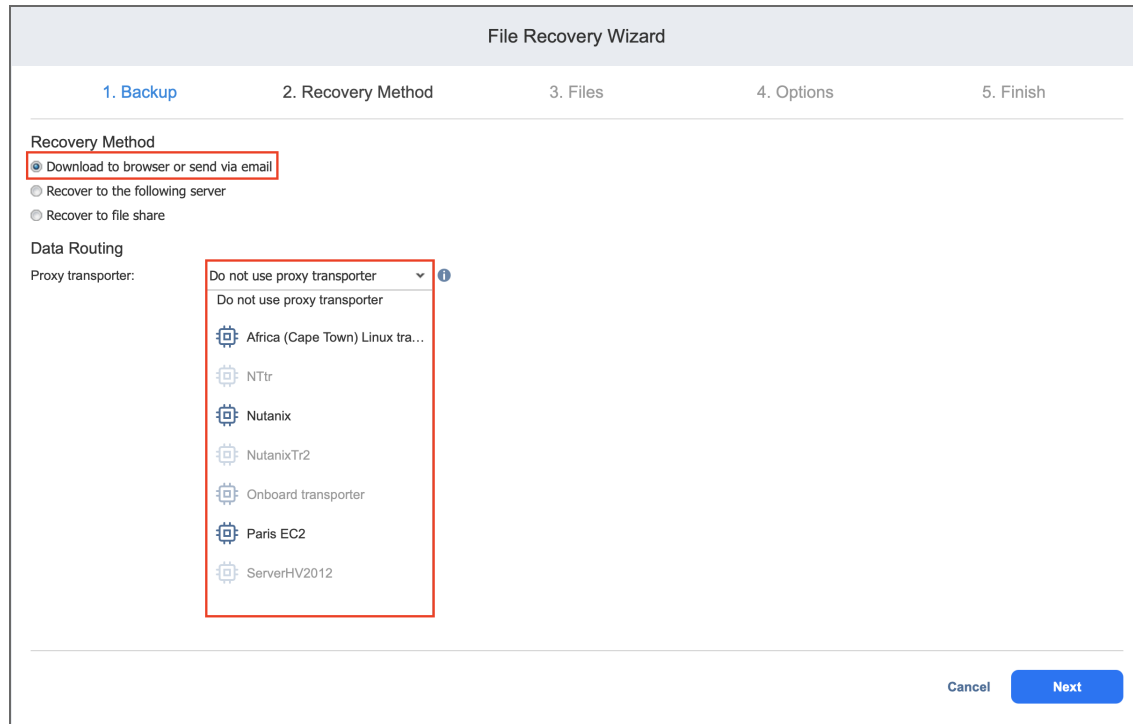
After NAKIVO Backup & Replication prepares a recovery point, the next page of the wizard opens.

Downloading Files to Browser or Sending Files via Email

To download files to your browser or send them via email, follow the steps below:

1. In the *Recovery Method* section, choose **Download to browser or send via email**.
2. The *Data Routing* section opens. In the **Proxy transporter list**, the **Do not use proxy transporter option** is chosen by default. You can also choose a proxy transporter from the list of available transporters.

3. Click **Next**.



Notes

NAKIVO Backup & Replication will use a proxy transporter in the following cases:

- The Transporter assigned to the backup repository is missing support for some file systems.
- The Transporter assigned to the backup repository is missing iSCSI packages.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication starts preparing a recovery point for the recovery. After the recovery point is prepared successfully, the next page of the wizard opens.

Recovering Files to File Share

To recovery files to a file share, do the following:

1. In the *Recovery Method* section, choose **Recover to file share**.
2. The *Data Routing* section opens. In the **Proxy transporter list**, the **Do not use proxy transporter option** is chosen by default. You can also choose a proxy transporter from the list of available transporters.
3. In the *File Share Settings* section, set the following options:
 - a. **Share type**: Choose the type of file share.
 - b. **Path to the share**: Enter the path to the file share.
 - c. **Credentials type**: Choose your preferred option and enter your respective credentials:

- a. **Password:** Enter a username with administrative privileges for the file share entered above and your password.
 - b. **Private key:** Enter your private key.
4. Click the **Test Connection** button to test your credentials for the specified file share. If your credentials are correct, a checkmark appears to the right of the button.
5. Click **Next**.

The screenshot shows the 'File Recovery Wizard' window, specifically the '2. Recovery Method' step. The wizard has four steps: 1. Backup, 2. Recovery Method, 3. Files, and 4. Finish. Under 'Recovery Method', three radio buttons are present: 'Download to browser or send via email', 'Recover to the following server', and 'Recover to file share'. The 'Recover to file share' option is selected and highlighted with a red box. Below this, the 'Data Routing' section has a 'Proxy transporter' dropdown set to 'Do not use proxy transporter'. The 'File Share Settings' section includes: 'Share type' (CIFS), 'Path to the share' (\\Backup\Files), 'Credentials type' (Password), 'Username' (admin), and 'Password' (masked with dots). A 'Test Connection' button is located to the right of the password field. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons.

Notes

File-level recovery to CIFS share may fail if network credentials are shared across multiple open CIFS connections. If you encounter issues while testing connection, try adding local host domain to the used credentials (i.e. localhost\Administrator).

In addition, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will use a proxy transporter in the following cases:

- The **Transporter** assigned to the backup repository is missing support for some file systems.
- The **Transporter** assigned to the backup repository is missing iSCSI packages.

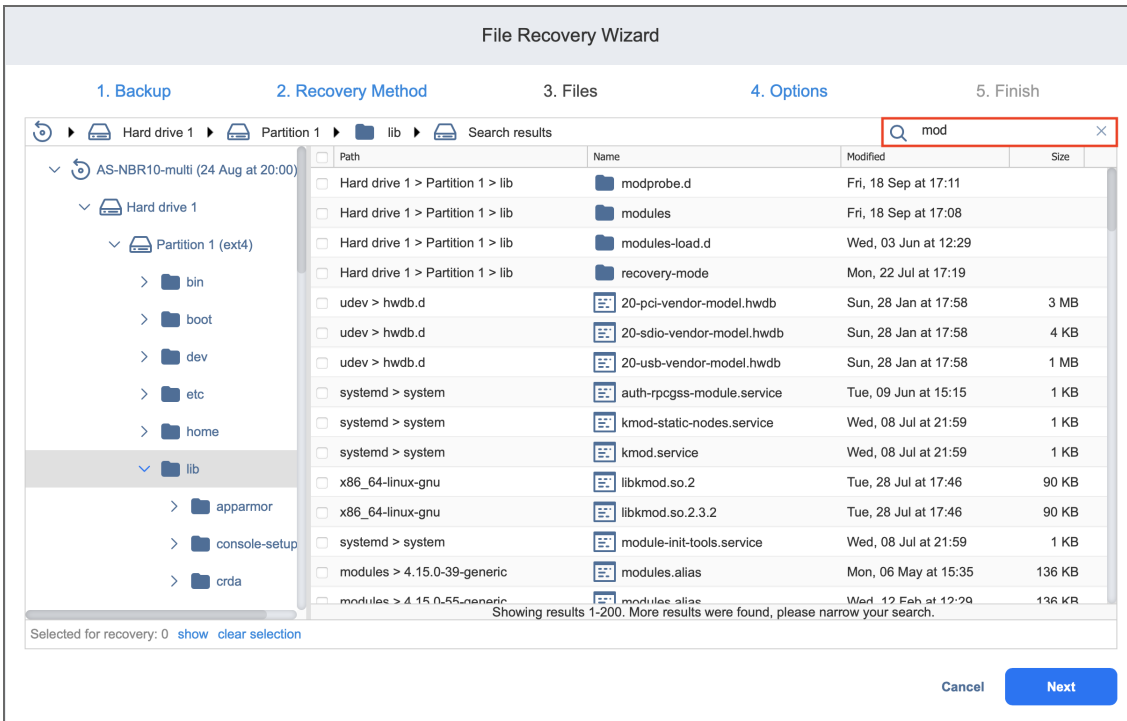
File Recovery Wizard: Files

On this page of the wizard, select files for recovery.

- [Searching for Files and Folders](#)
- [Browsing Files and Folders](#)
- [Selecting Files and Folders for Recovery](#)

Searching for Files and Folders

To search for a file or a folder, enter a part of or the entire name of the item into the **Search** box and press **Enter**.

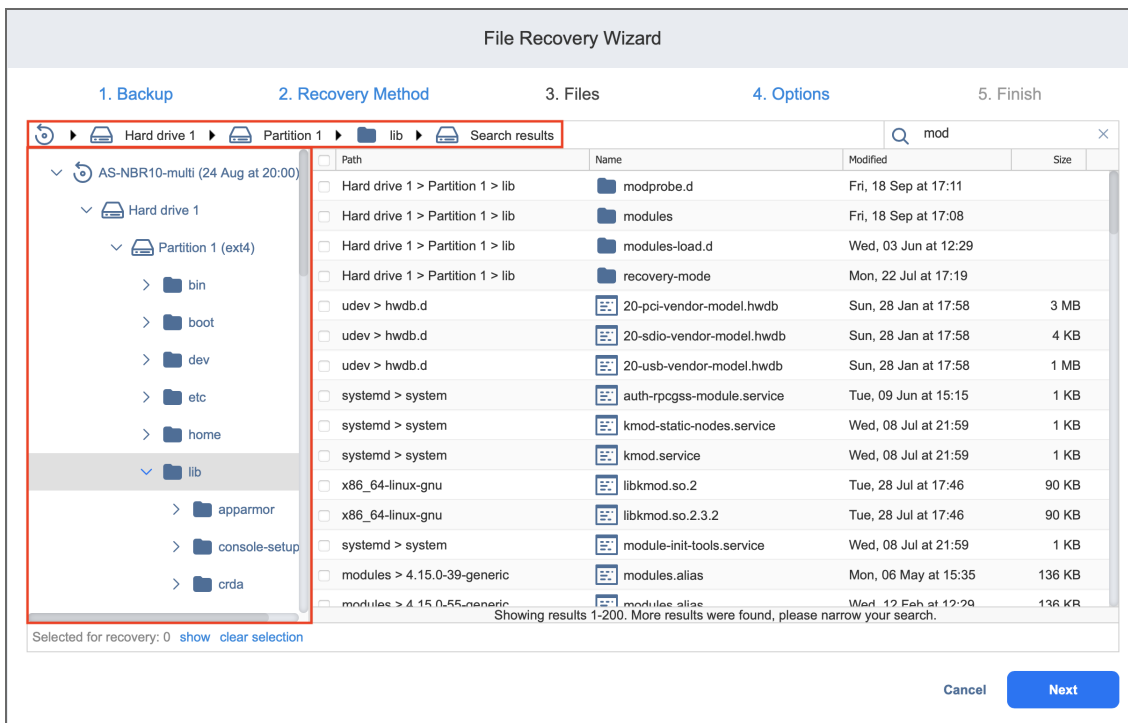


Notes

- NFS-mounted folders appear in the file tree as empty and the wizard does not recover the content of these folders.
- The search is performed starting from the point selected in the navigation pane. For example, if you select **Hard drive 1 > Disk 1 > Program Files**, the search will be performed only inside the **Program Files** folder.

Browsing Files and Folders

You can browse the files and folders of a VM backup using the navigation pane:



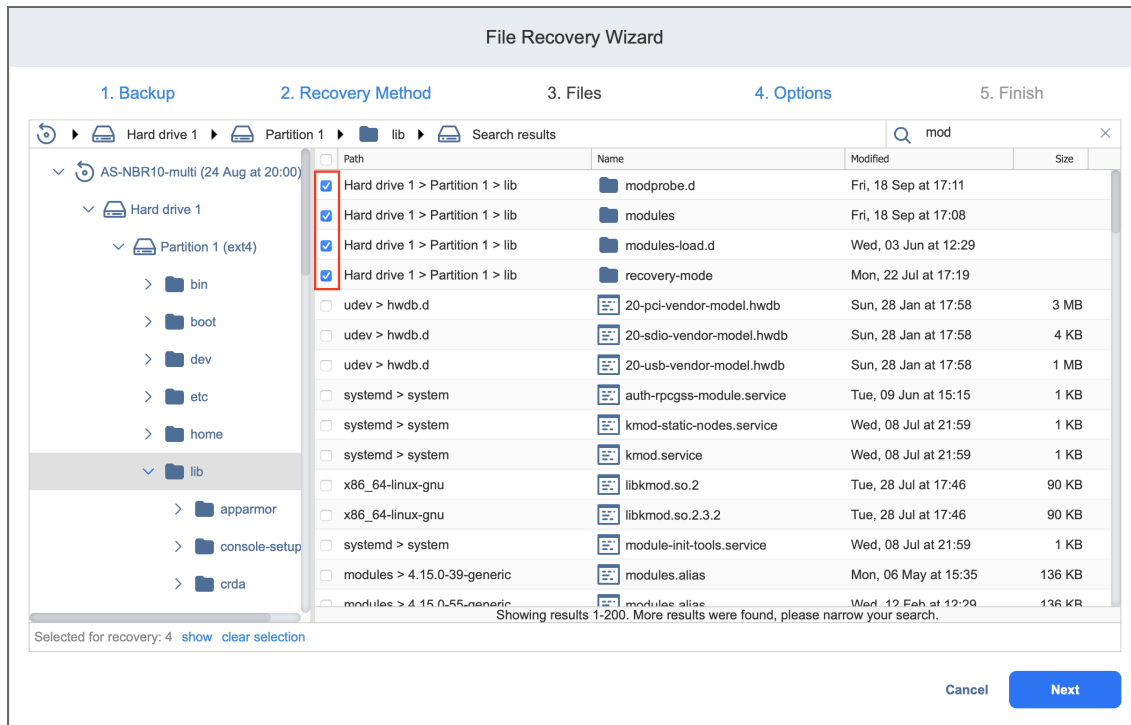
If a VM backup contains Linux LVM volumes or Windows dynamic disks, the navigation pane will display these logical groups in addition to all hard drives available in the VM backup. If a hard drive does not contain any partitions and servers as a part of a Linux LVM volume or a Windows dynamic disk, this hard drive will appear as empty.

You can also quickly move between folders by using the navigation bar above the navigation pane.

Selecting Files and Folders for Recovery

After locating the item you want to recover, select the checkbox next to it. The number of items selected for recovery is displayed at the bottom of the wizard page. You can also do the following:

- Click **show** to view the list of all items selected for recovery.
- Click **clear selection** to clear the list of items selected for recovery.



Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

File Recovery Wizard: Options

On this page of the wizard, you can choose one of the following recovery types:

- [Recovering Files via Recovery Server](#)
 - [Recovering Files to the Original Location](#)
 - [Recovering Files to a Custom Location](#)
- [Downloading Files to Browser or Sending Files via Email](#)
 - [Downloading Files](#)
 - [Forwarding Files via Email](#)

Recovering Files via Recovery Server

If you have chosen the **Recover to the following server** recovery method, on the **Recovery Server** page of the wizard, proceed as follows.

Important

- File recovery is not possible if a backup contains an incomplete set of disks that are a part of the spanned volume/dynamic disks/LVM/RAID software or any other disk structures.
- Servers added using Direct Connect are not supported.

Recovering Files to the Original Location

To recover files to original location:

1. In the **Recovery type** list, choose **Recover to original location**.
2. The **Overwrite behavior** list opens. Please choose one of the following:
 - **Rename recovered item if such item exists:** Choose the necessary server from the drop-down list.
 - **Skip recovered item if such item exists**
 - **Overwrite the original item if such item exists**
3. **Click Recover** to start recovering files to original location.

File Recovery Wizard

1. Backup 2. Recovery Server 3. Files 4. Options 5. Finish

Recovery type:

Overwrite behavior:

Recovering Files to a Custom Location

To recover files to a custom location:

1. In the **Recovery type** list, choose **Recover to custom location**.
2. A number of boxes open to let you set the options for a custom location. Do the following:
 - a. In the **Location type** box, choose one of the following:
 - **Local folder on Recovery Server**
 - **CIFS share**
 - **NFS share**

Note

If the selected archive is deleted from the share during the recovery process to CIFS share, the archive may still reappear in the folder and is deleted after the job is completed. Note that in such case the job is still marked as completed.

- b. In the **Location path/Path to share box**, enter the path to be used for file recovery:
 - A local path if you choose the **Local folder on Recovery Server** option.
 - A path to share on a remote server if you choose **CIFS share/NFS share**.
 - c. In the **Overwrite behavior** box, choose of of the following:
 - **Rename recovered item if such item exists**
 - **Skip recovered item is such item exists**
 - **Overwrite the original item if such item exists**
 - d. In the **Username** and **Password** boxes, enter the credentials required for accessing the CIFS share location you specified above.
 3. Click **Recover**.

Note

File-level recovery to CIFS share may fail if network credentials are shared across multiple open CIFS connections. If you encounter issues while performing file recovery to CIFS share, try adding localhost domain to the used credentials (i.e.

localhost\Administrator).

File Recovery Wizard

1. Backup 2. Recovery Server 3. Files 4. Options 5. Finish

Recovery type: Recover to custom location

Location type: CIFS share

Path to the share: \\zenlar012\Share

Username: admin

Password: *****

Overwrite behavior: Rename recovered item if such item exists

Recover Cancel

Downloading Files to Browser or Sending Files via Email

If you have chosen the **Download to browser or send via email** recovery method, on the **Recovery Server** page of the wizard, proceed as follows.

Downloading Files

Please do the following to download files for recovery:

1. In the **Recovery Type** drop-down list, select **Download**.
2. Click **Recover**.

File Recovery Wizard

1. Backup 2. Recovery Server 3. Files 4. Options 5. Finish

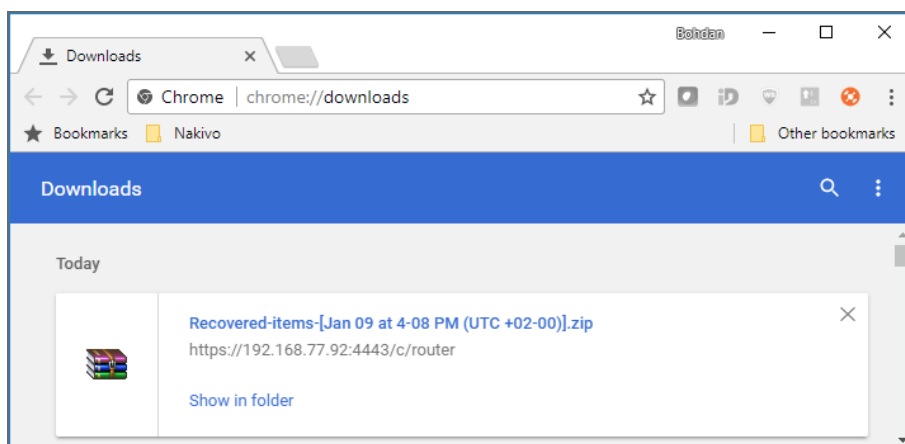
Recovery type: Download

Download

Forward via email

Recover Cancel

When the download has finished successfully, the archive with the recovered items appears in the browser downloads folder.



Forwarding Files via Email

Note

To use this recovery type, your Email settings must be properly configured in the NAKIVO Backup & Replication Configuration. Refer to [“Email Settings” on page 365](#) for details.

Please do the following to forward recovered files via Email:

1. In the **Recovery type** list, choose **Forward via email**.
2. A number of boxes open to set the options required for forwarding recovery files via email. Do the following:
 - a. In the **To** box, enter one or more email addresses to be primary recipients of the recovery files. Use semicolons to separate multiple email addresses. The recipient’s email address is mandatory.
 - b. Optionally, in the **CC** box, you can enter one or more email addresses of secondary recipients.
3. Optionally, you can enter a subject in the **Subject** box.
4. Click **Recover**.

The screenshot displays the 'File Recovery Wizard' interface, specifically the 'Options' step. The wizard has five steps: 1. Backup, 2. Recovery Server, 3. Files, 4. Options, and 5. Finish. The 'Recovery type' dropdown menu is set to 'Forward via email'. The 'To' field contains 'administrator@nakivo.com', the 'CC' field contains 'administrator@example.com', and the 'Subject' field contains 'Recovered Items - 17 Jun at 12:05 (UTC +03:00)'. There is one attachment named 'Administrator'. The text 'Recovered by NAKIVO Backup & Replication' is visible in the main content area. At the bottom right, there are 'Recover' and 'Cancel' buttons.

Object Recovery for Microsoft Exchange

The [object recovery](#) feature in NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to browse, search, and recover Microsoft Exchange emails directly from compressed and deduplicated backups. Recovery can also be performed back to the source or any other location including CIFS share. The Object Recovery for Microsoft Exchange feature is agentless, works right out of the box, and does not require creating a special lab or running a special backup type.

Refer to the following topics for more information:

- [“Starting Object Recovery for Microsoft Exchange” on page 859](#)
- [“Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft Exchange: Backup” on page 861](#)
- [“Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft Exchange: Recovery Method” on page 862](#)
- [“Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft Exchange: Objects” on page 864](#)
- [“Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft Exchange: Options” on page 866](#)

Starting Object Recovery for Microsoft Exchange

You can start the recovery process either from the **Jobs** menu, by using the [search](#) function, or from the **Repositories** tab in **Settings** (for example, if you no longer have a backup job but still have the backup).

Important

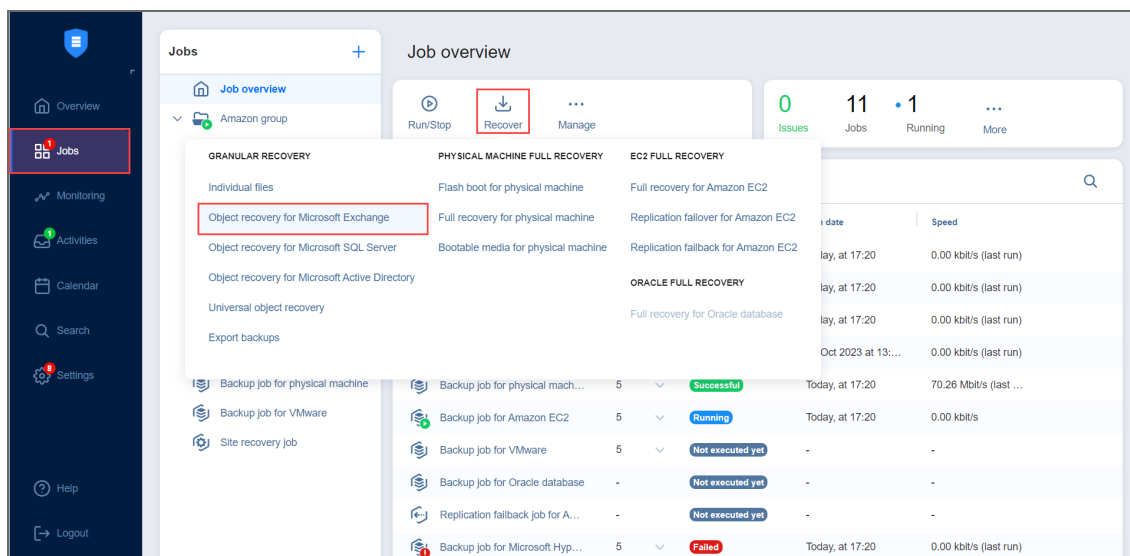
The recovery process may result in additional load and memory usage on the target server. Therefore, make sure that the server has enough memory.

Refer to the following sections to learn how to start the object recovery process for Microsoft Exchange:

- [Starting Object Recovery for Microsoft Exchange from Jobs Menu](#)
- [Starting Object Recovery for Microsoft Exchange from Backup Repository](#)

Starting Object Recovery for Microsoft Exchange from Jobs Menu

To start object recovery for Microsoft Exchange from the **Jobs** menu, click **Recover** and then click **Object recovery for Microsoft Exchange**.

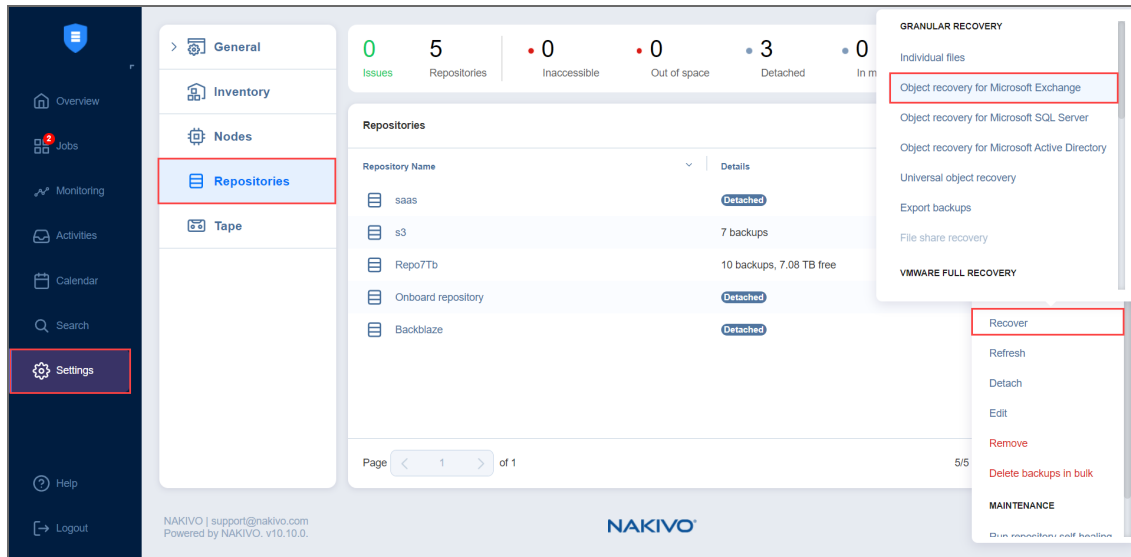


Starting Object Recovery for Microsoft Exchange from Backup Repository

To start object recovery for Microsoft Exchange from a **Backup Repository**, do the following:

1. Click **Settings** in the main menu of the product.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and hover over the **Backup Repository** containing the required backup.

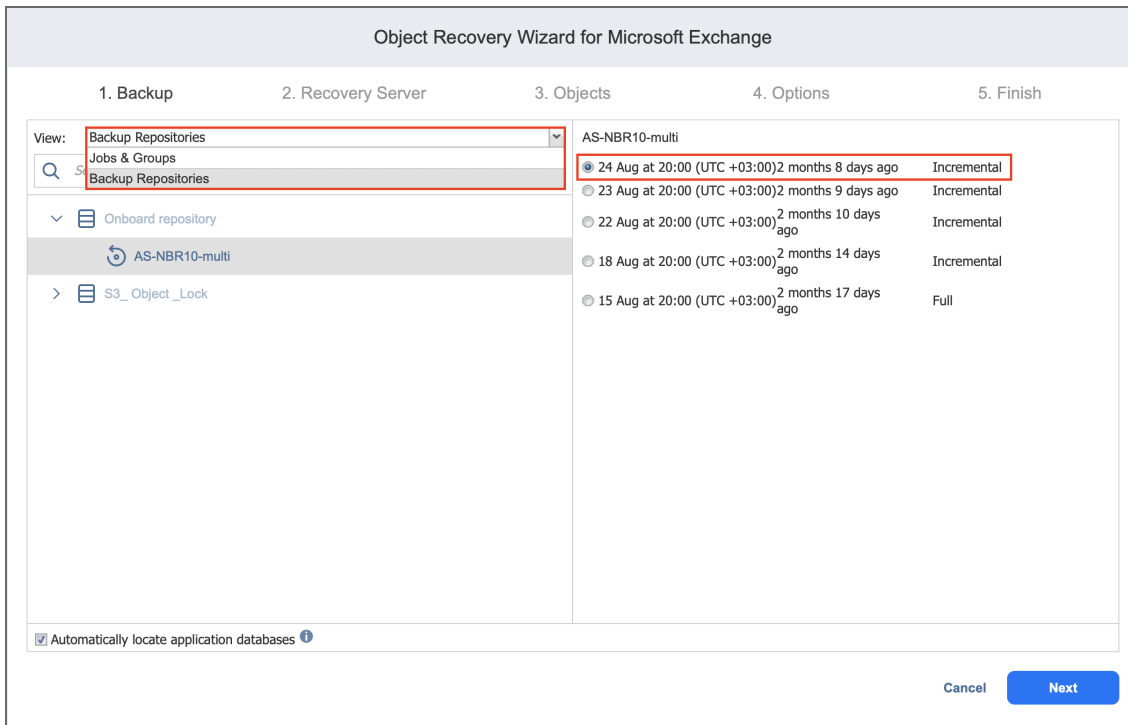
3. Click the ellipsis **Manage** button, click **Recover**, and select **Object recovery for Microsoft Exchange**.



The **Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft Exchange** opens.

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft Exchange: Backup

On the **Backups** page of the wizard, select a backup using either a **Backup Repository** or **Jobs & Groups** view in the left pane, and then select a recovery point in the right pane.



By default, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically searches the selected recovery point for Microsoft Exchange databases (files with .edb extension) from which application objects can be recovered. This process can take a few minutes. If you want to manually specify the location of the database file, deselect the **Automatically locate application databases** option.

Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft Exchange: Recovery Method

On the **Recovery Method** page, select the Exchange Server you want to recover to and provide authentication information:

- **Recovery server:** From the drop-down list, select the Exchange Server instance to which the objects must be recovered. The original VM is selected by default. The selection functionality lets you switch views to display the platform where the required VM resides: VMware vSphere, Microsoft Hyper-V, Amazon EC2, Nutanix AHV, or a physical machine. You can also search for the VM by its name. You can skip this parameter altogether and enter the VM's IP address manually in the next field.

Notes

- Selecting a different recovery server or entering the IP address of a different server may be blocked in case the **user** has insufficient permissions.
- Servers added using **Direct Connect** are not supported.

- **Server IP address:** Displays the automatically detected IP address of the server to which the objects must be recovered. You'll need to enter the IP address of the recovery server manually if autodetection fails or if you did not select anything in the previous parameter.
- **Use custom SSH port** (for Linux objects only): Put a checkmark and enter the port number to be used for SSH connection. When the **Use custom SSH port** checkbox is not checked, the default value is used for SSH connections.
- **Credentials type:** Choose your preferred option and enter your respective credentials:
 - a. **Password:** Enter a username with administrative privileges for the file share entered above and your password.
 - b. **Private key:** Select your private key from the drop-down list.
- **Test Connection:** Click this button to verify the credentials. You won't be able to proceed until after the connection has been successfully established.

- Click **Next** to proceed to the next step.

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft Exchange

1. Backup 2. Recovery Server 3. Objects 4. Options 5. Finish

Recovery Server Settings

Recovery server: AS-NBR10-multi ⓘ

Server hostname or IP: 10.30.23.176 ⓘ

Use custom SSH port: 22 ⓘ

Credentials type: Password

Username: admin

Password: ●●●●●●

[Test Connection](#)

[Manage credentials](#)

Cancel [Next](#)

Info

To download items to a browser or forward them via email, enable the **system.exchange.enable.direct.recovery** setting in the [Expert tab](#). Note that contacts and calendar items will not be recoverable with this enabled setting.

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft Exchange: Objects

On the **Objects** page of the wizard, select Microsoft Exchange objects for recovery. Proceed as described in the following sections:

- [Searching for Microsoft Exchange Objects](#)
- [Browsing Microsoft Exchange Objects](#)
- [Viewing Microsoft Exchange Objects](#)
- [Selecting Microsoft Exchange Objects to Recover](#)

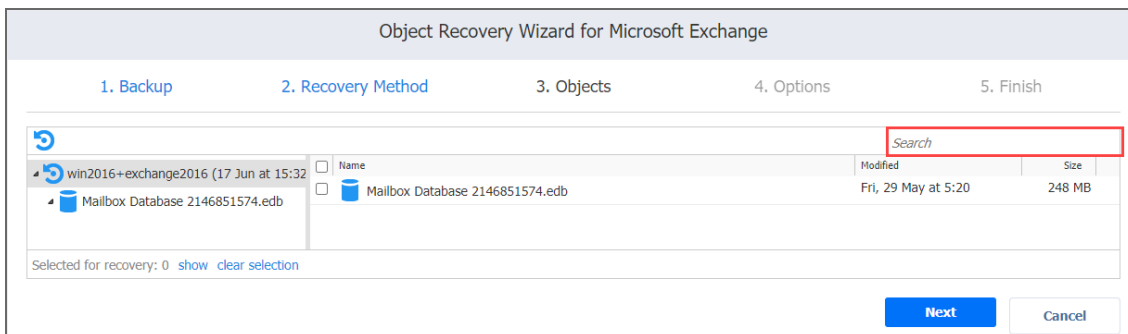
Searching for Microsoft Exchange Objects

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to search for emails. The search functionality, however, has the following limitations:

- The product can search for emails only by email subject or email body
- If text formatting (such as “bold text”) is applied to a keyword that is searched for, the search may not find the keyword due to formatting conversion issues.
- The product does not create or maintain an index of the Exchange database contents. The search is performed on the fly and can take a long time to complete.

To speed up the search, perform the search within a particular folder, rather than in a mailbox.

To search for an email by its subject or body, type a word in the **Search** field and press **Enter**.



The search is performed starting from the point selected in the left (navigation) pane. For example, if you have selected Mailbox Database > John Smith, the search will be performed only inside the John Smith mailbox.

Browsing Microsoft Exchange Objects

NAKIVO Backup & Replication scans the selected recovery point for Microsoft Exchange databases (files with the .edb extension) and displays the list of found databases in the left pane.

Not all of the found database files contain Microsoft Exchange objects that can be recovered by the product. To browse Microsoft Exchange objects, expand the appropriate database in the left pane.

Viewing Microsoft Exchange Objects

To view a Microsoft Exchange object such as an email, click the object. Object contents will be displayed.

Note

Emails may be blocked from reading in case the [user](#) has insufficient permissions.

Selecting Microsoft Exchange Objects to Recover

In the right pane, select checkboxes next to files and folders you want to recover. The number of items selected for recovery is displayed at the bottom of the wizard page. You can also:

- Click **show** to view the list of all items selected for recovery.
- Click **clear selection** to clear the list of items selected for recovery.
- Click **hide** to hide the list of items selected for recovery.

Important

For successful recovery of databases, make sure that the Exchange Server license supports the number of databases you plan to recover.

After selecting objects for recovery, click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft Exchange: Options

On the **Options** page, specify the location for recovered objects and define overwriting options and naming conventions.

Info

To download items to a browser or forward them via email, enable the **system.exchange.enable.direct.recovery** setting in the [Expert tab](#). Note that contacts and calendar items will not be recoverable with this enabled setting.

- [Recovering to the Original Location](#)
- [Recovering to a Custom Location](#)
- [Exporting to a Custom Location](#)
- [Overwriting Behavior](#)

Recovering to the Original Location

In the **Recovery type** drop-down list, select **Recover to original location** to recover objects to their original location on the recovery VM.

Note

Recovering to the original location is not supported when a whole mailbox is selected for recovery.

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft Exchange

1. Backup 2. Recovery Method 3. Objects 4. Options 5. Finish

Recovery type:

Overwrite behavior:

The database(s) will be recovered to the selected server, however the mailbox(es) will be disabled.

Recovering to a Custom Location

In the **Recovery type** drop-down list, select **Recover to custom location** to recover objects to a custom location on the recovery VM. Specify the recovery location in the **Local path field** or browse to find it.

Notes

- Recovering to a custom location may be blocked in case the **user** has insufficient permissions.
- Recovering to a custom location is not supported when a whole mailbox is selected for recovery.

The screenshot shows the 'Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft Exchange' window, specifically the '2. Recovery Method' step. The wizard has five steps: 1. Backup, 2. Recovery Method, 3. Objects, 4. Options, and 5. Finish. The 'Recovery type' is set to 'Recover to custom location'. The 'Local path' is 'C:\Folder\Subfolder' with a 'Browse...' button. The 'Overwrite behavior' is set to 'Rename recovered item if such item exists'. A yellow warning box contains the text: 'The database(s) will be recovered to the selected server, however the mailbox(es) will be disabled.' At the bottom right, there are 'Recover' and 'Cancel' buttons.

Exporting to a Custom Location

In the **Recovery type** drop-down list, you can choose **Export** to export Microsoft Exchange. You can choose the following locations for the export:

- **Local folder:** After selecting this option, enter the local path to the folder where the recovered objects should be stored.
- **CIFS share:** After selecting this option, provide the path to the file share and enter the necessary credentials.

Notes

- This option is not supported for databases.
- When this option is selected, some object types are not exported to .pst files:
 - Contacts are exported to .vcf files.
 - Calendar objects are exported to .vcs files.
 - Emails are exported to .eml files.

Overwriting Behavior

Specify the naming convention for the recovered folders by choosing one of the following options from the **Overwrite behavior** drop-down list:

- **Rename recovered item if such an item exists**
- **Skip recovered item if such an item exists**

- **Overwrite the original item if such an item exists**

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft Exchange

1. Backup 2. Recovery Method 3. Objects 4. Options 5. Finish

Recovery type: Export

Location type: CIFS share

Path to the share: \\ServerName\FolderName

Username: Type or select username

Password: [Manage credentials](#)

Overwrite behavior:
Rename recovered item if such item exists
Rename recovered item if such item exists
Skip recovered item if such item exists
Overwrite the original item if such item exists

Recover Cancel

Click **Recover** to proceed with the recovery process. The **Finish** page is displayed. You cannot return to the previous pages of the wizard at this point, however, you can check the progress of the job execution by clicking the **Activities** link.

Object Recovery for Microsoft Active Directory

The [instant object recovery](#) feature allows you to browse, search and recover Microsoft Active Directory objects directly from compressed and deduplicated backups. This feature is agentless, works right out of the box, and does not require you to create a special lab or run a special type of backup. Microsoft Active Directory objects can be recovered in `.ldif` format and then be imported back to the Active Directory Server.

Refer to the following topics for more information:

- [“Starting Object Recovery for Microsoft Active Directory” on page 870](#)
- [“Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft AD Server: Backup” on page 872](#)
- [“Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft AD Server: Recovery Server” on page 873](#)
- [“Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft AD Server: Objects” on page 875](#)
- [“Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft AD Server: Options” on page 878](#)

Starting Object Recovery for Microsoft Active Directory

You can start the recovery process either from the **Jobs** menu, by using the [Search](#) function, or from the **Repositories** tab in the **Settings** (for example, if you no longer have a backup job, but still have the backup).

Refer to the following sections for more details:

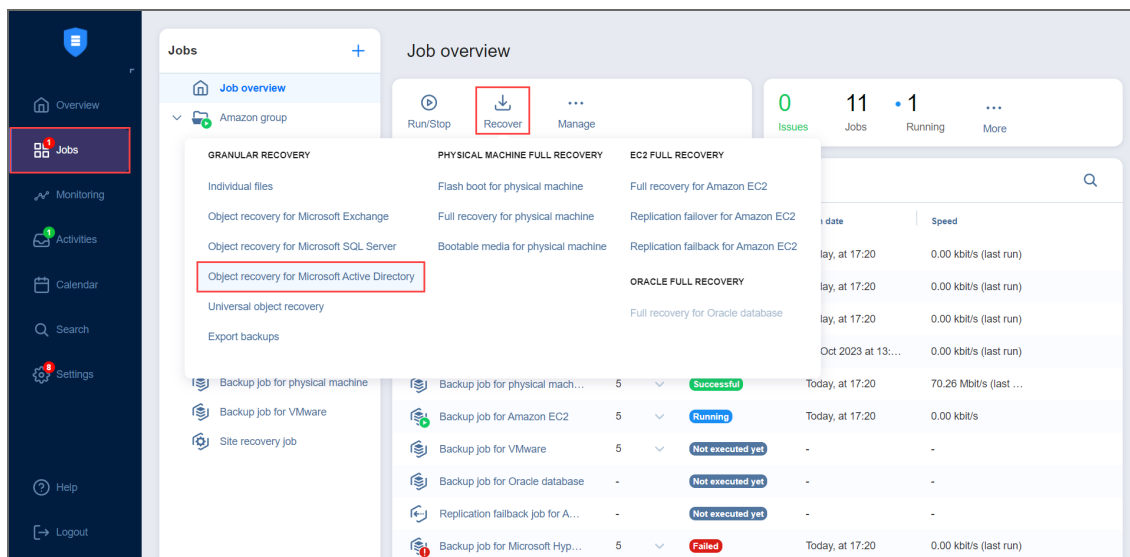
- [Starting Active Directory Object Recovery from Jobs Menu](#)
- [Starting Active Directory Object Recovery from a Backup Repository](#)

Note

During the Active Directory object recovery process, the system shall generate a new objectSID and assign it to the recovered object. Due to [Windows limitations](#), once the recovered object has a new SID, it is not possible to change it back to the original SID.

Starting Active Directory Object Recovery from Jobs Menu

To start Active Directory Object Recovery from the **Jobs** menu, click **Recover** and then choose **Object recovery for Microsoft Active Directory**.

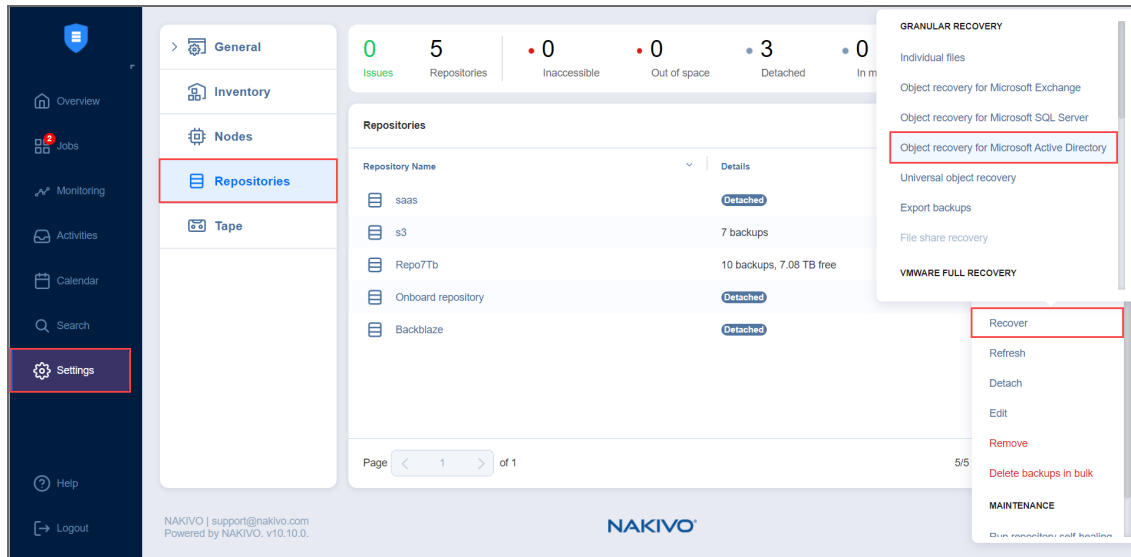


Starting Active Directory Object Recovery from a Backup Repository

To start Active Directory Object Recovery from a **Backup Repository**, do the following:

1. Go to the main menu of the product and click **Settings**.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and hover over the **Backup Repository** containing the required backup.

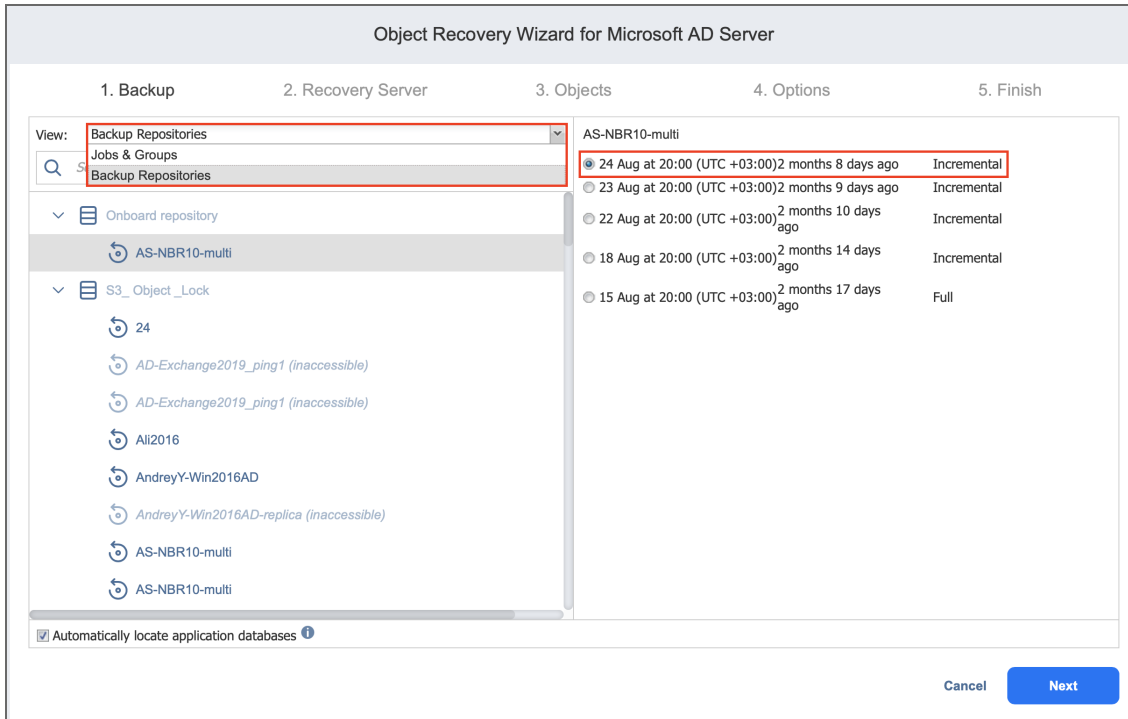
3. Click the ellipsis **Manage** button, click **Recover**, and select **Microsoft Active Directory objects**.



The **Object Recovery Job Wizard for Microsoft AD Server** opens.

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft AD Server: Backup

On the **Backup** page of the wizard, select a backup of a VM with the Microsoft Active Directory server in the left pane and then select a recovery point in the right pane. You can choose a backup from either a **Backup Repository** or jobs and groups you've created.



By default, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically searches the selected recovery point for the Microsoft Active Directory database from which application objects can be recovered. This process can take a few minutes. If you want to manually specify the location of the database file, deselect the **Automatically locate application databases** checkbox.

Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft AD Server: Recovery Server

On the **Recovery Server** page of the wizard, set up a Microsoft Active Directory server to which objects will be recovered.

Important

- The ISCSI Initiator service must be running on the recovery server.
- The `vc_redist.x86.exe` (v.2015) file must be installed on the recovery server. Refer to the [Microsoft article](#) for installation details.
- Servers added using Direct Connect are not supported.

Set up a Microsoft Active Directory server the following way:

- In the **Recovery Server** drop-down list, select a recovery server name.
- In the **Server IP address** box, enter the IP address of the recovery server. This is necessary if the application has not detected the IP address based on the recovery server name.
- **Credentials type:** Choose your preferred option and enter your respective credentials:
 - a. **Password:** Enter a username with administrative privileges for the file share entered above and your password.
 - b. **Private key:** Select your private key from the drop-down list.
- Click the **Test Connection** button to test your credentials for the specified recovery server. If your credentials are correct, a checkmark appears to the right of the button.
- **Create snapshot before recovery:** When selected, a snapshot of the VM will be taken if recovery fails, and the VM will be reverted to this snapshot.

- Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft AD Server

1. Backup 2. Recovery Server 3. Objects 4. Options 5. Finish

Recovery Server Settings

Recovery server: AS-NBR10-multi ⓘ

Server hostname or IP: 10.30.23.176 ⓘ

Credentials type: Password

Username: admin

Password: ●●●●●●●●

Test Connection

Create snapshot before recovery ⓘ

Cancel **Next**

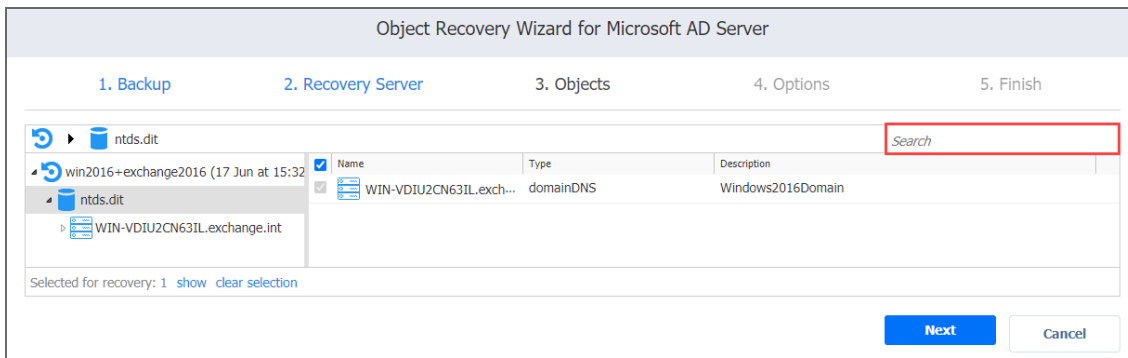
Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft AD Server: Objects

On the **Objects** page of the wizard, select Active Directory objects you want to recover.

- [Searching for Active Directory Objects](#)
- [Browsing Active Directory Objects](#)
- [Viewing Active Directory Objects](#)
- [Selecting Active Directory Objects to Recover](#)

Searching for Active Directory Objects

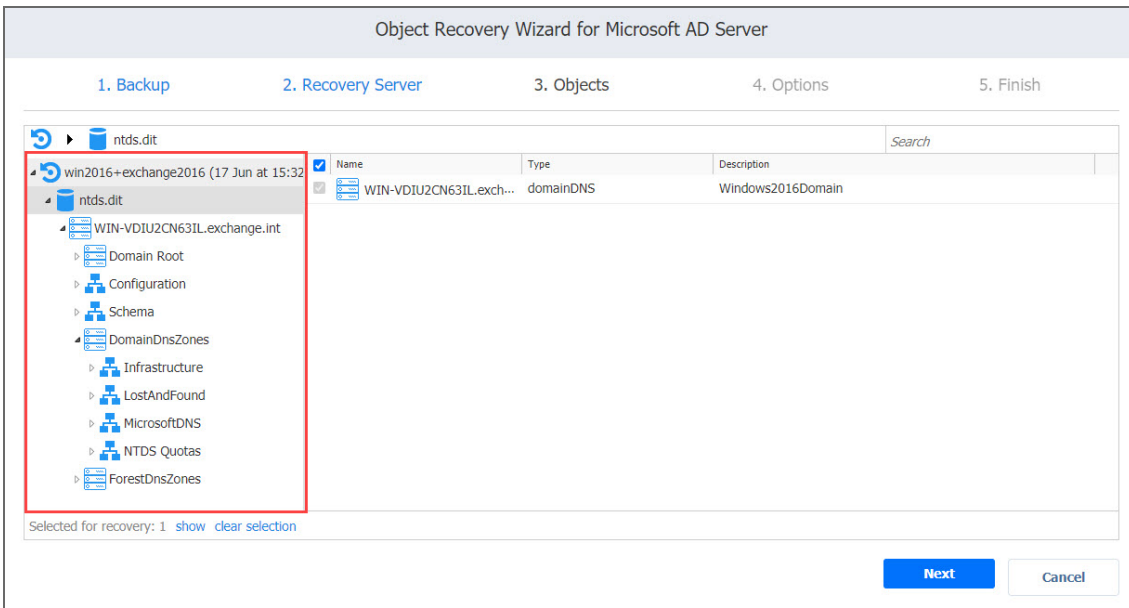
NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to search Active Directory objects by name. To find an object by its name, enter a word in the **Search** box and press **Enter**



The search is performed starting from the point selected in the left (navigation) pane. For example, if you have selected the **Users** group, the search will only be performed inside the **Users** group.

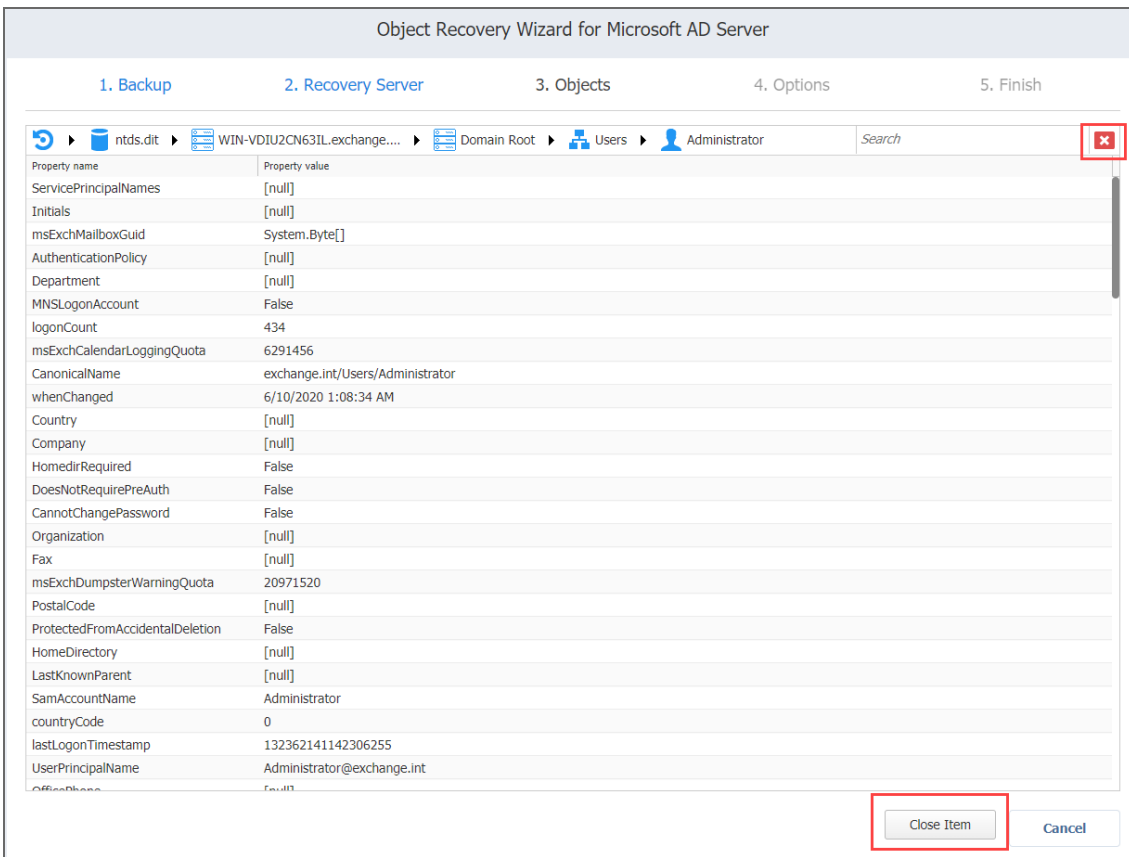
Browsing Active Directory Objects

NAKIVO Backup & Replication scans the selected recovery point for Active Directory databases (files with “.edb” extension) and displays the list of identified databases in the left (navigation) pane. To browse Microsoft Active Directory objects, simply expand the appropriate database in the left pane. You can also browse the tree by using the scroll bar.



Viewing Active Directory Objects

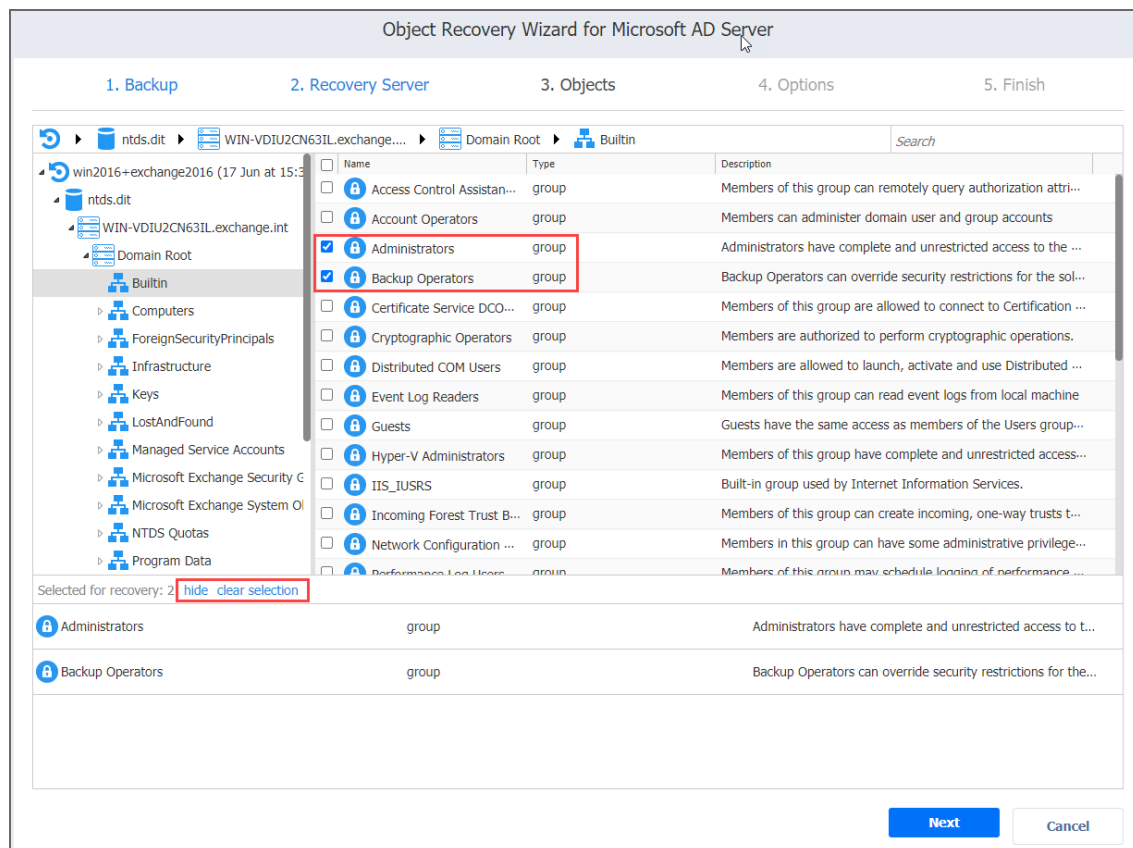
To view a Microsoft Active Directory object, click the object. The object contents will be displayed. Use the close buttons to close the item.



Selecting Active Directory Objects to Recover

In the **Contents** pane to the right, select a checkbox next to the items you want to recover. The number of items selected for recovery is displayed at the bottom of the wizard page. You can also:

- Click **show** to view the list of all items selected for recovery.
- Click **clear selection** to clear the list of items selected for recovery.
- Click **hide** to hide the list of items selected for recovery.



When ready with selecting Microsoft Active Directory objects for recovery, click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft AD Server: Options

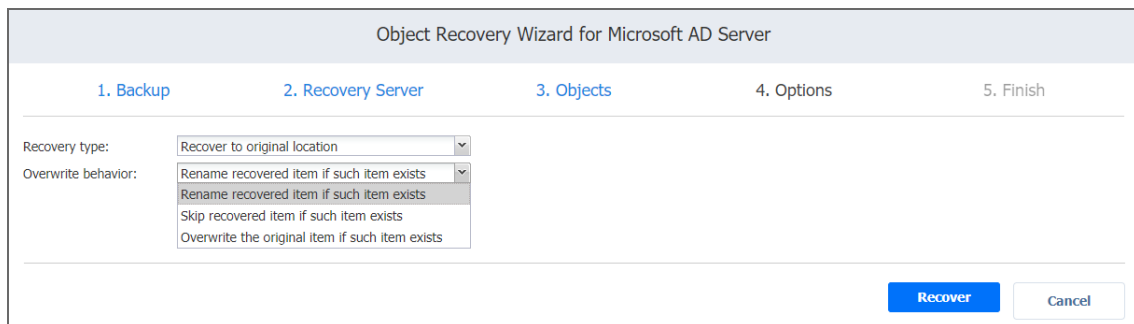
On the **Options** page of the wizard, you can set up the following options for your object recovery job:

- [Recovering Objects to the Original Location](#)
- [Exporting Active Directory Objects](#)

Recovering Objects to the Original Location

Follow the steps below to recover objects of your Microsoft Active Directory server to the original location:

1. In the **Recovery type** list, select **Recover to original location**.
2. If you have selected multiple objects or container(s) that include one or more “user” objects, the **Recover of user object** list becomes available. Select either of the following options:
 - **User will be disabled:** If this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication disables all recovered “user” objects and the corresponding user accounts are disabled after importing these objects to Active Directory.
 - **User must change password at next log on:** If this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication generates a new password for each recovered “user” object. The `passwords.txt` file is added to the ZIP archive with recovered objects, and it contains the new passwords. After importing the “user” objects to Active Directory, corresponding users are forced to change the password on the next log on.



3. In the **Overwrite behavior** list, select what you wish to do if the recovered item conflicts with an existing one:
 - **Rename recovered item if such item exists**
 - **Skip recovered item if such item exists**
 - **Overwrite the original item if such item exists**
4. If you have chosen to recover a full database (`ntds.dit` file) on the **Recovery Server** page put a checkmark in the **Stop Microsoft Active Directory instance before recovery** checkbox to stop the instance before the recovery process begins. This option is recommended for the safe recovery of Active Dir-

ectory objects.

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft AD Server

1. Backup 2. Recovery Server 3. Objects 4. Options 5. Finish

Recovery type: Recover to original location

Overwrite behavior: Rename recovered item if such item exists

Stop Microsoft Active Directory instance before recovery. ?

Recover Cancel

5. Click **Recover**.

Notes

- Some attributes may be skipped for the selected object(s) depending on the Active Directory system settings.
- In case the recovery process fails, the VM will be reverted to the snapshot taken on the **Recovery Server** page of the wizard

Exporting Active Directory Objects

Follow the steps below to export recovered objects of your Microsoft Active Directory server to a custom location:

1. In the **Recovery type** list, select **Export**. A number of options become available for setting up a custom location.
2. In the **Export location** list, select the appropriate location type:
 - **Local folder on Recovery Server:** If this option is selected, you will have to enter the path to a local folder on the recovery server in the **Local path** field.

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft AD Server

1. Backup 2. Recovery Server 3. Objects 4. Options 5. Finish

Recovery type: Export

Export location: Local folder on Recovery Server

Local path: C:\Folder\Subfolder

Overwrite behavior: Rename recovered item if such item exists

Stop Microsoft Active Directory instance before recovery. ?

Recover Cancel

- **CIFS share:** If this option is selected, enter the following values:
 1. **Path to the share**
 2. **Username**

3. Password

The screenshot shows the 'Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft AD Server' at step 3, 'Objects'. The wizard has five steps: 1. Backup, 2. Recovery Server, 3. Objects (current), 4. Options, and 5. Finish. The configuration options are as follows:

- Recovery type: Export (dropdown)
- Export location: CIFS share (dropdown)
- Path to the share: \\ServerName\FolderName (text input)
- Username: Type or select username (dropdown)
- Password: (text input)
- Overwrite behavior: Rename recovered item if such item exists (dropdown)
- Stop Microsoft Active Directory instance before recovery: (checkbox)

At the bottom right, there are two buttons: 'Recover' (blue) and 'Cancel' (white).

3. In the **Overwrite behavior** list, select what needs to be done if the recovered item conflicts with an existing item. Refer to the section above for an explanation.

4. Click **Recover**.

The **Finish** page of the wizard opens informing you that Microsoft Active Directory object recovery has started. To view the object recovery progress, open the **Activities** tab.

To close the wizard, click **Close**.

Importing Recovered Objects to Active Directory

Refer to the sections below for information on how to import recovered objects in Active Directory.

- [Importing Non-User Objects](#)
- [Importing User Objects](#)

Importing Non-User Objects

If Active Directory objects or containers that you have recovered do not contain “User” objects, follow the steps below to import the objects in Active Directory:

1. On the Active Directory machine, run command line as an administrator.
2. Run the following command: `ldifde -i -k -f filename -j logfolder`, where “filename.ldif” is the path to the recovered ldif file, and “logfolder” is the path to the folder where import logs will be saved.

Importing User Objects

If you have recovered one or more “User” objects or if you have recovered containers that include one or more “User” objects, follow the steps below to import the objects in Active Directory:

1. On the Active Directory machine, run command line as an administrator.
2. Enable a secure LDAP connection on the Active Directory machine:
 - a. Log on to the server and open the Server Manager tool.
 - b. Add the Active Directory Certificate Services role. On the **Role services** page of the **Add Roles and Features** wizard, select a Certification Authority.
 - c. When configuring the Active Directory Certificate service on the destination server, use proper credentials to configure the service, choose the **Enterprise CA** setup type, and choose a **Root CA for CA Type**.
 - d. Follow the rest of wizard instructions to complete adding the Active Directory Certificate Services role.
3. Run the following command: `ldifde -i -t 636 -f filename.ldif -k -j logfolder`, where “filename.ldif” is the path to the recovered ldif file, and “logfolder” is the path to the folder where import logs will be saved.
4. Edit the group policy by adding imported users. After importing one or more users, you may need to verify password options via user logon.

Object Recovery for Microsoft SQL Server

The [instant object recovery](#) feature in NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to browse, search, and recover Microsoft SQL Server objects directly from compressed and deduplicated backups. This out-of-the-box feature is agentless, and it does not require creating a special lab or running a special backup type. Microsoft SQL Server objects can be recovered to a source or another VM.

Refer to the following topics for more information:

- [“Starting Object Recovery for Microsoft SQL Server” on page 883](#)
- [“Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft SQL Server: Backup” on page 885](#)
- [“Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft SQL Server: Recovery Server” on page 886](#)
- [“Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft SQL Server: Objects” on page 888](#)
- [“Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft SQL Server: Options” on page 889](#)

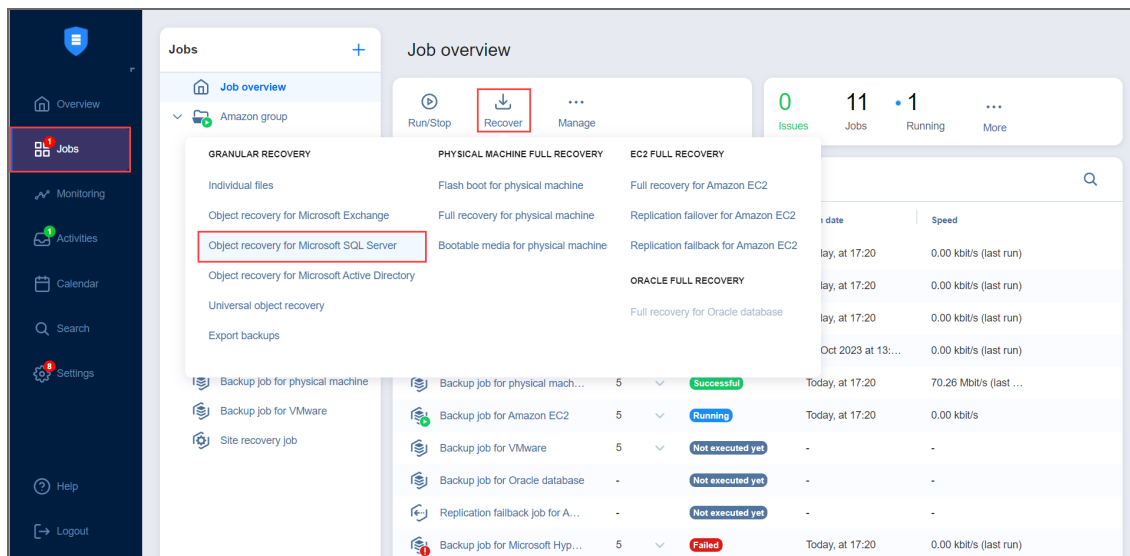
Starting Object Recovery for Microsoft SQL Server

You can start the recovery process either from the **Jobs** menu, by using the [Search](#) function, or from the **Repositories** tab in the **Settings** (for example, if you no longer have a backup job but still have the backup). Refer to the following sections for more details:

- [Starting SQL Server Object Recovery from Jobs Menu](#)
- [Starting SQL Server Object Recovery from Backup Repository](#)

Starting SQL Server Object Recovery from Jobs Menu

To start Microsoft SQL Server object recovery from the **Jobs** menu, click **Recover** and choose **Object recovery for Microsoft SQL Server**.

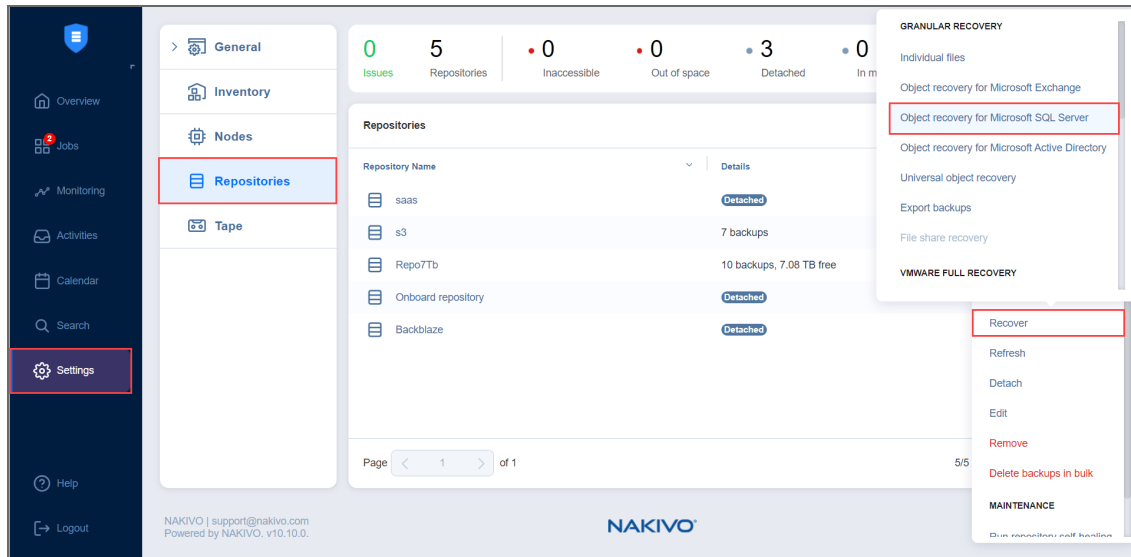


Starting SQL Server Object Recovery from Backup Repository

To start SQL Server object recovery from a **Backup Repository**:

1. Click **Settings** in the main menu of the product.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and hover the cursor over the **Backup Repository** containing the required backup.

3. Click the ellipsis **Manage** button, click **Recover**, and select **Object recovery for Microsoft SQL Server**.

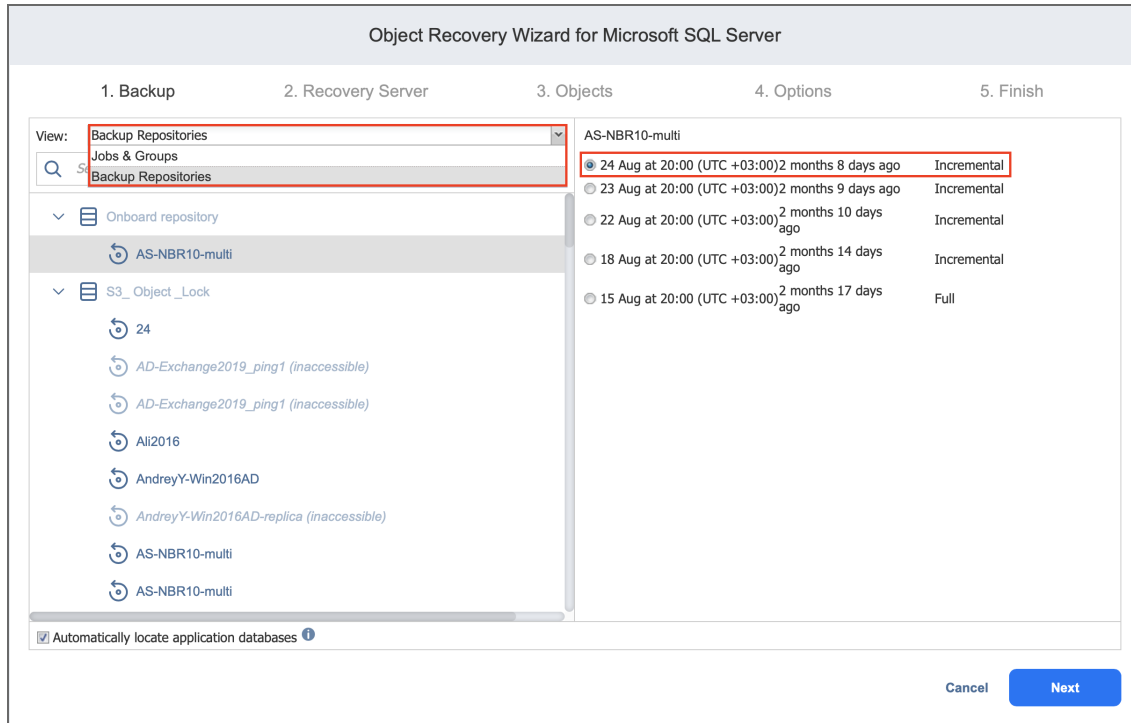


The **New Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft SQL Server** opens.

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft SQL Server: Backup

On the **Backup** page of the wizard:

1. Select a backup of a VM with Microsoft SQL in the left pane using either the **Backup Repositories** or **Jobs & Groups** view.
2. Select a recovery point in the right pane.



3. Click **Next**.

By default, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically searches the selected recovery point for Microsoft SQL database from which objects can be recovered. This process can take a few minutes. If you want to manually specify the location of the database file, deselect the **Automatically locate application databases** option.

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft SQL Server: Recovery Server

To set up a recovery server for Microsoft SQL Server objects:

1. The **Recovery Server Settings** section opens. Please enter the following values:
 - **Recovery server:** Choose the target server from the drop-down list.

Notes

- NAKIVO Backup & Replication will try to auto-detect the IP address automatically.
- Servers added using **Direct Connect** are not supported.

- **Server IP address:** Enter the IP address of the recovery server if it is not detected by the application based on the recovery server name.
 - **Use custom SSH port:** If necessary, enter an SSH port to be used for connecting to the recovery server. The default value is 22.
 - **Credentials type:** Choose your preferred option and enter your respective credentials. Refer to [“Requirements for Microsoft SQL Server Object Recovery” on page 177](#) for a full list of requirements for recovering files to server.
 - a. **Password:** Enter a username with administrative privileges for the file share entered above and your password.
 - b. **Private key:** Select your private key from the drop-down list.
 - **SQL instance:** Select a target SQL instance.
2. Click the **Test Connection** button to test your credentials for the specified recovery server. If your credentials are correct, a checkmark appears to the right of the button.

3. Click **Next**.

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft SQL Server

1. Backup2. Recovery Server3. Objects4. Options5. Finish

Specify a Microsoft SQL Server instance which will be used to recover application items. Databases from the backup will be temporarily mounted to this server.

Recovery Server Settings

Recovery server: ⓘ

Server hostname or IP: ⓘ

Use custom SSH port: ⓘ

Credentials type:

Username: ⓘ

Password: ⓘ

[Manage credentials](#)

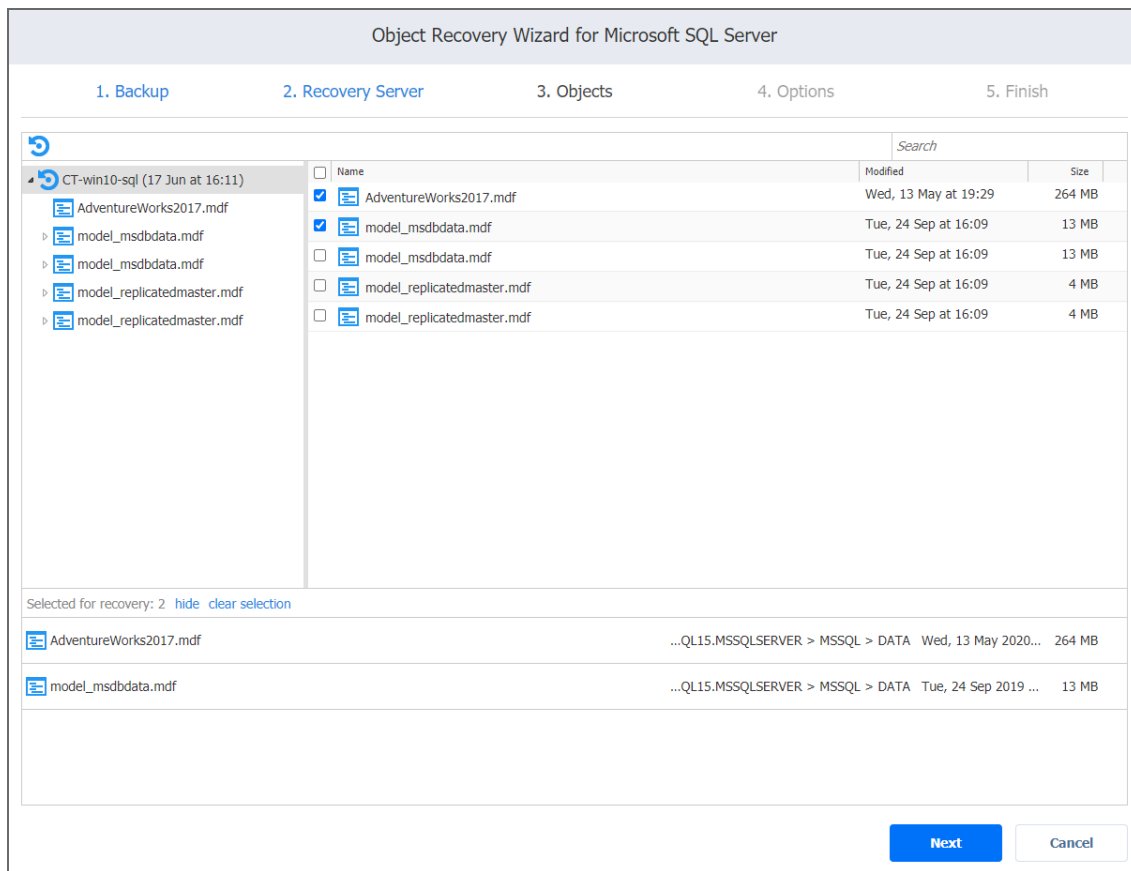
SQL instance:

Cancel Next

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft SQL Server: Objects

On the **Objects** page of the wizard, select objects for recovery. You can select either entire databases or individual objects for recovery.

1. Select the database in the left pane.
2. Select the objects in the right pane. If you want to restore an entire database, select all objects in this pane.
3. Alternatively, you can look for objects using the **Search** bar.
4. When you are done, click **Next**.



Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft SQL Server: Options

On the **Options** page of the wizard, set the options for the recovery job.

- [Recovery Scope](#)
- [Recovery Settings](#)
- [Overwrite Behavior](#)

Recovery Scope

Set the recovery scope by selecting either **Recover schema and data** or **Recover only schema**.

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft SQL Server

1. Backup 2. Recovery Server 3. Objects 4. Options 5. Finish

Recovery Scope

- Recover schema and data
- Recover only schema

Recovery Settings

Recovery type:

Overwrite behavior:

Recovery Settings

Set up the recovery type and overwrite behavior.

Recovery Type

- **Recover to original location:** Recover objects to the same server and SQL instance where they were originally located.
- **Recover to custom location:** Recover objects to a different instance.
- **Export :** Export objects as files to a specified location.
 - **SQL instance:** Select the target SQL instance.
 - **Target database:** Select the target database of the selected instance.
 - **Local folder on Recovery Server:** Specify a path to save objects.
 - **CIFS share:** Specify a remote CIFS (Windows) file share and your credentials for it (or select them

from the **Manage credentials** list).

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft SQL Server

1. Backup 2. Recovery Server 3. Objects 4. Options 5. Finish

Recovery Scope

Recover schema and data
 Recover only schema

Recovery Settings

Recovery type: Export

Export location: CIFS share

Path to the share: \\ServerName\FolderName

Username: Type or select username

Password: [Manage credentials](#)

Overwrite behavior: Rename recovered item if such item exists

Recover Cancel

If you are using a domain name, enter it in the following format: domain\username

Overwrite Behavior

Select what to do if the recovered item conflicts with an existing one:

- **Rename recovered item if such item exists**
- **Skip recovered item if such item exists**
- **Overwrite the original item if such item exists**

Object Recovery Wizard for Microsoft SQL Server

1. Backup 2. Recovery Server 3. Objects 4. Options 5. Finish

Recovery Scope

Recover schema and data
 Recover only schema

Recovery Settings

Recovery type: Recover to custom location

SQL instance: MSSQLSERVER

Path to the local folder: C:\Folder\Subfolder

Overwrite behavior:
Rename recovered item if such item exists
Rename recovered item if such item exists
Skip recovered item if such item exists
Overwrite the original item if such item exists

Recover Cancel

Click **Recover** to start the object recovery process. The **Finish** page opens.

Performing Universal Object Recovery

With [Universal Object Recovery](#) you can choose a disk from a VM recovery point and mount it to a target machine. This will allow you to recover backup data located on the mounted disk. Before creating a Universal Object Recovery job, make sure the [System Requirements](#) for recovering files to a server are met.

Please refer to the following topics for creating a Universal Object Recovery job:

- [“Opening Universal Object Recovery Wizard” on page 892](#)
- [“Universal Object Recovery Wizard: Backup” on page 894](#)
- [“Universal Object Recovery Wizard: Disks” on page 895](#)
- [“Universal Object Recovery Wizard: Options” on page 896](#)

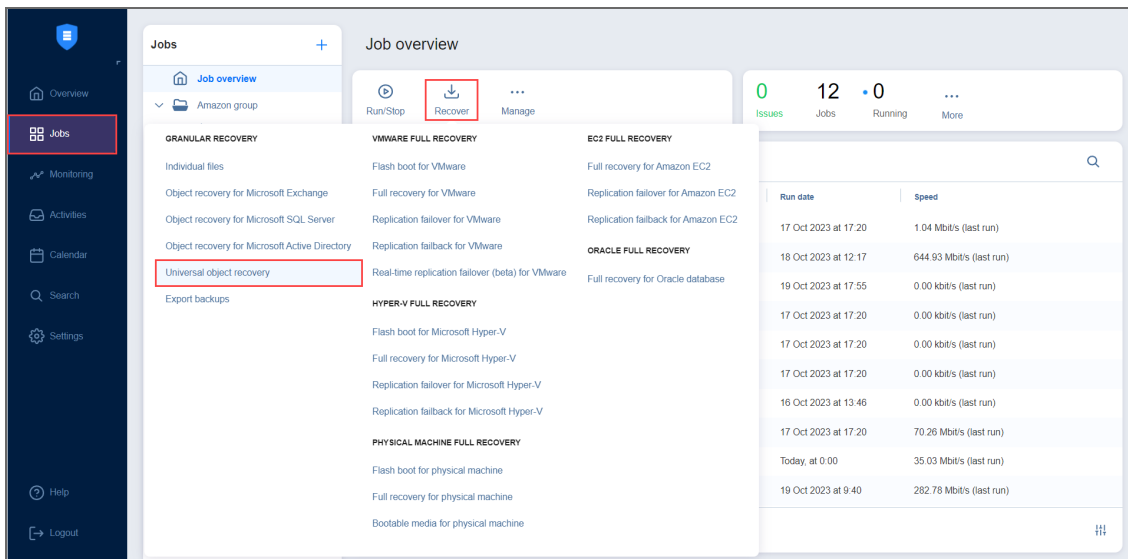
Opening Universal Object Recovery Wizard

You can start the recovery process either from the **Jobs** menu, by using the [Search](#) function, or from the **Repositories** page in **Settings** (for example, if you no longer have a backup job but still have the backup). Refer to the following sections for more details:

- [Starting Universal Object Recovery from Jobs Menu](#)
- [Starting Universal Object Recovery from a Backup Repository](#)

Starting Universal Object Recovery from Jobs Menu

To start Universal object recovery from the **Jobs** menu, click **Recover** and choose **Universal object recovery**.

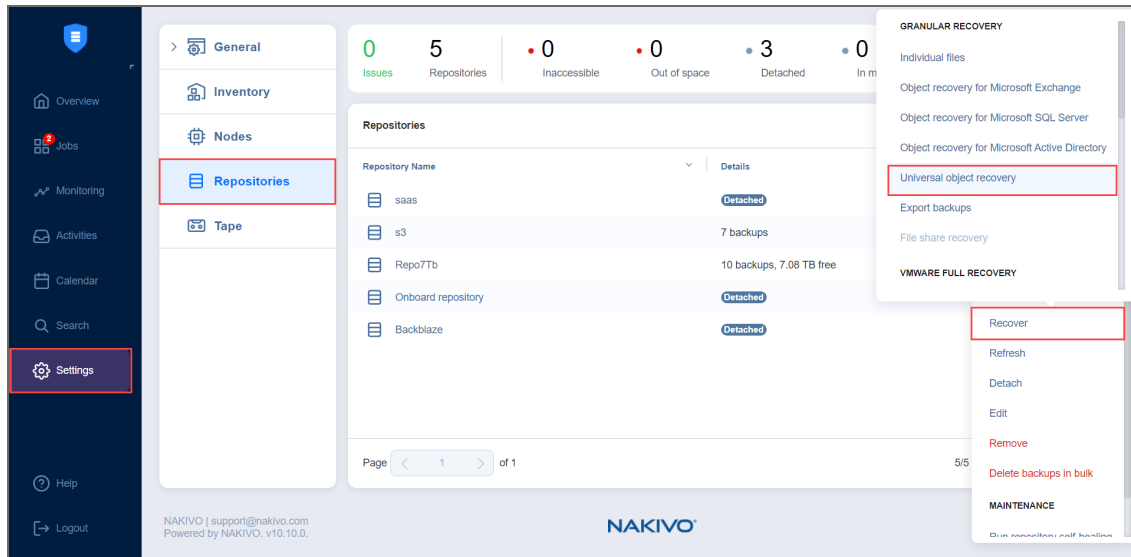


Starting Universal Object Recovery from a Backup Repository

To start Universal object recovery from a **Backup Repository**:

1. Click **Settings** in the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.
2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and hover the cursor over the **Backup Repository** containing the required backup.

3. Click the ellipsis **Manage** button, click **Recover**, and select **Universal Object Recovery**.

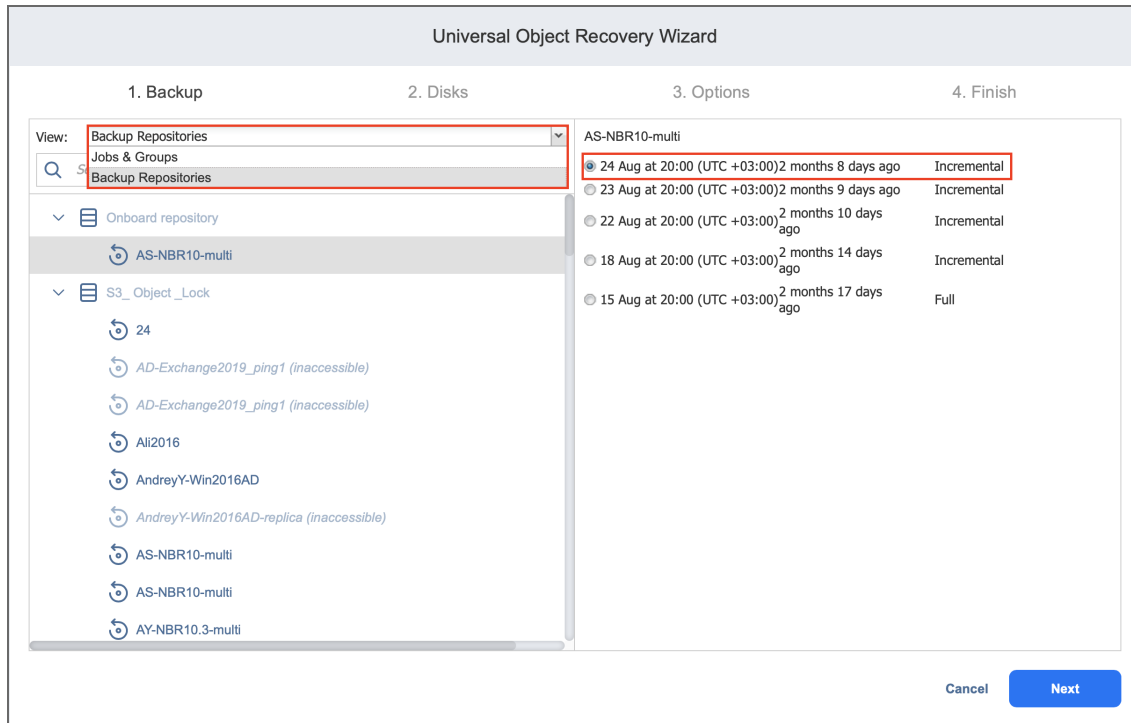


The new **Universal Recovery Job Wizard** opens.

Universal Object Recovery Wizard: Backup

On the **Backup** page of the wizard, do the following:

1. Optionally, you can filter the items tree by entering a string into the **Search** box. You can enter a part of or the entire name of the item.
2. Choose either of the following item views:
 - **Backup Repositories:** When chosen, the **Backup Repositories** tree opens in the left pane. Proceed as follows:
 - a. Expand a repository by clicking the icon to the left of the repository.
 - b. Choose a backup in the left pane and then choose a recovery point in the right pane.
 - **Jobs & Groups:** When chosen, the jobs' tree opens in the left pane. Proceed as follows:
 - a. Expand a job by clicking the icon to the left of the job.
 - b. Choose a backup in the left pane and then choose a recovery point in the right pane.
3. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.



Universal Object Recovery Wizard: Disks

On the **Disks** page of the wizard, choose one or more disks from the list of disks. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Universal Object Recovery Wizard

1. Backup 2. Disks 3. Options 4. Finish

Hard drive 1 (80.0 GB)

Next Cancel

Universal Object Recovery Wizard: Options

In the **Options** page of the wizard:

1. Specify mount location options:

- **Mount location:** Choose the mount location from the drop-down list.

Note

Servers added using Direct Connect are not supported.

- **Location IP address:** Enter the IP address of the server to which the disks will be mounted if it is not detected by the application based on the Mount location value. Here you can enter an IP address of any virtual or physical machine.
 - **Use custom SSH port:** To recover to a Linux server, select this option to enter a custom SSH port to be used for connecting to the recovery server. The default value is 22.
 - **Credentials type:** Choose your preferred option and enter your respective credentials:
 - **Password:** Enter a username with administrative privileges for the file share entered above and your password.
 - **Private key:** Select your private key from the drop-down list.
2. Click the **Test Connection** button to test your credentials for the specified recovery server. If your credentials are correct, a checkmark appears to the right of the button.
3. **Malware detection:** With [this option](#) enabled, the backups are scanned for malware using the configured antivirus software on the scan server.
4. Optionally, if you have selected **Enabled** for the **Malware detection** option, click the **settings** link to configure the following options:
- **Scan server:** Select a specific [scan server](#) for the job or leave the **Default** setting. If **Default** is selected, the Transporter is used as the scan server and can support a maximum of 2 concurrent scan tasks.

Notes

- For the **Default** option, if the **Repository Transporter** is the installed **Transporter**, it requires the master password to function as the scan server.
- For more details on the requirements for Scan Server, refer to the [Feature Requirements](#).

- **Scan type:** Choose between the **Deep scan** and the **Quick scan**:
 - **Deep scan:** When this option is selected, the antivirus software scans the entire backup and may take longer to complete.

- **Quick scan:** When this option is selected, the antivirus software scans only OS disks in the backup.
- **If malware is detected:** Choose the behavior if malware is detected:
 - **Fail recovery:** With this option, the recovery process fails in case the job has only one disks. If the job has several disks, the infected disks are skipped and the job continues to run.
 - **Continue recovery:** When this option is selected, the recovery job completes the scanning process and recovers the infected disks.
- **Scan timeout:** Specify the timeout for the malware detection process. If the specified amount of time is exceeded, the recovery job fails.
- Click **Apply** when you're done.

5. Click **Mount** to confirm mounting your disks to the selected recovery server.

The screenshot shows the 'Universal Object Recovery Wizard' interface. At the top, the title is 'Universal Object Recovery Wizard'. Below the title, there are four steps: '1. Backup', '2. Disks', '3. Options', and '4. Finish'. The '3. Options' step is currently selected. The form contains the following fields and controls:

- Mount location:** A dropdown menu showing 'MS SQL 2016 (dev edition) of latest SP on wi...'.
- Location IP address:** A text input field containing '10.30.24.48'.
- Use custom SSH port:** A checkbox that is checked, with a text input field containing '22'.
- Credentials type:** A dropdown menu showing 'Password'.
- Username:** A dropdown menu showing 'administrator'.
- Password:** A text input field with masked characters (dots).
- Malware detection:** A dropdown menu showing 'Disabled'.

At the bottom left, there is a 'Test Connection' button with a blue checkmark icon. At the bottom right, there are two buttons: 'Cancel' and 'Mount'.

The Universal Object Recovery is started and the **Finish** page of the wizard opens.

6. Click the **Activities** link to go to the **Activities** page if you want to view the progress of the Universal Object Recovery.
7. Click **Close** to close the Universal Object Recovery Wizard. Upon successful Universal Object Recovery, the disks are mounted to the recovery server.

Full Recovery

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can recover an entire VM in case of hardware or VM failure. The VM is recovered in the same state as it was during the backup and it will appear on the host selected for recovery. You can also perform cross-platform recovery that allows you to export virtual disks from VM backups to different formats for further manual recovery of the VMs in different virtual environments.

The Flash boot feature allows you to recover an entire VM from the backup in seconds. This feature makes it possible to boot a VM directly from a compressed and deduplicated backup without recovering the entire VM. The VM can be started in a few seconds, and it can run directly from the backup.

In addition, multiple recovery jobs and/or users may access the same recovery point even if it is currently in use by an existing recovery job/session.

For more details, refer to the corresponding articles below:

- [“Performing Flash boot Recovery” on page 936](#)
- [“VMware VM Recovery” on page 899](#)
- [“Starting Recovery from Tape” on page 933](#)
- [“Performing Cross-Platform Recovery” on page 927](#)

VMware VM Recovery

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can recover full VMs from backups. Multiple VMs can be recovered within a single recovery job—the system allows you to select separate resources (containers, datastores, networks, and folders) for different VMs or to restore all VMs using the same setup. When you run VM recovery, a new VM is created; the source VM is not reverted to a previous state or replaced with the new VM.

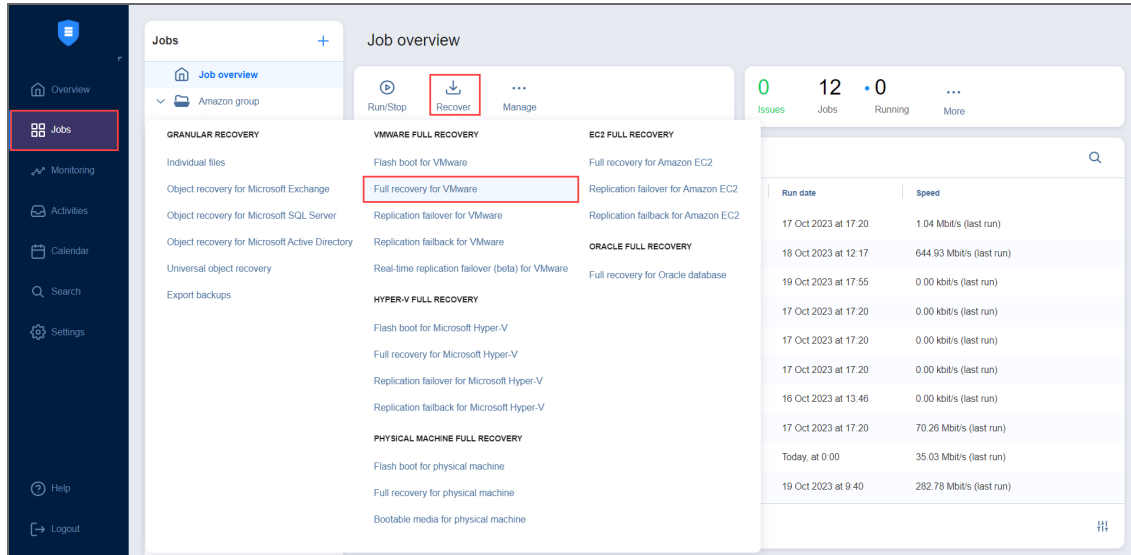
Refer to the following topics for more information:

- [“Starting VMware VM Recovery” on page 900](#)
- [“Recovery Job Wizard for VMware: Backups” on page 902](#)
- [“Recovery Job Wizard for VMware: Destination” on page 903](#)
- [“Recovery Job Wizard for VMware: Options” on page 907](#)

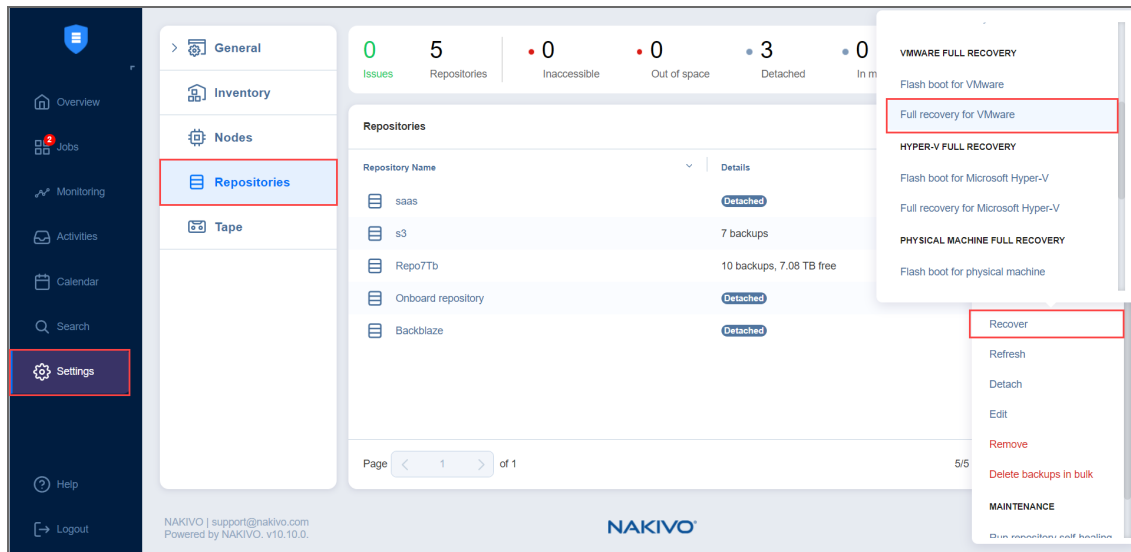
Starting VMware VM Recovery

To recover entire VMware VMs from backups, do one of the following:

- Start recovery from the **Jobs** menu by clicking **Recover** and then clicking **Full recovery for VMware**.



- Open the **New Full Recovery Job Wizard for VMware** from the **Repositories** tab by following the steps below:
 1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
 2. Go to the **Repositories** tab.
 3. Hover over the **Backup Repository** containing the needed backup, click the ellipsis **Manage** button, and click **Recover**.
 4. Click **Full recovery for VMware** under **VMware Full Recovery**.



- Open the **New Full Recovery Job Wizard** from the **Tape** tab by following the steps below:

1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
 2. Go to the **Tape** tab and click **Backups**.
 3. Select the necessary VMware VM backups.
 4. Click the **Recover** button.
- Alternatively, the recovery can be performed by using the [Search](#) function.

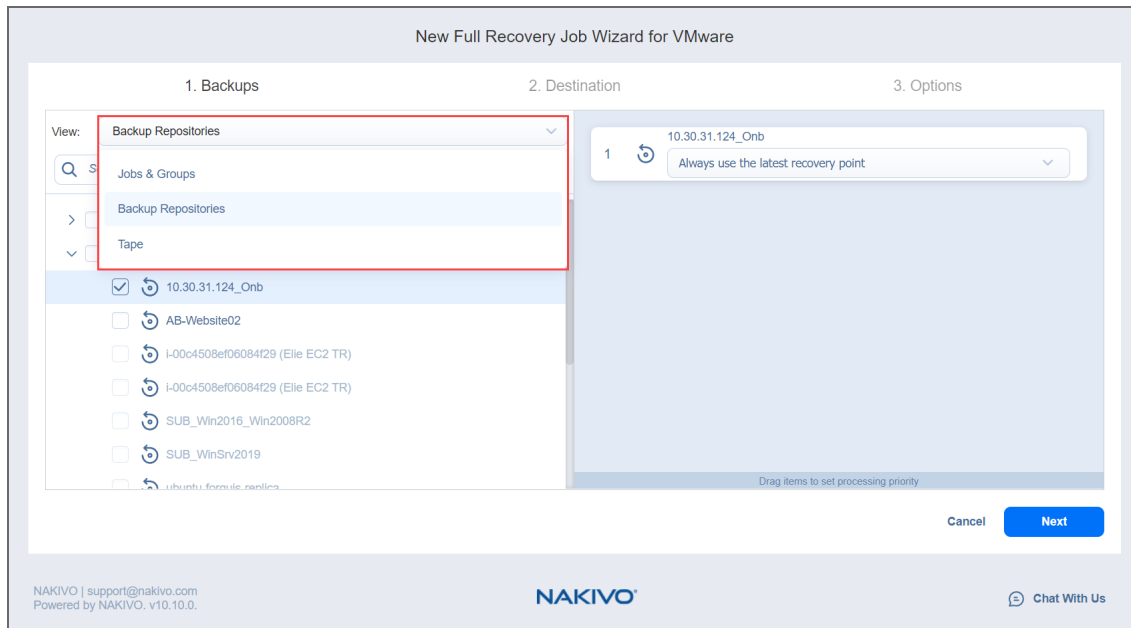
The **Full Recovery Job Wizard for VMware** opens.

Recovery Job Wizard for VMware: Backups

On the **Backups** page of the wizard, proceed as follows:

1. Select one of the following views:
 - **Jobs & Groups:** In this view, do the following:
 - a. Select one or more VM or VM template backups in the left pane.
 - b. Select a recovery point for each backup in the right pane.
 - **Backup Repositories:** In this view, do the following:
 - a. Select one or more backup repositories in the left pane.
 - b. Select a recovery point for each backup in the right pane.
 - **Tape:** In this view, do the following:
 - a. Select one or more tape backups in the left pane.
 - b. Select a recovery point for each backup in the right pane.

You can search for a specific backup, job, group, or repository (depending on the selected view) by entering its name into the **Search** field.



2. Click **Next** to go to the next step.

Recovery Job Wizard for VMware: Destination

On the **Destination** page of the wizard, select a location for the recovered VMs or VM templates. Proceed as described in these sections:

- [Setting the Same Host, Datastore, and Network for All Recovered VMs](#)
- [Setting Original Location for All Recovered VMs](#)
- [Setting Backup Repository as Destination](#)
- [Setting the Default Destination for Recovered VMs](#)
- [Setting Different Options for Recovered VMs](#)

Note

When recovering a VMware VM from an ESXi 8.0 host to an ESXi 7.0 host, the **VirtualMachineConfigSpec > VirtualMachineSgxInfo** property is skipped.

Setting the Same Host, Datastore, and Network for All Recovered VMs

To recover all VMs or VM templates to the same container/folder and datastore, and to connect all recovered VMs to the same networks, follow the steps below:

1. If you selected a tape backup on the **Backups** page, select **New VM(s)** in the **Recover to** drop-down list. Otherwise, proceed directly to step 2.
2. Choose a cluster, host, or resource pool from the **Container** drop-down list.
3. Choose a datastore from the **Datastore** drop-down list.
4. Choose a network from the **Network** drop-down list.
5. Optionally, you can choose a folder if there is one in the container.

New Full Recovery Job Wizard for VMware

1. Backups 2. Destination 3. Options

Container: 10.30.21.25

Datastore: 10.30.21.25-ssd0

Network: 10.30.22.0

VM folder: Select target VM folder (optional)

Advanced setup...

Cancel Next

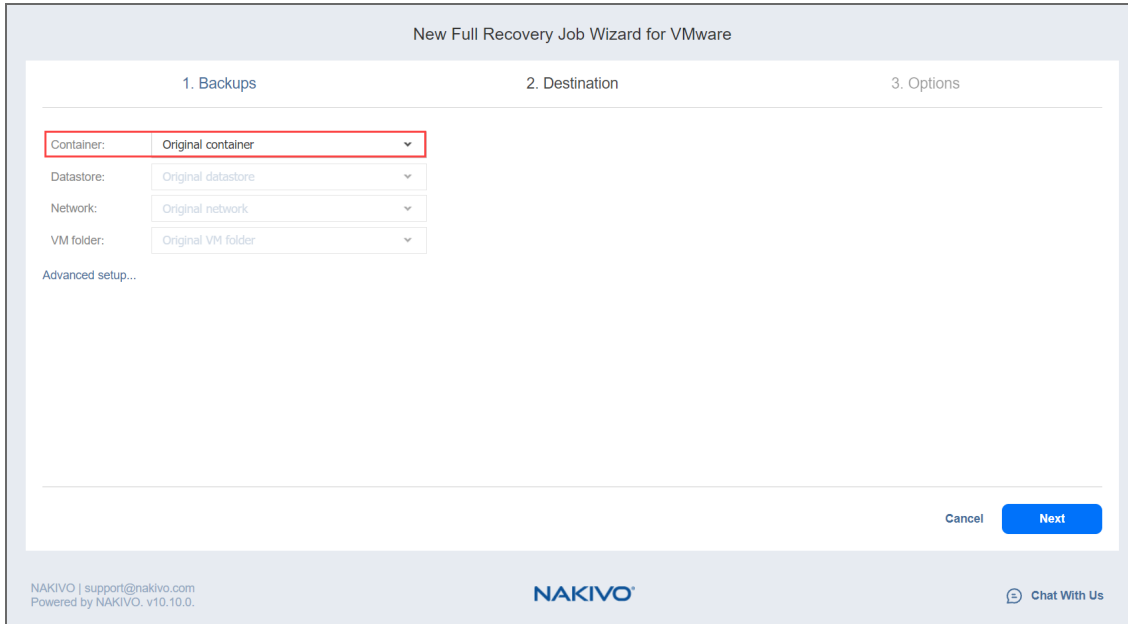
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Setting Original Location for All Recovered VMs

To recover VMs or VM templates to their original location, select **Original container** from the **Container** drop-down list and click **Next**.



The screenshot shows the 'New Full Recovery Job Wizard for VMware' interface. The wizard is currently on step 1, 'Backups'. The 'Container' dropdown menu is highlighted with a red box and set to 'Original container'. Other dropdown menus include 'Datastore: Original datastore', 'Network: Original network', and 'VM folder: Original VM folder'. A 'Next' button is visible at the bottom right of the wizard. The footer of the wizard includes the NAKIVO logo and contact information.

Important

If the location of the VMs or VM templates is unknown or unavailable, you will have to configure it manually via **Advanced options**.

Setting Backup Repository as Destination

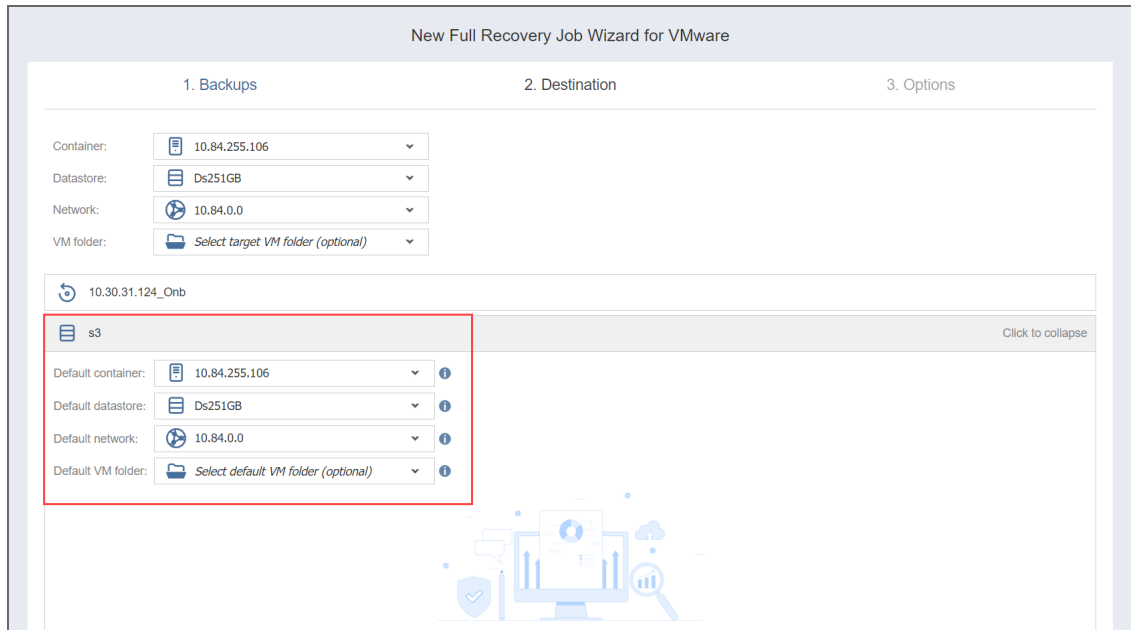
If you selected a tape backup on the **Backups** page, you have the additional option of recovering to an existing **Backup Repository**. To do so, select **Backup Repository** from the **Recover to** drop-down menu and choose the appropriate repository from the **Repository** drop-down menu below.

Setting the Default Destination for Recovered VMs

If you have chosen a host, cluster, folder, or a **Backup Repository** as a source for your recovery job on the **Backups** page, you can set the default container, datastore, and VM folder for the recovered VMs or VM templates. To do this, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Advanced setup** and then click on the name of the chosen host, cluster, folder, or a resource pool.
2. If you selected a tape backup on the **Backups** page, select **New VM(s)** in the **Recover to** drop-down list. Otherwise, proceed to the next step.
3. Choose a **Default container**.
4. If you have chosen the backup job on the **Source** page, you can choose a **Default Network**.

5. Optionally, you can also choose a **Default VM folder**.








Setting Different Options for Recovered VMs

To specify different options for recovered VMs or VM templates, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Advanced setup**.
2. Click on the backup to expand its recovery options.
3. If you selected a tape backup on the **Backups** page, select **New VM(s)** or **Backup Repository** in the **Recover to** drop-down list. Otherwise, proceed to the next step.
4. Choose a target location, target datastore, and target network for each VM.
5. To get additional information about the source and target VMs within a backup, click on its name.

6. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

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Source	Target
VM location: NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100	Container:  10.30.21.28 ▼
VM resources: 2 CPU, 4.0 GB RAM	Virtual Machine: <i>A new VM will be created</i> ▼
	VM folder: <i>Select target VM folder (optional)</i> ▼
Disks	Disks
Hard disk 1: NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100 (30.0 GB)	Hard disk 1: <i>Select target datastore</i> ▼
VM file: NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100	VM file: <i>Select target datastore</i> ▼
Network adapters	Network adapters
Network adapter 1	Network adapter 1: <i>Select target network</i> ▼
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AB-Website02 Click to collapse	
Source	Target
VM location: NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100	Container:  10.84.255.106 ▼
VM resources: 4 CPU, 4.0 GB RAM	Virtual Machine: <i>A new VM will be created</i> ▼
	VM folder: <i>Select target VM folder (optional)</i> ▼
Disks	Disks
Hard disk 1: NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100 (20.0 GB)	Hard disk 1:  Ds251GB ▼
VM file: NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100	VM file:  Ds251GB ▼
Network adapters	Network adapters
Network adapter 1	Network adapter 1:  10.84.0.0 ▼

Recovery Job Wizard for VMware: Options

On the **Options** page of the wizard, set the recovery job options.

- [“Job Options” below](#)
- [“Recovered VM Options” on page 909](#)
- [“Pre and Post Actions” on page 910](#)
 - [“Setting a Pre-Job Script” on page 910](#)
 - [“Setting a Post-Job Script” on page 911](#)
 - [“Email Notifications” on page 912](#)
- [“Data Transfer” on page 912](#)
 - [“Transport Mode” on page 913](#)
 - [“Transporter Pool” on page 913](#)
 - [“Transporters” on page 913](#)
 - [“Transporter Load” on page 914](#)
 - [“Bandwidth Throttling” on page 914](#)
 - [“Multi-Channel Processing” on page 914](#)
 - [“Bottleneck Detection” on page 915](#)
- [“Completing the New Recovery Job Wizard for VMware” on page 915](#)

Job Options

Specify the general options as follows:

1. **Job name:** Specify a name for the recovery job.
2. **Job priority:** Select a job priority level between 1 and 5, with 1 being the highest priority. Jobs with higher priority levels are prioritized by **Transporters** during job processing.

Note

This option is only available in the Enterprise, Enterprise Essentials, Enterprise Plus, MSP Enterprise, and MSP Enterprise Plus editions.

3. **Network acceleration:** With [network acceleration](#) enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication uses compression and traffic reduction techniques to speed up data transfer. Enable this option if you plan to recover VMs over WAN or slow LAN links.
4. **Network encryption:** With [network encryption](#) enabled, VM data is protected with AES 256 encryption while traveling over the network. Data encryption increases the backup time and CPU load on machines running **Transporters**. Select this option when recovering over WAN without a VPN connection.

5. **Malware detection:** With [this option](#) enabled, the backups are scanned for malware using the configured antivirus software on the scan server.
6. Optionally, if you have selected **Enabled** for the **Malware detection** option, click the **settings** link to configure the following options:
 - **Scan server:** Select a specific [scan server](#) for the job or leave the **Default** setting. If **Default** is selected, the Transporter is used as the scan server and can support a maximum of 2 concurrent scan tasks.

Notes

- For the **Default** option, if the **Repository Transporter** is the installed **Transporter**, it requires the master password to function as the scan server.
- For more details on the requirements for Scan Server, refer to the [Feature Requirements](#).

- **Scan type:** Choose between the **Deep scan** and the **Quick scan**:
 - **Deep scan:** When this option is selected, the antivirus software scans the entire backup and may take longer to complete.
 - **Quick scan:** When this option is selected, the antivirus software scans only OS disks in the backup.
- **If malware is detected:** Choose the behavior if malware is detected:
 - **Fail the recovery job:** With this option, the recovery process fails in case the job has only one VM. If the job has several VMs, the infected VMs are skipped and the job continues to run.
 - **Continue and recover to isolated network:** When this option is selected, the recovery job completes the scanning process and recovers the infected VMs to a temporary isolated network.
- **Scan timeout:** Specify the timeout for the malware detection process. If the specified amount of time is exceeded, the recovery job fails.
- Click **Apply** when you're done.

New Full Recovery Job Wizard for VMware

1. Backups 2. Destination 3. Options

Job Options

Job name: Full recovery job for VMware

Job priority: 5

Network acceleration: Disabled

Network encryption: Disabled

Malware detection: Disabled

Recovered VM Options

Recovery mode: Synthetic

Recovered VM names: Append "-recovered" in the end

VM disks: Respect original VM disk type

VM MAC addresses: Do not generate new MAC address

VM power on: Power on recovered VMs

Pre and Post Actions

Send job run reports to: admin@nakivo.com

Run local pre job script

Run local post job script

Data Transfer

Transport mode: Automatic selection

Transporter pool: Select transporter pool

Transporters: Automatic selection

Limit transporter load to: 3 concurrent tasks

Bandwidth throttling: Disabled

Bottleneck detection

Use multi-channel processing: 32 channels per disk

Cancel Finish Finish & Run

Recovered VM Options

Specify the recovery options as follows:

1. **Recovery mode:** Choose one of the following:

- **Synthetic:** With this recovery mode, the VMs are recovered with the environmental dependencies (such as CPU affinity) removed. Select this option when recovering VMs to a new location.
- **Production:** With this recovery mode, environment dependencies are preserved on recovered VMs. Make sure the location to which the VMs are recovered does not contain the original VMs, otherwise, UUID and MAC address conflicts may occur.

2. **Recovered VM names:** Choose one of the following:

- **Append "-recovered" in the end:** Source VM names are used for recovered VM names and "-recovered" is added after the name of the recovered VMs.
- **Leave recovered VM names as is:** Recovered VM names are identical to the source VM names.
- **Enter custom recovered VM names:** You can enter custom names for recovered VMs.

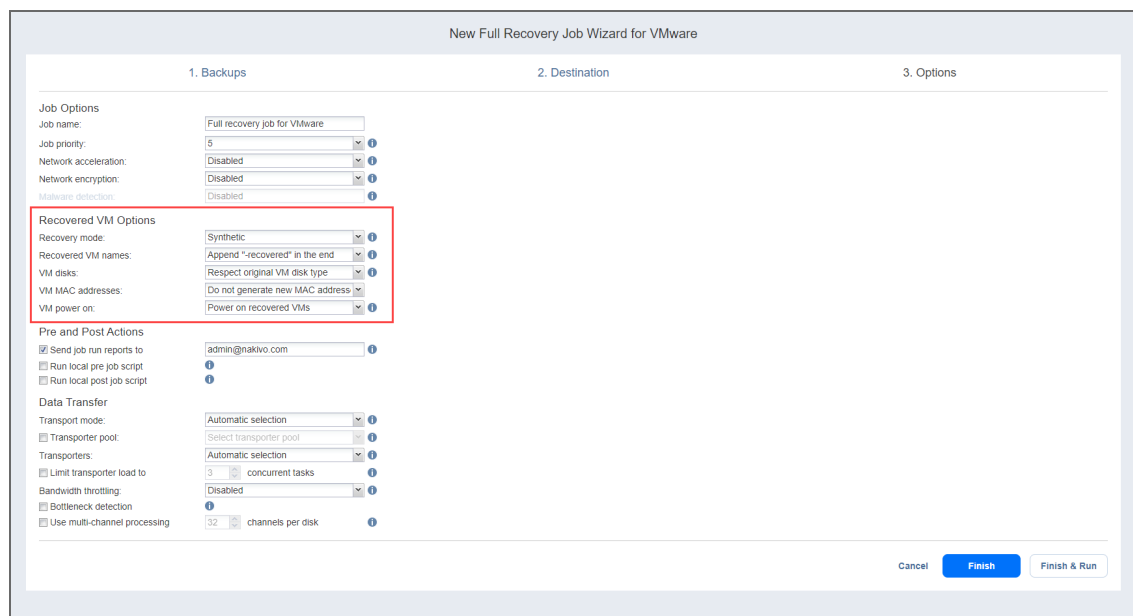
3. **VM disks:** Choose one of the following:

- **Respect original VM disk type:** When specified, disks that respect the original VM disk type are created on target VMs. Select this option to recover VMs to their original location.
- **Create only thin disks on target VMs:** When specified, only thin disks are created on target VMs. Use this option to save space on the target datastore.

4. **VM MAC addresses:** Choose one of the following:

- **Do not generate new MAC addresses:** When this option is selected, the recovered VM has the same MAC address as the source VM.

- **Generate new MAC addresses:** When this option is selected, a new MAC address is generated for the recovered VM.
5. **VM power on:** When the **Power on recovered VMs** option is selected, the recovered VMs are powered on.



Pre and Post Actions

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to [run a script](#) before VM recovery begins (a pre-job script) and after the recovery of all VMs in the job has completed (a post-job script). The scripts can only be executed on the machine on which the **Director** is installed.

Setting a Pre-Job Script

To run a script before the product begins recovering VMs, do the following:

1. Place a script file on the machine on which the **Director** is installed.
2. Select the **Run local pre job script** option and click the **settings** link.
3. Specify the following parameters in the dialog box that opens:
 - **Script path:** Specify a local path to the script on the machine on which the **Director** is installed. A script interpreter should be specified.

Example (Windows): `cmd.exe /c D:\script.bat`

Example (Linux): `bash /root/script.sh`

- **Job behavior:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script completion:
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, VM backup is started only after the script is completed.

- **Do not wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, the product runs the script and starts backing up VMs at the same time.
- **Error handling:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script failure:
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** With this option selected, the job performs VM backup even if the script has failed.
 - **Fail the job on script failure:** With this option selected, if the script fails, the job is failed and VM backup is not performed.

Setting a Post-Job Script

To run a script after the product has finished backing up all VMs, do the following:

1. Place a script file on the machine on which the **Director** is installed.
2. Select the **Run local post job script** option and click the **settings** link.
3. Specify the following parameters in the dialog box that opens:
 - **Script path:** Specify a local path to the script on the machine on which the **Director** is installed. A script interpreter should be specified.

Example (Windows): `cmd.exe /c D:\script.bat`

Example (Linux): `bash /root/script.sh`

- **Job behavior:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script completion:
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, the job is in the “running” state until the script is completed.
 - **Do not wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, the job is completed even if the script execution is still in progress.
- **Error handling:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script failure:
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** With this option selected, script failure does not influence the status of the job.
 - **Fail the job on script failure:** With this option selected, if the script fails, the job

status is set to “failed” even if VM backup is successful.

New Full Recovery Job Wizard for VMware

1. Backups 2. Destination 3. Options

Job Options

Job name: Full recovery job for VMware

Job priority: 5

Network acceleration: Disabled

Network encryption: Disabled

Malware detection: Disabled

Recovered VM Options

Recovery mode: Synthetic

Recovered VM names: Append “-recovered” in the end

VM disks: Respect original VM disk type

VM MAC addresses: Do not generate new MAC address

VM power on: Power on recovered VMs

Pre and Post Actions

Send job run reports to admin@nakivo.com

Run local pre job script

Run local post job script

Data Transfer

Transport mode: Automatic selection

Transporter pool: Select transporter pool

Transmitters: Automatic selection

Limit transporter load to: 3 concurrent tasks

Bandwidth throttling: Disabled

Bottleneck detection

Use multi-channel processing: 32 channels per disk

Cancel Finish Finish & Run

Email Notifications

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can send email notifications about job completion status to specified recipients. This feature complements global notifications and allows you to configure notifications on a per-job level.

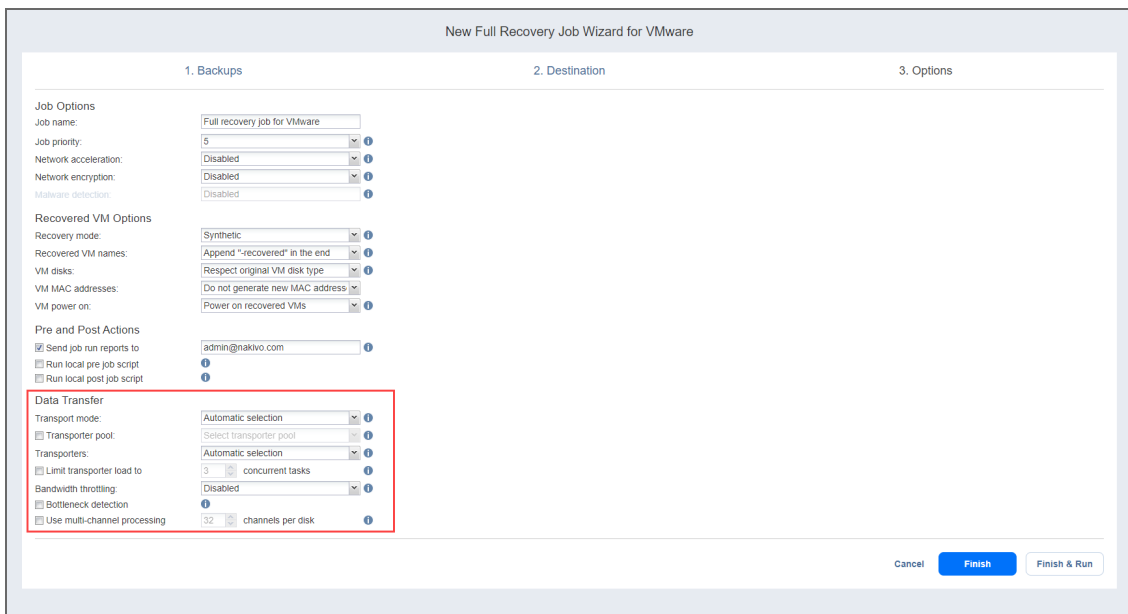
To enable this option, make sure that [Email settings](#) are configured.

To send email notifications, do the following:

1. In the *Pre and Post Actions* section, select the **Send job run reports to**.
2. Specify one or more email addresses in the text box. Use semicolons to separate multiple email addresses.

Data Transfer

In the *Data Transfer* section, choose a transport mode for writing VM data, select which **Transporter** to be used for reading data from the source VM, and set [bandwidth throttling](#).



Transport Mode

NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides the following transport modes for writing VM data:

- **Automatic:** When this option is chosen, Hot Add mode is used where possible. If the product cannot use Hot Add, LAN mode is used.
- **Hot Add only:** NAKIVO Backup & Replication can write data directly to the datastore, bypassing the network, which can significantly improve job performance. This is achieved with the help of VMware's [Hot Add technology](#). In order for the Hot Add feature to work, the target **Transporter** (the one that will be writing data) should run on a host that has access to the target datastore(s).
- **LAN only:** Data will be written over LAN.

Transporter Pool

If this option is enabled, only the transporters that belong to the selected transporter pool shall be used during the job run.

Transporters

By default, the product automatically determines which **Transporter** should be used to read data from the source VM. However, you can manually specify which **Transporters** should be used for the job:

- **Automatic selection:** The product automatically determines the **Transporters** that are closest to the source and target hosts.
- **Manual - configured for all VMs:** Select this option to manually specify a single source and a single target **Transporter** to be used for data transfer by the job.
- **Manual - configured per host:** Select this option to manually specify **Transporters** for all source and target hosts.

Transporter Load

You can limit the maximum number of transporter tasks used by the job. By default, this number is set to 3 concurrent tasks.

To change the default number of tasks, do the following:

1. In the **Data Transfer** section, select the **Limit transporter load to** checkbox.
2. Specify the number of concurrent tasks in the corresponding box.

Bandwidth Throttling

Follow the steps below to set the speed of data transfer over the network for your recovery job:

1. For the **Bandwidth throttling** option, choose **Enabled**.

Note

If bandwidth throttling is disabled for the current job, global bandwidth rules may still apply to your job. Refer to [Bandwidth Throttling](#) for details.

2. Click the **Settings** link that becomes available.
3. The **Job Bandwidth Rules** dialog box opens displaying the list of available rules. You have the following options:
 - Create a new bandwidth rule for your recovery job:
 1. Click the **Create New Rule** button.
 2. The **New Bandwidth Rule** dialog box opens. Refer to the [“Bandwidth Throttling” on page 355](#) topic for details on creating a bandwidth rule.
 3. Click **Save**.
 - **Activate an existing bandwidth rule for your job:** Select the checkbox to the left of the required bandwidth rule. To deactivate a bandwidth rule for your job, deselect the corresponding checkbox.
 - **Edit a bandwidth rule:** Click the **Edit** link for a bandwidth rule and modify it in the **Edit Bandwidth Rule** dialog box that opens.
 - **Disable a bandwidth rule:** Click the **Disable** link. The bandwidth rule is disabled for all jobs.
 - **Remove a bandwidth rule:** Click the **Remove** link and then click **Delete** to confirm your operation.

Multi-Channel Processing

When this option is enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication performs recovery in multiple channels simultaneously, which can increase recovery speed. Specify the number of threads in the # channels per disk field.

Important

- The **Transporter** needs to have at least 2 CPU cores and 8 GB RAM available to perform recovery in multiple channels.
- Multi-channel processing is not supported for items added using **Direct Connect**.

Bottleneck Detection

When the **Bottleneck detection** option is enabled, additional information is collected and recorded in NAKIVO Backup & Replication logs in the course of data transfer for the purpose of bottleneck detection. Check this option to enable the **Bottleneck detection** capability of the **Transporters** engaged in the job.

Completing the New Recovery Job Wizard for VMware

Click **Finish** or **Finish & Run** to complete the job creation.

Note

If you click **Finish & Run**, you will have to define the scope of your job. Refer to [“Running Jobs on Demand” on page 317](#) for details.

VMware Cloud Director Recovery

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can recover VMware Cloud Director objects from backups. The recovery can be performed either for individual VMs or for vApps which may contain one or more VMs. When you run VM recovery, a new VM is created; the source VM is not reverted to a previous state or replaced with the new VM.

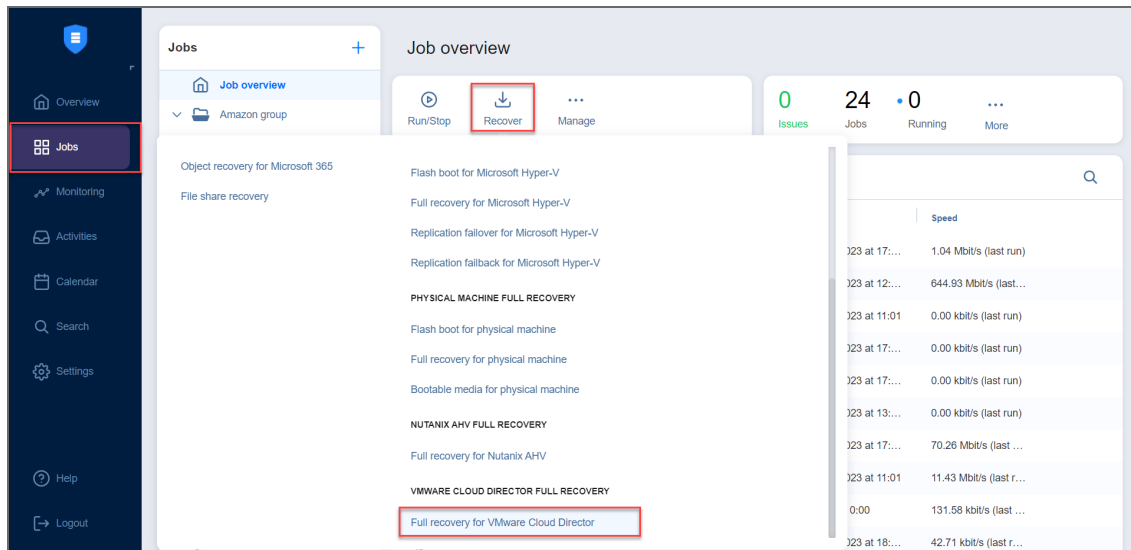
Refer to the following topics for more information:

- [“Starting VMware Cloud Director Recovery” below](#)
- [“Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director: Object” on page 918](#)
- [“Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director: Backups” on page 917](#)
- [“Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director: Destination” on page 917](#)
- [“Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director: Options” on page 919](#)

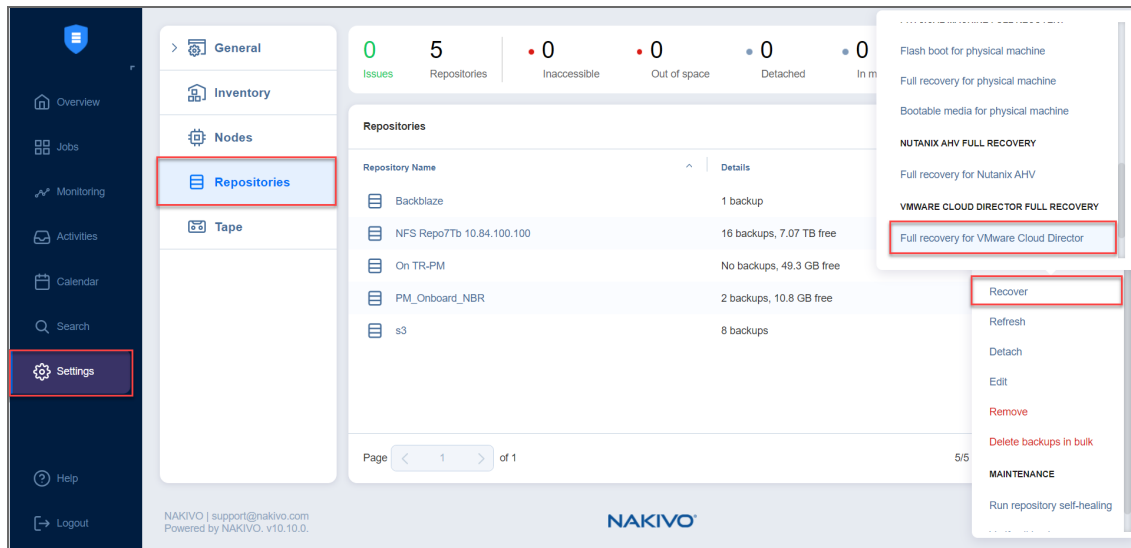
Starting VMware Cloud Director Recovery

To recover all VMware Cloud Director objects from backups, do one of the following:

- Start recovery from the **Jobs** menu by clicking **Recover** and then clicking **Full recovery for VMware Cloud Director**.



- Open the **New Full Recovery Job Wizard** from the **Repositories** tab by following the steps below:
 1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
 2. Go to the **Repositories** tab.
 3. Hover over the **Backup Repository** containing the needed backup, click the ellipsis **Manage** button, and click **Recover**.
 4. Click **Full recovery for VMware Cloud Director** under **VMware Cloud Director Full Recovery**.



- Open the **New Full Recovery Job Wizard** from the **Tape** tab by following the steps below:
 1. From the main menu of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, click **Settings**.
 2. Go to the **Tape** tab and click **Backups**.
 3. Select the necessary VMware Cloud Director backups.
 4. Click the **Recover** button.
- Alternatively, the recovery can be performed by using the [search](#) function.

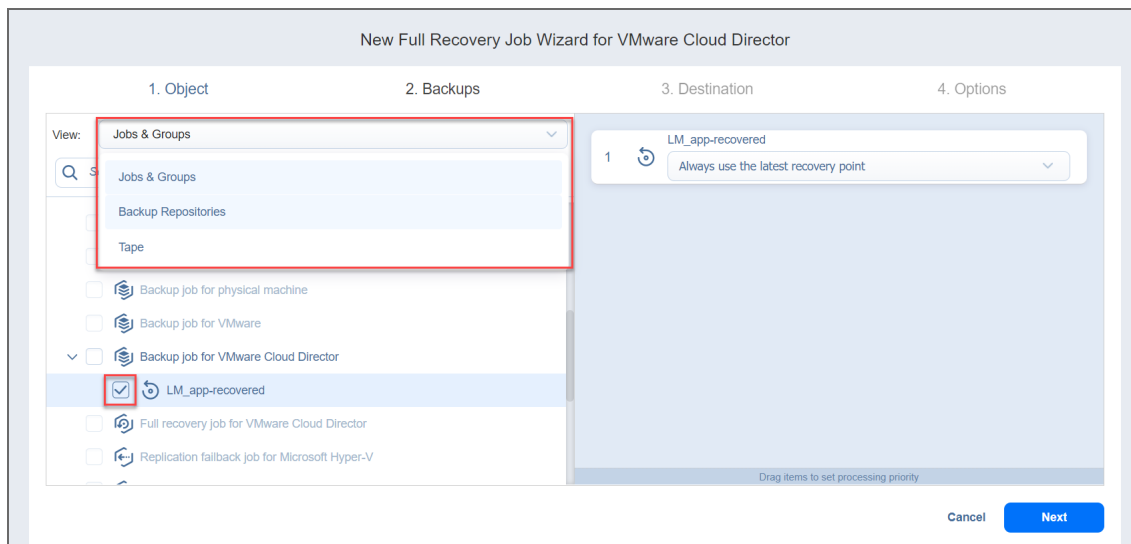
The **New Full Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director** opens.

Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director: Backups

On the **Backups** page of the wizard, proceed as follows:

1. Select one of the following views:
 - **Jobs & Groups:** In this view, do the following:
 - a. Select one or more VM or VM template backups in the left pane.
 - b. Select a recovery point for each backup in the right pane.
 - **Backup Repositories:** In this view, do the following:
 - a. Select one or more **Backup Repositories** in the left pane.
 - b. Select a recovery point for each backup in the right pane.
 - **Tape:** In this view, do the following:
 - a. Select one or more tape backups in the left pane.
 - b. Select a recovery point for each backup in the right pane.

You can search for a specific backup, job, group, or repository (depending on the selected View) by entering its name into the Search field.



2. Click **Next** to go to the next page.

Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director: Destination

On the **Destination** page of the wizard, select a location for the recovered objects. Proceed as follows:

1. Choose the VMware Cloud Director server, underlying Organization or Virtual Datacenter from the **Container** drop-down list.

Note

If you chose a tape backup in the **Backups** step of the wizard, the **Backup Repository** is automatically selected in the **Recover to** drop-down list. Choose the required repository in the **Repository** drop-down list below.

2. Choose a vApp from the **vApp** drop-down list. Note that this option is disabled if you selected **vApp** on the [Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director: Object](#) page.
3. Choose a network from the **Network** drop-down list.
4. Select the **Storage Policy** from the drop-down list.
5. Optionally, select **Advanced setup** to configure the destination options for each separate recovered object. Proceed as follows:
 - If you selected **Virtual machine** on the **Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director: Object** page, configure the options described above for each individual VM.
 - If you selected **vApp** on the **Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director: Object** page, select the following:
 - a. Select the container for each vApp.
 - b. Choose the target organization VCD network for each source organization VCD network.
 - c. If the vApp contains VMs, choose a storage policy for each individual VM.
6. Click **Next** to proceed.

The screenshot displays the 'New Full Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director' interface, specifically the '1. Object' step. The wizard is divided into four sections: 1. Object, 2. Backups, 3. Destination, and 4. Options. In the '1. Object' section, there are three dropdown menus: 'Container' (set to 'Test'), 'Storage Policy' (set to 'Select target storage policy'), and 'Network' (set to 'Select target network'). Below these, a vApp named 'LM_app-recovered (0 VMs)' is selected. A red box highlights the vApp's target configuration, which is shown in a collapsed view. The target configuration includes: 'Container' (set to 'Test'), 'vApp' (set to 'A new vApp will be created'), 'Storage Policies', and 'Organization VDC Networks' (set to 'test-nw-01: Select target network'). At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons, with 'Next' being highlighted in blue.

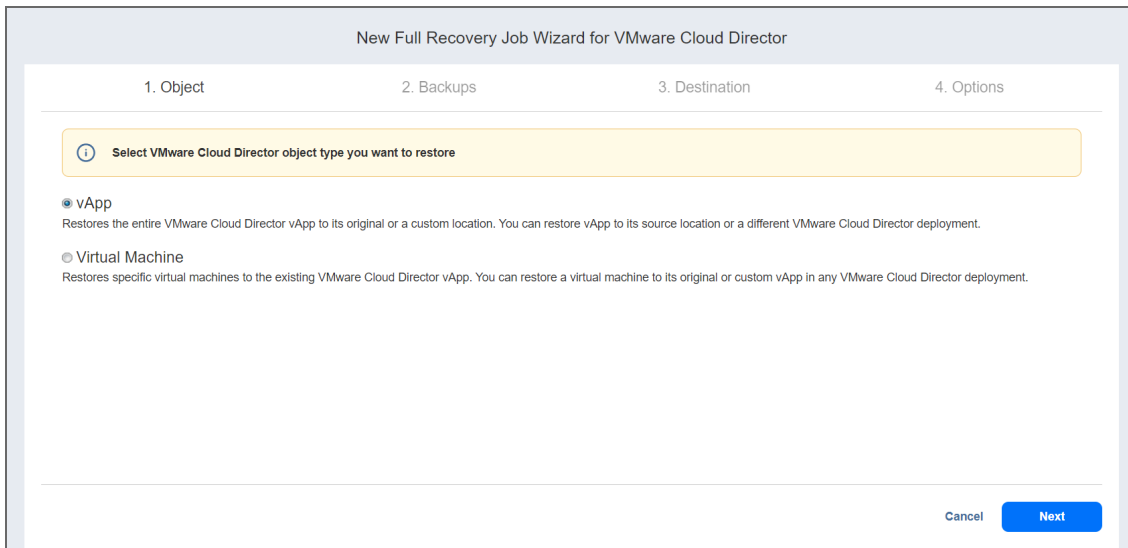
Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director: Object

On this page of the wizard you can select which VMware Cloud Director object type you want to recover. Choose one of the following:

- **vApp**: Choosing this option allows you to recover the entire VMware Cloud Director vApp to its original or a custom location.

- **Virtual machine:** Choosing this option allows you to recover specific VMs to their original or a custom location.

Click **Next** to proceed.



Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director: Options

On the **Options** page of the wizard, set the recovery job options. Proceed as described in these sections:

- [Job Options](#)
- [Recovered Object Options](#)
- [Pre and Post Job Actions](#)
- [Data Transfer](#)
- [“Completing the New Full Recovery Job Wizard for VMware” on page 926](#)

Job Options

Specify the general options as follows:

- **Job name:** Specify a name for the recovery job.
- **Job priority:** Select a job priority level between 1 and 5, with 1 being the highest priority. Jobs with higher priority levels are prioritized by **Transporters** during job processing.

Note

This option is only available in the Enterprise, Enterprise Essentials, Enterprise Plus, MSP Enterprise, and MSP Enterprise Plus editions.

- **Network acceleration:** With [network acceleration](#) enabled, NAKIVO Backup & Replication uses compression and traffic reduction techniques to speed up data transfer. Enable this option if you plan to recover objects over WAN or slow LAN links.

- **Network encryption:** With [network encryption](#) enabled, the data is protected with AES 256 encryption while traveling over the network. Data encryption increases the backup time and CPU load on machines running **Transporters**. Select this option when recovering over WAN without a VPN connection.
- **Malware detection** With [this option](#) enabled, the backups are scanned for malware using the configured antivirus software on the scan server.
- Optionally, if you have selected **Enabled** for the **Malware detection** option, click the **settings** link to configure the following options:
 - **Scan server:** Select a specific [scan server](#) for the job or leave the **Default** setting. If **Default** is selected, the Transporter is used as the scan server and can support a maximum of 2 concurrent scan tasks.

Notes

- For the **Default** option, if the **Repository Transporter** is the installed **Transporter**, it requires the master password to function as the scan server.
- For more details on the requirements for Scan Server, refer to the [Feature Requirements](#).

- **Scan type:** Choose between the **Deep scan** and the **Quick scan**:
 - **Deep scan:** When this option is selected, the antivirus software scans the entire backup and may take longer to complete.
 - **Quick scan:** When this option is selected, the antivirus software scans only OS disks in the backup.
- **If malware is detected:** Choose the behavior if malware is detected:
 - **Fail the recovery job:** With this option, the recovery process fails in case the job has only one VM/vApp. If the job has several VMs/vApps, the infected VMs/vApps are skipped and the job continues to run.
 - **Continue and recover to isolated network:** When this option is selected, the recovery job completes the scanning process and recovers the infected VMs/vApps to a temporary isolated network.
- **Scan timeout:** Specify the timeout for the malware detection process. If the specified amount of time is exceeded, the recovery job fails.
- Click **Apply** when you're done.

New Full Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director

1. Object 2. Backups 3. Destination 4. Options

Job Options

Job name:

Job priority:

Network acceleration:

Network encryption:

Malware detection:

Recovered Object Options

Recovery mode:

Recovered vApp names:

vApp power on:

VM disks:

VM MAC addresses:

Pre and Post Actions

Send job run reports to

Run local pre job script

Run local post job script

Data Transfer

Transport mode:

Transporter pool:

Transporters:

Limit transporter load to

Bandwidth throttling:

Cancel **Finish** Finish & Run

Recovered Object Options

Specify the recovery options as follows:

1. **Recovery mode:** Choose one of the following:

- **Synthetic:** With this recovery mode, the objects are recovered with the environmental dependencies (such as CPU affinity) removed. Select this option when recovering objects to a new location.
- **Production:** With this recovery mode, environment dependencies are preserved on recovered objects. Make sure the location to which the objects are recovered does not contain the original objects, otherwise, UUID and MAC address conflicts may occur.

2. **Recovered VM/vApp names:** Choose one of the following:

- **Append "-recovered" in the end:** Source VM/vApp names are used for recovered VM/vApp names and "-recovered" is added after the name of the recovered VMs/vApps.
- **Leave recovered VM/vApp names as is:** Recovered VM/vApp names are identical to the source VM/vApp names.
- **Enter custom recovered VM names:** You can enter custom names for recovered VMs/vApps.

3. **VM disks:** Choose one of the following:

- **Respect original VM disk type:** When specified, disks that respect the original VM disk type are created on target VMs. Select this option to recover VMs to their original location.
- **Create only thin disks on target VMs:** When specified, only thin disks are created on target VMs. Use this option to save space on the target datastore.

4. **VM MAC addresses:** Choose one of the following:

- **Do not generate new MAC addresses:** When this option is selected, the recovered VM has the same MAC address as the source VM.
- **Generate new MAC addresses:** When this option is selected, a new MAC address is generated for the recovered VM.

5. **VM/vApp power on:** When the **Power on recovered VM/vApp** option is selected, the recovered VMs/vApps are powered on.

Pre and Post Job Actions

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to run a script before recovery begins (a pre-job script) and after the recovery of all objects in the job has completed (a post-job script). The scripts can only be executed on the machine on which the **Director** is installed. For more information about pre and post job scripts, refer to [“Pre and Post Job Scripts” on page 83](#).

Setting a Pre Job Script

To run a script before NAKIVO Backup & Replication begins recovering objects, do the following:

1. Place a script file on the machine on which the **Director** is installed.
2. Select the **Run local pre job script** option and click the **settings** link.
3. Specify the following parameters in the dialog box that opens:
 - **Script path:** Specify a local path to the script on the machine on which the **Director** is installed. A script interpreter should be specified.

Example (Windows): `cmd.exe /c D:\script.bat`

Example (Linux): `bash /root/script.sh`

- **Job behavior:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script completion:

- **Wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, object recovery is started only after the script is completed.
- **Do not wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, the product runs the script and starts recovering objects at the same time.
- **Error handling:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script failure:
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** With this option selected, the job performs object recovery even if the script has failed.
 - **Fail the job on script failure:** With this option selected, if the script fails, the job is failed and object recovery is not performed.

Setting a Post Job Script

To run a script after NAKIVO Backup & Replication finishes recovering all objects, do the following:

1. Place a script file on the machine on which the **Director** is installed.
2. Select the **Run local post job script** option and click the **settings** link.
3. Specify the following parameters in the dialog box that opens:
 - **Script path:** Specify a local path to the script on the machine on which the Director is installed. A script interpreter should be specified.

Example (Windows): `cmd.exe /c D:\script.bat`

Example (Linux): `bash /root/script.sh`

- **Job behavior:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script completion:
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, the job is in the “running” state until the script is completed.
 - **Do not wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, the job is completed even if the script execution is still in progress.
- **Error handling:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script failure:
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** With this option selected, script failure does not influence the status of the job.
 - **Fail the job on script failure:** With this option selected, if the script fails, the job status is

set to “failed” even if object recovery is successful.

The screenshot shows the 'New Full Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director' with four tabs: 1. Object, 2. Backups, 3. Destination, and 4. Options. The 'Options' tab is active. Under 'Job Options', there are fields for Job name, Job priority (5), Network acceleration (Disabled), Network encryption (Disabled), and Malware detection (Disabled). Under 'Recovered Object Options', there are fields for Recovery mode (Synthetic), Recovered vApp names (Append "-recovered" in the end), vApp power on (Power on recovered vApps), VM disks (Respect original VM disk type), and VM MAC addresses (Do not generate new MAC address). The 'Pre and Post Actions' section is highlighted with a red box and contains three checkboxes: 'Send job run reports to' (checked), 'Run local pre job script', and 'Run local post job script'. The 'Send job run reports to' checkbox has a text box containing 'admin@nakivo.com'. Under 'Data Transfer', there are fields for Transport mode (Automatic selection), Transporter pool (Select transporter pool), Transporters (Automatic selection), Limit transporter load to (3 concurrent tasks), and Bandwidth throttling (Disabled). At the bottom right, there are buttons for 'Cancel', 'Finish', and 'Finish & Run'.

Email Notifications

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can send email notifications about job completion status to specified recipients. This feature complements global notifications and allows you to configure notifications on a per-job level.

Note

To enable this option, make sure that Email settings are configured. Refer to [“Email Settings” on page 365](#).

To receive email notifications, do the following:

1. In the *Pre and Post Actions* section, select the **Send job run reports to**.
2. Specify one or more email addresses in the text box. Use semicolons to separate multiple email addresses.

Data Transfer

In the *Data Transfer* section, choose a transport mode for writing data, select which Transporter to be used for reading data from the source VM, and set [bandwidth throttling](#).

Transport Mode

NAKIVO Backup & Replication provides the following transport modes for writing VM/vApp data:

- **Automatic:** When this option is chosen, Hot Add mode is used where possible. If the product cannot use Hot Add, LAN mode is used.

- **HotAdd only:** NAKIVO Backup & Replication can write data directly to the datastore, bypassing the network, which can significantly improve job performance. This is achieved with the help of [VMware's HotAdd](#) technology. In order for the Hot Add feature to work, the target **Transporter** (the one that will be writing data) should run on a host that has access to the target datastore(s).
- **LAN only:** Data will be written over LAN.

Transporter Pool

If this option is enabled, only the transporters that belong to the selected transporter pool shall be used during the job run.

Transporters

By default, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically determines which **Transporter** should be used to read data from the source VM. However, you can manually specify which **Transporters** should be used for the job:

- **Automatic selection:** The product automatically determines the **Transporters** that are closest to the source and target hosts.
- **Manual - configured for all VMs:** Select this option to manually specify a single source and a single target **Transporter** to be used for data transfer by the job.
- **Manual - configured per host:** Select this option to manually specify **Transporters** for all source and target hosts.

Transporter Load

You can limit the maximum number of **Transporter** tasks assigned to it within the job. By default, this number is set to 3 concurrent tasks.

To change the default number of tasks, do the following:

- In the *Data Transfer* section, select the **Limit transporter load** to checkbox.
- Specify the number of concurrent tasks in the corresponding box.

Bandwidth Throttling

Follow the steps below to set the speed of data transfer over the network for your recovery job:

1. For the **Bandwidth throttling** option, choose **Enabled**.

Note

If bandwidth throttling is disabled for the current job, global bandwidth rules may still apply to your job.

2. Click the **settings** link that becomes available. The **Job Bandwidth Rules** dialog box opens displaying the list of available rules. You have the following options:

- Create a new bandwidth rule for your recovery job:
 - a. Click the **Create New Rule** button.
 - b. The New Bandwidth Rule dialog box opens. For details on creating a bandwidth rule, refer to [“Bandwidth Throttling” on page 355](#).
 - c. Click **Save**.
- Activate an existing bandwidth rule for your job: Select the checkbox to the left of the required bandwidth rule. To deactivate a bandwidth rule for your job, deselect the corresponding checkbox.
- Edit a bandwidth rule: Click the **Edit** link for a bandwidth rule and modify it in the **Edit Bandwidth Rule** dialog box that opens.
- Disable a bandwidth rule: Click the **Disable** link. The bandwidth rule is disabled for all jobs.
- Remove a bandwidth rule: Click the **Remove** link and then click **Delete** to confirm your operation.

The screenshot shows the 'New Full Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director' at the '4. Options' step. The 'Data Transfer' section is highlighted with a red box. The settings for this section are:

- Transport mode: Automatic selection
- Transporter pool: Select transporter pool
- Transporters: Automatic selection
- Limit transporter load to: 3 concurrent tasks
- Bandwidth throttling: Disabled

At the bottom of the wizard, there are three buttons: 'Cancel', 'Finish', and 'Finish & Run'.

Completing the New Full Recovery Job Wizard for VMware

Click **Finish** or **Finish & Run** to complete the job creation.

Note

If you click **Finish & Run**, you will have to define the scope of your job. For details, refer to [“Running Jobs on Demand” on page 317](#).

Performing Cross-Platform Recovery

With the [Cross-Platform Recovery](#) feature of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can export backups to standard formats that are compatible with various platforms. The following formats are supported:

- VMDK for disk(s) of VMware virtual machine(s)
- VHD for disk(s) of Hyper-V virtual machine(s)
- VHDX for disk(s) of Hyper-V virtual machine(s)

To export your backup for subsequent recovery on the same platform or a different one, use the Backup Export Wizard in NAKIVO Backup & Replication. Refer to [“Feature Requirements” on page 167](#) for the supported scenarios for cross-platform recovery.

NAKIVO Backup & Replication does not run VM preparation when exporting the backups into a specific format. If you plan to import the VM into a different platform and VM preparation is required, prepare your VM in advance.

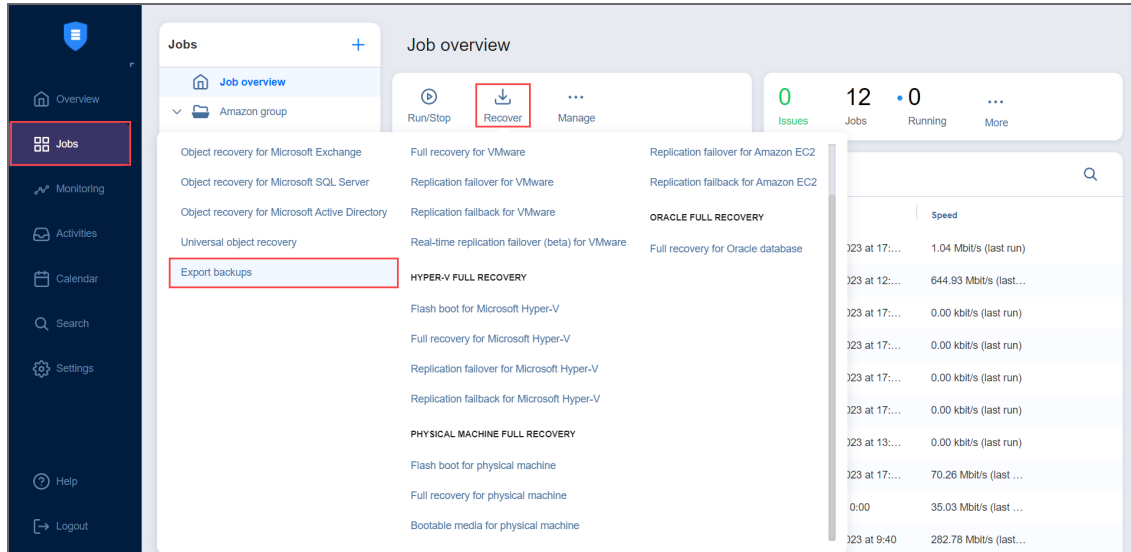
This section includes the following topics:

- [“Opening Backup Export Wizard” on page 928](#)
- [“Backup Export Wizard: Backups” on page 929](#)
- [“Backup Export Wizard: Disks” on page 930](#)
- [“Backup Export Wizard: Options” on page 931](#)
- [“Backup Export Wizard: Finish” on page 933](#)

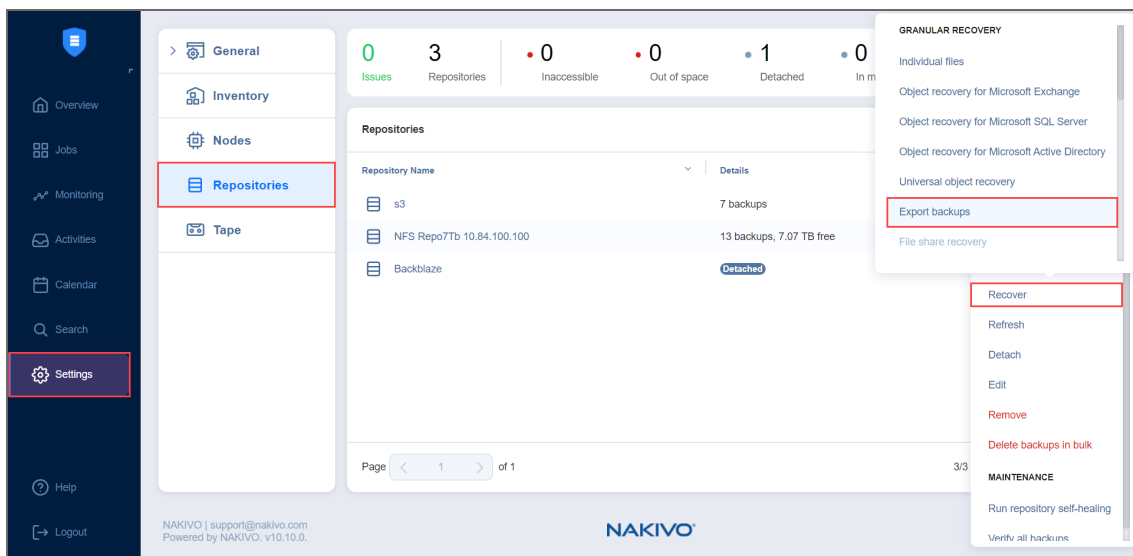
Opening Backup Export Wizard

Open **Backup Export Wizard** using one of the following ways:

- Navigate to the **Jobs** menu, click **Recover** and then click **Export backups**.



- On the **Settings** page:
 1. Click the **Repositories** tab.
 2. In the list of repositories, hover over a repository and click the ellipsis **Manage** button.
 3. Click **Recover** and select **Export backups**.

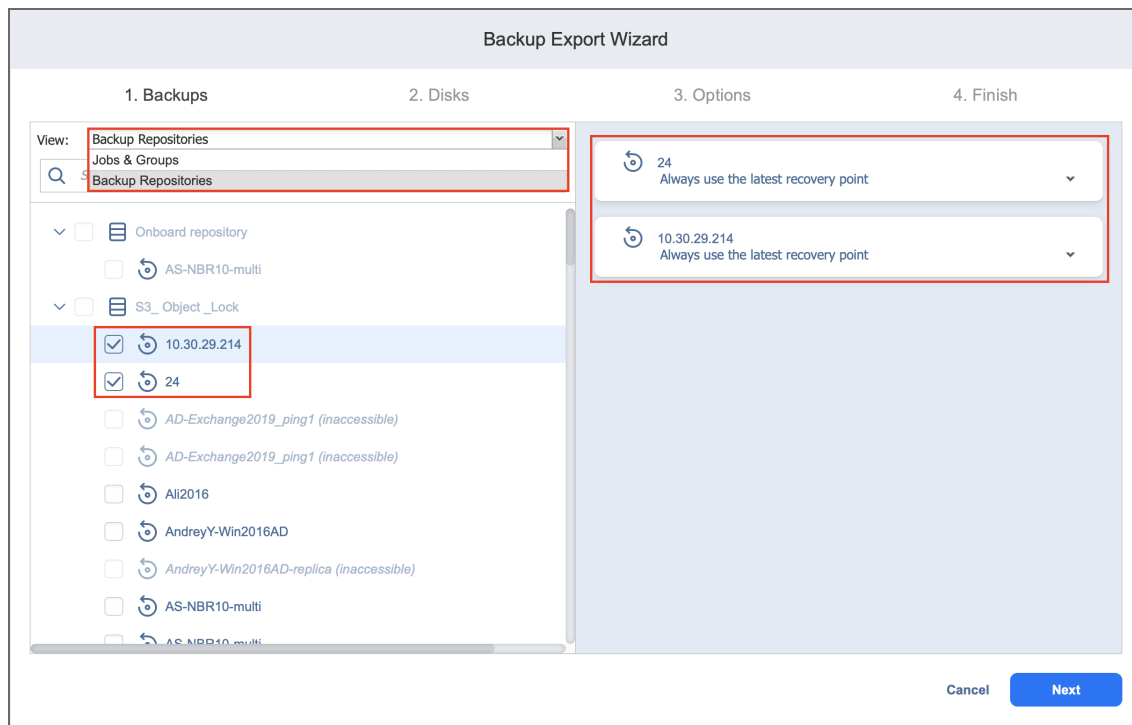


- Alternatively, the Backup Export can be performed by using by using the **Search** function.

Backup Export Wizard: Backups

On the **Backups** page of the wizard:

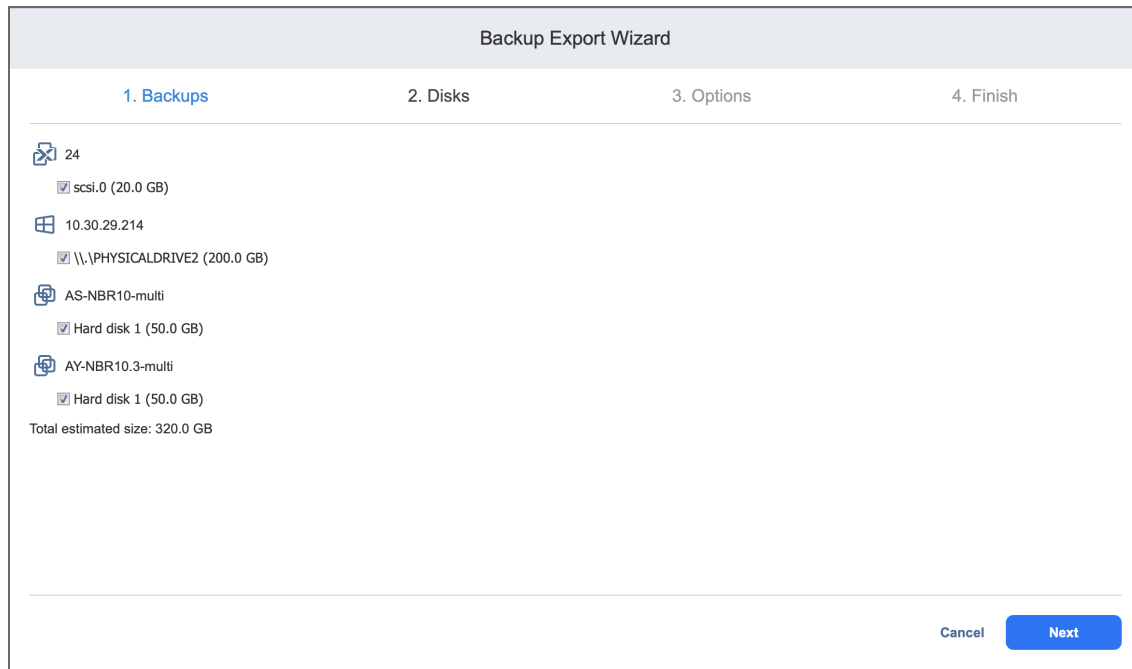
1. In the left pane, select one or more backups using one of these views:
 - **Jobs & Groups**
 - **Backup Repositories**
2. Select a recovery point for each backup in the right pane.
3. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.



Backup Export Wizard: Disks

On the **Disks** page of the wizard:

1. Select one or more disks under each backup.
2. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.



Backup Export Wizard: Options

On the **Options** page of the wizard, specify options for exporting your backups:

1. **Export format:** Choose one of the following:

- VMDK
- VHD
- VHDX

Note

VMDK disks are always pre-allocated with the thick provisioning type of storage.

2. **Export location:** Choose one of the following:

- **Local folder on assigned Transporter:** With this option selected, you have to specify a path to the local folder to which the backups will be exported.
- **CIFS share:** With this option selected, proceed as follows:
 - a. Enter the following:
 - Path to the share
 - Username and Password or Private Key
 - b. Click **Test Connection** to check your credentials for the specified share.
- **NFS share:** With this option selected, proceed as follows:
 - a. Enter Path to the share.
 - b. Click **Test Connection** to check the connection to the specified share.

3. Click **Export** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Backup Export Wizard

1. Backups 2. Disks 3. Options 4. Finish

Export format:

Export location:

Path to the share: [Test Connection](#)

Credentials type:

Username:

Password: [Manage credentials](#)

[Cancel](#) [Export](#)

Backup Export Wizard: Finish

The **Finish** page of the wizard informs you that your backup export has started. To view the status of your backup export, go to **Activities**.

To view the backup export progress, go to **Settings > General > Events**.

To close the **Backup Export Wizard**, click **Close**.

Starting Recovery from Tape

To initiate recovery from a tape backup, do the following:

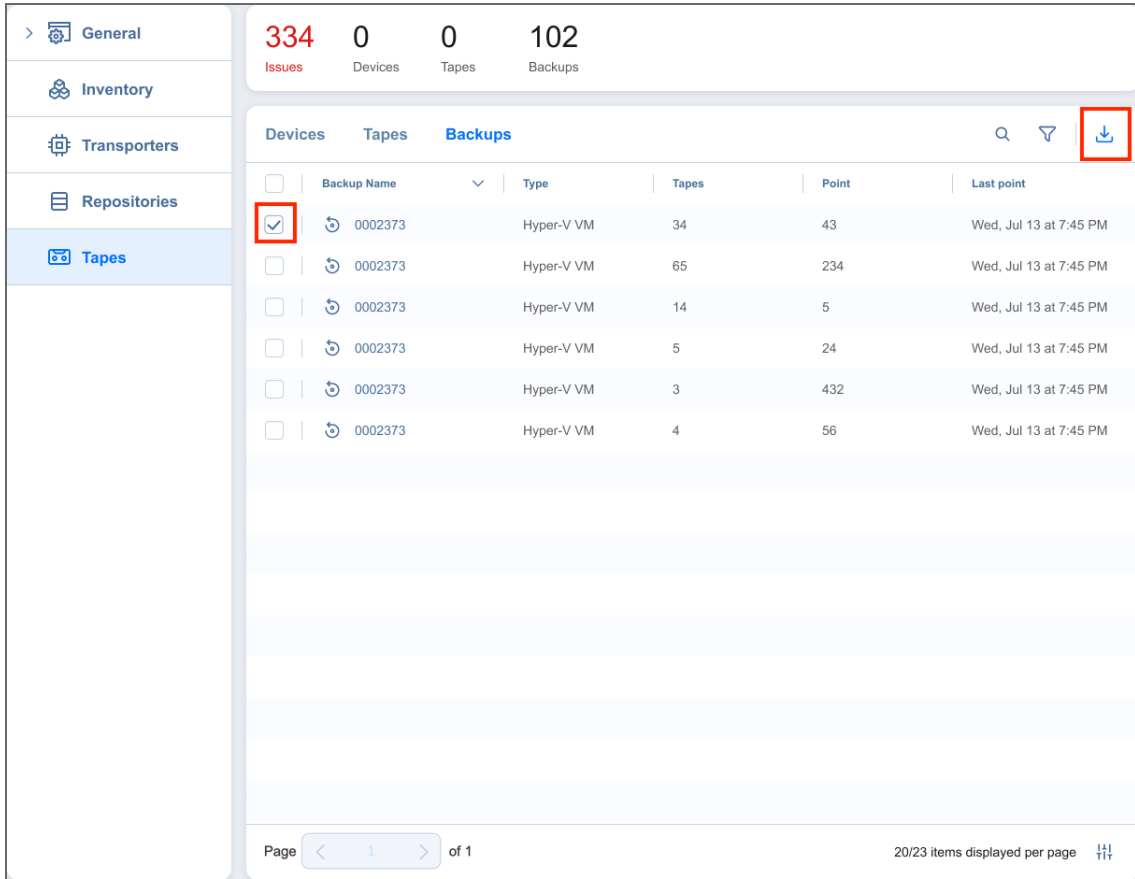
Starting Recovery from the Tape Tab

1. Go to **Settings**, click the **Tape** tab, and open the **Backups** view.
 - In the **Backups** table, select the checkbox next to one or several backups that you want to recover and click the **Recover** button. This opens the Recovery wizard with specified backups and their latest recovery point selected.

Note

Only backups of the same type can be selected. That is, you cannot select VMware

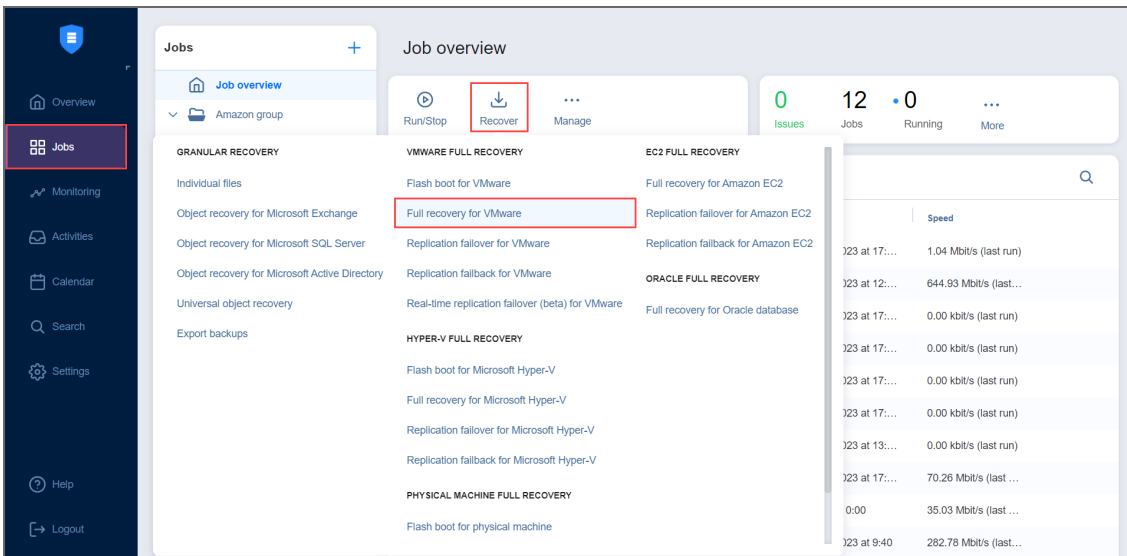
and Hyper-V type backups and launch the **Recovery wizard**.



- Alternatively, go to the [“Managing Tape Cartridges” on page 628](#) page, select a backup in the **Tape contents** pane and then click the recovery point you want to restore from.

Starting Recovery from the Jobs Dashboard

You may also initiate recovery from a tape backup via the **Jobs** dashboard. To do so, click **Recover** and select the appropriate recovery object and type. For example, to launch the VMware recovery wizard, click **Full recovery for VMware** under **VMware Full Recovery**.

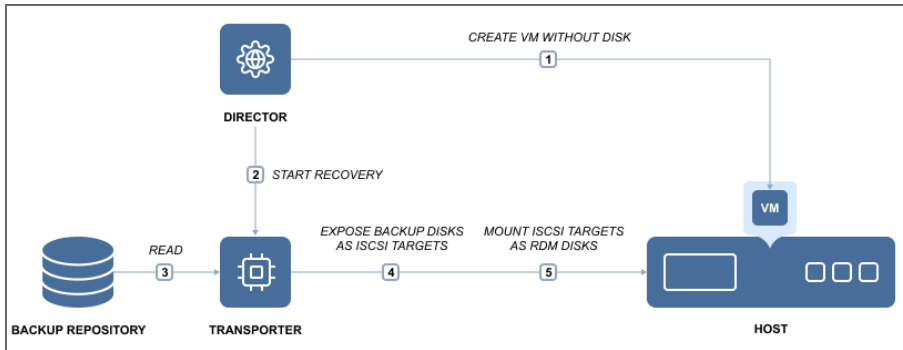


Then, proceed as described in the following topics:

- [“Recovery Job Wizard for VMware: Backups” on page 902](#)
- [“Recovery Job Wizard for VMware Cloud Director: Backups” on page 917](#)

Performing Flash boot Recovery

The [Flash boot](#) feature allows you to run (boot) VMware and Hyper-V VMs directly from compressed and deduplicated VM backups, without recovering entire VMs first. When you boot a VM from a backup, NAKIVO Backup & Replication creates a new VM on the target server.



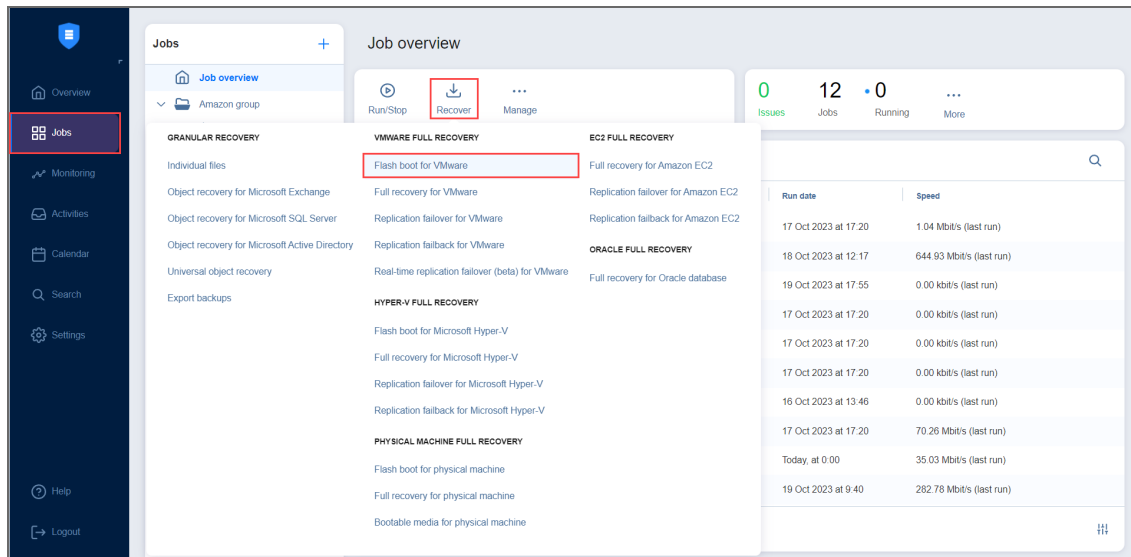
When a VMware VM is created, NAKIVO Backup & Replication takes a snapshot of the VM: this way all changes that occur to the VM are temporarily stored in the snapshot and discarded when you stop the job. When a Hyper-V VM is created, the application temporarily stores the changes to the VM in a disk-based write cache in the Backup Repository; changes are discarded when the job is stopped. For more information, refer to the following topics:

- [“Creating VMware Flash Boot Jobs” on page 937](#)
- [“Migrating Recovered VMs Using Flash Boot” on page 953](#)

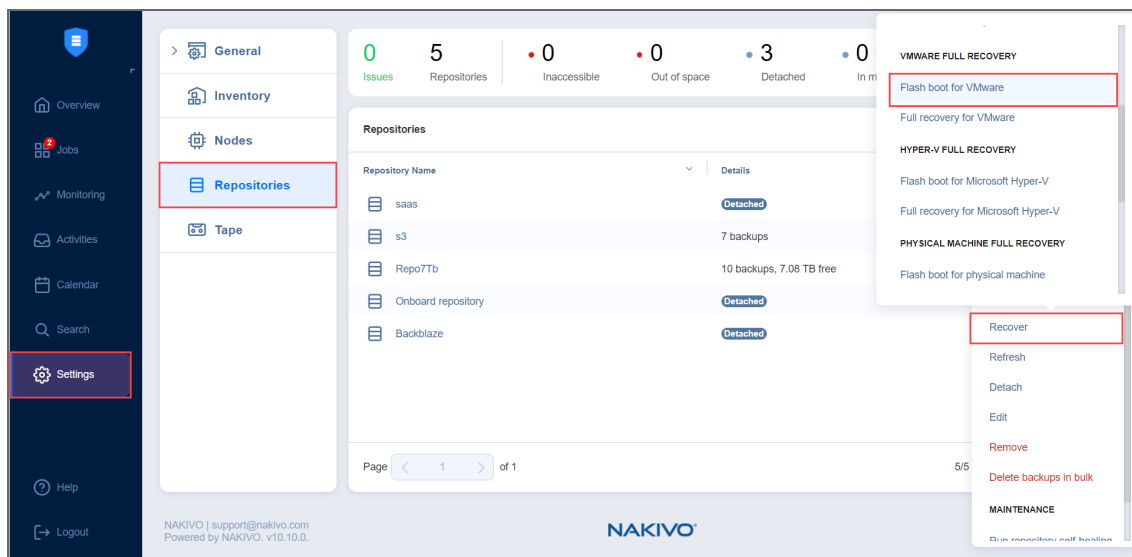
Creating VMware Flash Boot Jobs

To create a VMware Flash Boot job, do one of the following:

- Open the Flash Boot wizard from the **Jobs** menu by clicking **Recover** and then clicking **Flash boot for VMware**.



- Open the Flash Boot wizard from the **Repositories** tab in **Settings** by following the steps below:
 1. Go to the main menu and click **Settings**.
 2. Go to the **Repositories** tab and hover over the **Backup Repository** containing the backup.
 3. Click the ellipsis **Manage** button, click **Recover**, and select **Flash boot for VMware** under **VMware Full Recovery**.



- Alternatively, the recovery can be performed by using the [Search](#) function.

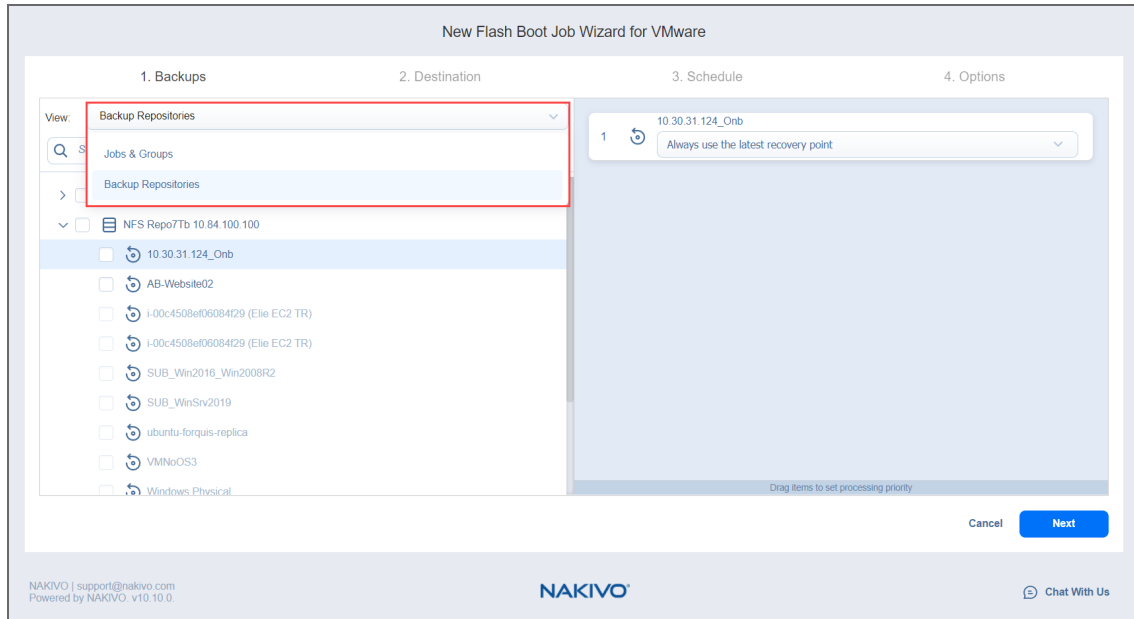
The **New Flash Boot Job Wizard** opens.

- “VMware Flash Boot Job Wizard: Backups” on page 939
- “VMware Flash Boot Job Wizard: Destination” on page 940
- “VMware Flash Boot Job Wizard: Schedule” on page 942
- “VMware vSphere Flash Boot Job Wizard: Options” on page 946

VMware Flash Boot Job Wizard: Backups

On the **Backups** page of the wizard, select backups for recovery by taking the following actions:

1. Select one of the views:
 - **Jobs & Groups:** Select one or more VM backups in the left pane and then select a recovery point for each backup in the right pane.
 - **Backup Repositories:** Select one or more **Backup Repositories** in the left pane and then select a recovery point for each backup in the right pane.



2. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

VMware Flash Boot Job Wizard: Destination

On the **Destination** page, select a destination for the recovered VMs.

Notes

- Due to vSphere storage limitations, only 256 VM disks can be flash-booted per host.

Proceed as described in these sections:

- [“Setting the Same Host, Datastore, and Network for all VMs”](#) below
- [“Setting Different Options for Recovered VMs”](#) below

Setting the Same Host, Datastore, and Network for all VMs

To run all VMs on the same host (cluster, or resource pool), datastore and VM folder (optional), and to connect all recovered VMs to the same network, choose a target container, datastore, VM folder and network from the appropriate drop-down lists.

The screenshot shows the 'New Flash Boot Job Wizard for VMware' interface, specifically the '2. Destination' step. The wizard is divided into four tabs: '1. Backups', '2. Destination', '3. Schedule', and '4. Options'. The '2. Destination' tab is active, displaying four configuration options with drop-down menus: 'Container' (10.30.21.25), 'Datastore' (10.30.21.25-ssd0), 'Network' (10.30.22.0), and 'VM folder' (Select target VM folder (optional)). Below these options is a section for 'Advanced setup...'. At the bottom right of the wizard, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons. The footer of the wizard includes the NAKIVO logo, contact information (support@nakivo.com), and a 'Chat With Us' button.

If you choose the **Connect to temporary isolated network** option from the **Network** drop-down list, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will create a new vSwitch and a new network on all hosts where VMs will be recovered. Recovered VMs will be connected to the newly created network.

Setting Different Options for Recovered VMs

To specify different options for VMs, follow the steps below:

1. Click **Advanced setup**.
2. Choose a target container, target datastore, and target network for each individual VM.

10.30.31.124_Onb		Click to collapse	
Source		Target	
VM location:	NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100	Container:	10.30.21.25
VM resources:	2 CPU, 4.0 GB RAM	Virtual Machine:	<i>A new VM will be created</i>
		VM folder:	Select target VM folder (optional)
Disks		Disks	
Hard disk 1:	NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100 (30.0 GB)	Hard disk 1:	10.30.21.25-ssd0
VM file:	NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100	VM file:	10.30.21.25-ssd0
Network adapters		Network adapters	
Network adapter 1:		Network adapter 1:	10.30.22.0
AB-Website02		Click to collapse	
Source		Target	
VM location:	NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100	Container:	10.30.21.28
VM resources:	4 CPU, 4.0 GB RAM	Virtual Machine:	<i>A new VM will be created</i>
		VM folder:	replicas
Disks		Disks	
Hard disk 1:	NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100 (20.0 GB)	Hard disk 1:	HDD-R.21.28
VM file:	NFS Repo7Tb 10.84.100.100	VM file:	HDD-R.21.28
Network adapters		Network adapters	
Network adapter 1:		Network adapter 1:	10.30.31.0
		Cancel Next	

If you choose the **Connect to temporary isolated network** option for a NIC, NAKIVO Backup & Replication will create a new vSwitch and a new network on the host where the VM will be recovered. The recovered VM will be connected to the network.

3. Click **Next**.

VMware Flash Boot Job Wizard: Schedule

On the **Schedule** page of the wizard, select to run the recovery job manually or schedule the job to run on a regular basis. Proceed as described in the sections below:

- “Disabling Scheduled Job Execution” below
- “Daily Job Execution” below
- “Monthly or Yearly Job Execution” on the next page
- “Periodic Job Execution” on page 944
- “Chained Job” on page 944
- “Additional Schedule” on page 945

Disabling Scheduled Job Execution

If you want to start the job manually only (without scheduling), select the **Do not schedule, run on demand** checkbox:

The screenshot shows the 'New Flash Boot Job Wizard for VMware' interface. The wizard is currently on the '3. Schedule' step. A checkbox labeled 'Do not schedule, run on demand' is checked. The 'Next' button is highlighted in blue. The footer contains the NAKIVO logo and contact information.

Daily Job Execution

To run a job once a day, choose **Run daily/weekly** from the schedule drop-down list:

- Choose a time zone to be used for the job start and end times from the time zone drop-down list.
- Choose **Run daily/weekly** from the **Schedule** drop-down list.
- Specify the time when the job should be started in the **Starting at** field.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** field. If the job has not completed by the time specified, the job will be stopped.

- Select the days of the week on which the job will be started.

Monthly or Yearly Job Execution

To run a job monthly or yearly, choose **Run monthly/yearly** from the schedule drop-down list:

- Specify the job start schedule in the appropriate fields.
- Specify the time when the job should be started in the **Starting at** field.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** field. If the job has not completed by the time specified, the job will be stopped.
- Choose a time zone to be used for the job start and end times from the time zone drop-down list.
- Select the days of the week on which the job will be started.

Periodic Job Execution

To run a job multiple times per day, choose **Run periodically** from the schedule drop-down list and then choose a time period from the appropriate fields:

- Specify the time when the job should be started in the **Starting at** field.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** field. If the job has not completed by the time specified, the job will be stopped.
- Choose a time zone to be used for the job start and end times from the time zone drop-down list.

New Flash Boot Job Wizard for VMware

1. Backups 2. Destination 3. Schedule 4. Options

Do not schedule, run on demand

(UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time

Schedule #1

Run periodically every 30 minutes

Starting at: 0:00 Ending: 6:00

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Effective from All days Work days Weekends

Add another schedule
Show calendar

Cancel Next

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Chained Job

To run the job after a previous one has completed, choose **Run after another job** from the schedule drop-down list and set the options as follows:

- **After the job:** Select a job after which the current job will be started.
- **Run this job:** Choose whether to run the current job immediately after the previous one has completed or specify a delay.
- **After successful runs:** When selected, the job will run if the previous one has completed successfully.
- **After failed runs:** When selected, the job will run if the previous one has failed.

- **After stopped runs:** When selected, the job will run if the previous one has been stopped.

The screenshot shows the 'New Flash Boot Job Wizard for VMware' interface, specifically the '3. Schedule' step. The wizard is divided into four sections: 1. Backups, 2. Destination, 3. Schedule, and 4. Options. In the '3. Schedule' section, the following options are visible:

- Do not schedule, run on demand
- (UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time (selected in a dropdown)
- Schedule #1
- Run after another job (selected in a dropdown)
- After the job: Backup Job for Microsoft Hyper-V (selected in a dropdown)
- Run this job: Immediately (selected in a dropdown)
- After successful
- After failed runs
- After stopped runs
- Effective from
- Add another schedule
- Show calendar

At the bottom right of the configuration area, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons. The footer of the wizard includes the NAKIVO logo, contact information (support@nakivo.com, Powered by NAKIVO, v10.10.0), and a 'Chat With Us' link.

Additional Schedule

If you need to add an additional schedule, click **Add another schedule** and configure it as described above.

VMware vSphere Flash Boot Job Wizard: Options

On the **Options** page, set up job options as described in these sections:

- “Job Options” below
 - “Job Name” on the next page
 - “Job Priority” on the next page
 - “VM Verification” on the next page
 - Malware Detection
- “Recovered VM Options” on page 948
 - “Specifying VM Names” on page 949
 - “Generating VM MAC Addresses” on page 949
 - “Powering Recovered VMs” on page 949
- “Pre and Post Actions” on page 950
 - “Setting up Email Notifications for the Job” on page 950
 - “Setting Up a Pre-Job Script” on page 950
 - “Setting Up a Post-Job Script” on page 951
- “Data Routing” on page 951
- “Completing the New Flash Boot Job Wizard” on page 952

Job Options

In this section, specify a job name and a priority level, select a VM verification type, and enable malware detection.

New Flash Boot Job Wizard for VMware

1. Backups 2. Destination 3. Schedule 4. Options

Job Options

Job name: Flash boot job for VMware

Job priority: 5

VM verification: Disabled

Malware detection: Disabled

Recovered VM Options

Recovered VM names: Append "-recovered" in the end

VM MAC addresses: Do not generate new MAC address

VM power on: Power on recovered VMs

Pre and Post Actions

Send job run reports to: admin@nakivo.com

Run local pre job script

Run local post job script

Proxy transporter: Do not use proxy transporter

Cancel Finish Finish & Run

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Job Name

Enter a name for your job in the **Job name** box.

Job Priority

Select a job priority level between *1* and *5*, with *1* being the highest priority. Jobs with higher priority levels are prioritized by **Transporters** during job processing.

Note

This option is only available in the Enterprise, Enterprise Essentials, Enterprise Plus, MSP Enterprise, and MSP Enterprise Plus editions.

VM Verification

VM Verification allows you to check the integrity of the backup by starting it and interacting with it. For more details, refer to the [VM Verification](#) article.

You can choose one of the following VM verification options:

- **Screenshot verification:** When enabled, all VM backups created by the job will be verified as follows: After a backup of a VM is completed, the VM is recovered from the backup using Flash boot (and is disconnected from networks), a screenshot of the recovered VM is taken once the VM OS has booted, after which the VM is discarded. VM screenshots will be included in email notifications (if they are [configured](#)) and displayed on the main Dashboard.
- **Boot verification:** When enabled, all VM backups created by the job will be verified as follows: After a VM backup is completed, NAKIVO Backup & Replication recovers the VM using Flash boot, disables networking to prevent network connections, and verifies successful system start.

If you select the **Screenshot verification** option, provide verification options in the **VM Boot Location** dialog box that opens:

- **Verify not more than x VMs simultaneously:** Specify the maximum number of VMs that can be started on the target container simultaneously.
- **Recovery time objective:** Specify an amount of time allocated for verification of each VM backup. If the VM OS does not start within the specified amount of time, verification will be considered failed.
- **Screenshot delay:** Specify an amount of time that the product should wait after a Guest OS start before taking a screenshot.

Note

The specified time must be sufficient to fully start the VM OS. Try increasing this amount if the default amount is not sufficient.

When **Boot verification** is selected, specify verification options in the dialog box that opens:

- **Verify not more than x VMs simultaneously:** Specify the maximum number of VMs that can be started on the target container simultaneously.

- **Recovery time objective:** Specify the amount of time allocated for verification of each VM backup. If a VM OS does not start within the specified amount of time, verification will be considered failed.

Malware Detection

With [this option](#) enabled, the backups are scanned for malware using the configured antivirus software on the scan server. Optionally, if you have selected **Enabled** for the **Malware detection** option, click the **settings** link to configure the following options:

- **Scan server:** Select a specific [scan server](#) for the job or leave the **Default** setting. If **Default** is selected, the Transporter is used as the scan server and can support a maximum of 2 concurrent scan tasks.

Notes

- For the **Default** option, if the **Repository Transporter** is the installed **Transporter**, it requires the master password to function as the scan server.
- For more details on the requirements for Scan Server, refer to the [Feature Requirements](#).

- **Scan type:** Choose between the **Deep scan** and the **Quick scan**:
 - **Deep scan:** When this option is selected, the antivirus software scans the entire backup and may take longer to complete.
 - **Quick scan:** When this option is selected, the antivirus software scans only OS disks in the backup.
- **If malware is detected:** Choose the behavior if malware is detected:
 - **Fail the recovery job:** With this option, the recovery process fails in case the job has only one VM. If the job has several VMs, the infected VMs are skipped and the job continues to run.
 - **Continue and recover to isolated network:** When this option is selected, the recovery job completes the scanning process and recovers the infected VMs to a temporary isolated network.
- **Scan timeout:** Specify the timeout for the malware detection process. If the specified amount of time is exceeded, the recovery job fails.
- Click **Apply** when you're done.

Recovered VM Options

In this section, specify VM names, generate VM MAC addresses, and choose whether you want to power on recovered VMs or not.

The screenshot shows the 'New Flash Boot Job Wizard for VMware' at step 4: Options. The 'Recovered VM Options' section is highlighted with a red box. It contains the following settings:

- Recovered VM names: Append "-recovered" in the end
- VM MAC addresses: Do not generate new MAC address
- VM power on: Power on recovered VMs

Other visible settings include:

- Job name: Flash boot job for VMware
- Job priority: 5
- VM verification: Disabled
- Malware detection: Disabled
- Pre and Post Actions:
 - Send job run reports to: admin@nakivo.com
 - Run local pre job script
 - Run local post job script
- Proxy transporter: Do not use proxy transporter

Buttons at the bottom right: Cancel, Finish, Finish & Run.

Specifying VM Names

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to change the names of recovered VMs so you can distinguish between recovered VMs and source VMs. By default, the text “- recovered” is appended to the end of the recovered VM name.

To change VM replica names, choose one of the following **Recovered VM names** options in the Recovered VM Options section:

- **Append “-recovered” in the end:** Source VM names are used for recovered VM names and “-recovered” is added after the recovered VM name.
- **Leave recovered VM names as is:** Recovered VM names are identical to the source VM names.
- **Enter custom recovered VM names:** You can enter custom names for recovered VMs.

Generating VM MAC Addresses

In the **Recovered VM Options** section, you can choose one of the following options in relation to recovered VM MAC addresses:

- **Do not generate new MAC addresses:** The recovered VMs will have the same MAC address as the source VMs
- **Generate new MAC addresses:** A new MAC address will be generated for each recovered VM.

Powering Recovered VMs

To power on the recovered VMs, choose the **VM power on** option.

Pre and Post Actions

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to [run a script](#) before Flash boot begins (a pre-job script) and after the boot of all VMs in the job has completed (a post-job script). The scripts can only be executed on the machine where the **Director** is installed. You can also set up email notifications for the job.

The screenshot shows the 'New Flash Boot Job Wizard for VMware' interface. The 'Options' step is active, showing various configuration options. The 'Pre and Post Actions' section is highlighted with a red box. It includes the following options:

- Send job run reports to: admin@nakivo.com
- Run local pre job script
- Run local post job script

Other options visible include:

- Job name: Flash boot job for VMware
- Job priority: 5
- VM verification: Disabled
- Malware detection: Disabled
- Recovered VM names: Append "-recovered" in the end
- VM MAC addresses: Do not generate new MAC address
- VM power on: Power on recovered VMs
- Proxy transporter: Do not use proxy transporter

Setting up Email Notifications for the Job

NAKIVO Backup & Replication can send email notifications about job completion status to specified recipients. This feature complements global notifications and allows you to configure notifications on a per-job level.

To enable this option, make sure [Email settings](#) are configured.

To send email notifications, do the following:

1. In the **Pre and Post Actions** section, select the **Send job run reports to** option.
2. In the text box that becomes enabled, specify one or more email addresses. Use semicolons to separate multiple email addresses.

Setting Up a Pre-Job Script

To run a script before the product begins recovering VMs, do the following:

1. Place a script file on the machine where the **Director** is installed.
2. In the **Pre and Post Actions** section, select the **Run local pre job script** option and click **settings**.
 - **Script path:** Specify a local path to the script on the machine where the **Director** is installed. A script interpreter should be specified.
Example (Windows): `cmd.exe /c D:\script.bat`
Example (Linux): `bash /root/script.sh`

- **Job behavior:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script completion:
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, the job will be in the “running” state until the script is completed.
 - **Do not wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, the job will be completed even if the script execution is still in progress.
 - **Error handling:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script failure:
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** With this option selected, script failure will not influence the status of the job.
 - **Fail the job on script failure:** With this option selected, if the script fails, the job status will be set to “failed” even if VM backup has been successful.
3. Specify the following parameters in the dialog that opens:

Setting Up a Post-Job Script

To run a script after the product has finished recovering all VMs, do the following:

1. Place a script file on the machine where the **Director** is installed.
2. In the **Pre and Post Actions** section, select the **Run local post job script** option and click **settings**.
 - **Script path:** Specify a local path to the script on the machine where the **Director** is installed. A script interpreter should be specified.
 Example (Windows): `cmd.exe /c D:\script.bat`
 Example (Linux): `bash /root/script.sh`
 - **Job behavior:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script completion:
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, the job will be in the “running” state until the script is completed.
 - **Do not wait for the script to finish:** With this option selected, the job will be completed even if the script execution is still in progress.
 - **Error handling:** Choose one of the following job behaviors in relation to script failure:
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** With this option selected, script failure will not influence the status of the job.
 - **Fail the job on script failure:** With this option selected, if the script fails, the job status will be set to “failed” even if VM backup has been successful.
3. Specify the following parameters in the dialog that opens:

Data Routing

If the **Transporter** assigned to the **Backup Repository** cannot use iSCSI port 3260 because it is occupied by other services, you can set data routing: a proxy transporter can be used to forward iSCSI target exposed from the **Backup Repository** to the target host. To set data routing, go to the *Data routing* section and choose a proxy transporter from the list of available **Transporters**.

New Flash Boot Job Wizard for VMware

1. Backups 2. Destination 3. Schedule 4. Options

Job Options

Job name: Flash boot job for VMware

Job priority: 5

VM verification: Disabled

Malware detection: Disabled

Recovered VM Options

Recovered VM names: Append "-recovered" in the end

VM MAC addresses: Do not generate new MAC address

VM power on: Power on recovered VMs

Pre and Post Actions

Send job run reports to: admin@nakivo.com

Run local pre job script

Run local post job script

Proxy transporter: Do not use proxy transporter

Cancel Finish Finish & Run

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Completing the New Flash Boot Job Wizard

Click **Finish** or **Finish & Run** to complete the job creation.

Note

If you click **Finish & Run**, you will have to define the scope of your job. Please refer to [“Running Jobs on Demand” on page 317](#) for details.

Migrating Recovered VMs Using Flash Boot

Using Flash boot, you can migrate the recovered VMs to another location. To do this, follow the instructions below:

Migrating Recovered VMware VMs Using Flash boot

To migrate a booted VM from one datastore to another, do the following while the virtual machine is running:

1. Open vSphere Client.
2. In the vSphere Client inventory, select the virtual machine recovered with Flash boot that you want to migrate.
3. Right-click on the VM and select **Migrate**.
4. Select **Change datastore** and click **Next**.
5. Select the specific format of your virtual disk.

Note

When selecting virtual disk format, do not leave the **Same format as source** option selected as the VM will be discarded when clicking the **Discard VMs** button in the Flash boot job.

6. Select the datastore where you want to store the VM.
7. Review the page and click **Finish**.

Note

After migrating the booted VMs, you can click the **Discard VMs** button in the Flash boot job. The job detects that the VMs were migrated and does not discard them.

Replicate booted VMs as described below:

1. [Refresh](#) the Inventory in Settings (so that the VMs created by Flash boot are added to the product).
2. Create a new [replication job](#) for the VMs that you want to permanently recover.
3. [Run](#) the replication job.
4. After replication is finished, run the job once again. This is required because the recovered VMs were running (and obtaining some changes) while the initial replication was in progress.
5. To ensure zero data loss, power off the VMs created by Flash boot in the VMware vSphere client and run the VM replication job one last time.
6. Discard the VMs created by Flash boot.
7. Power on the VMs created by the replication job.

Planning Disaster Recovery

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can automate disaster recovery workflows for VMware, Microsoft Hyper-V, and Amazon EC2 environments to meet all major disaster recovery planning needs. For more information about disaster recovery (DR), check the [“Disaster Recovery” on page 30](#) section.

The solution allows you to protect VMs running within a cluster, replicate VMs, including creation of real-time replication jobs, perform failover to replicas and replica failback operations.

You can include up to 200 actions in a single Site Recovery job, including failover, failback, start/stop VMs and instances, run/stop jobs, run scripts, attach or detach repositories, send emails, wait, and check conditions. You can check the [Site Recovery](#) page to learn more.

In case of failure, you can switch your VMware VM to its latest real-time replica by using the Real-Time Replication Failover feature. For more information on how to manage real-time replica failover jobs, see . Any disaster recovery job can be created by combining actions and conditions into an automated algorithm. For more details, refer to the corresponding sections below:

- [“Failover to Replica for VMware” on page 955](#)
- [“Replica Failback for VMware” on page 966](#)
- [“Real-Time Replication Failover \(Beta\) for VMware” on page 984](#)
- [“Site Recovery Job” on page 994](#)

Failover to Replica for VMware

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can switch your VMware VM to the VM's latest replica in case of failure.

Refer to the following topics for more information:

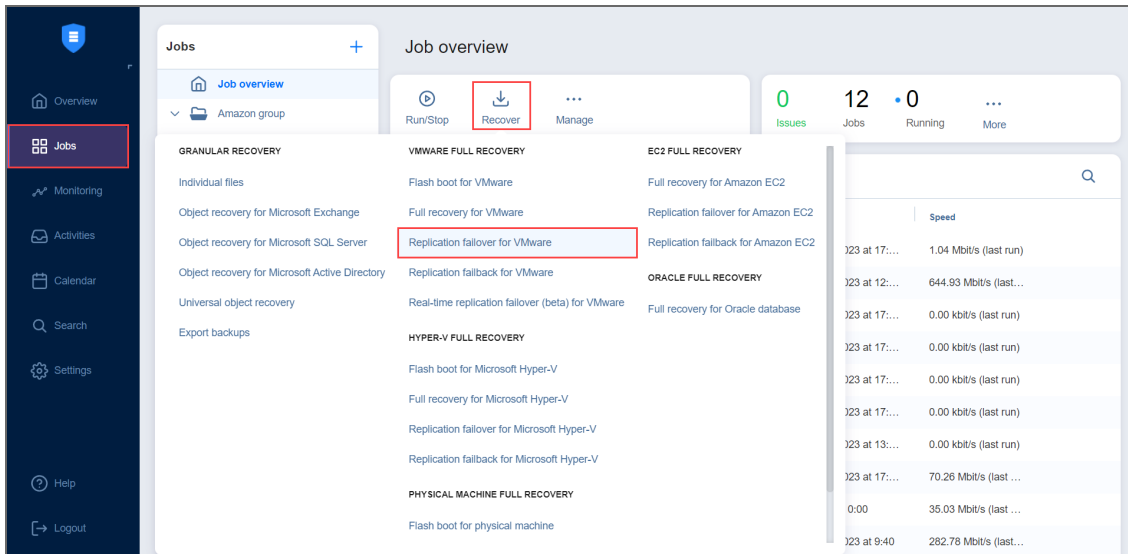
- [“Starting VMware Failover to Replica” on page 956](#)
- [“Failover Job Wizard for VMware: Source” on page 957](#)
- [“Failover Job Wizard for VMware: Networks” on page 958](#)
- [“Failover Job Wizard for VMware: Re-IP” on page 961](#)
- [“Failover Job Wizard for VMware: Options” on page 964](#)

Starting VMware Failover to Replica

Before starting a replica failover job for VMware, make sure that you have an active VMware replication job available. Refer to [“Creating VMware Replication Jobs” on page 786](#) for details.

To start the procedure of switching a VMware system workload to a backup VM, do the following:

1. Click **Recover** in the **Jobs** menu.
2. Click **Replication failover for VMware** in the **VMware Full Recovery** section. Note that the VMware replication job must have been completed successfully for this option to be available.
3. Alternatively, select the relevant replication job and click **Recover > Replication failover for VMware**.
4. Additionally, the failover can be performed by using the [search](#) function.

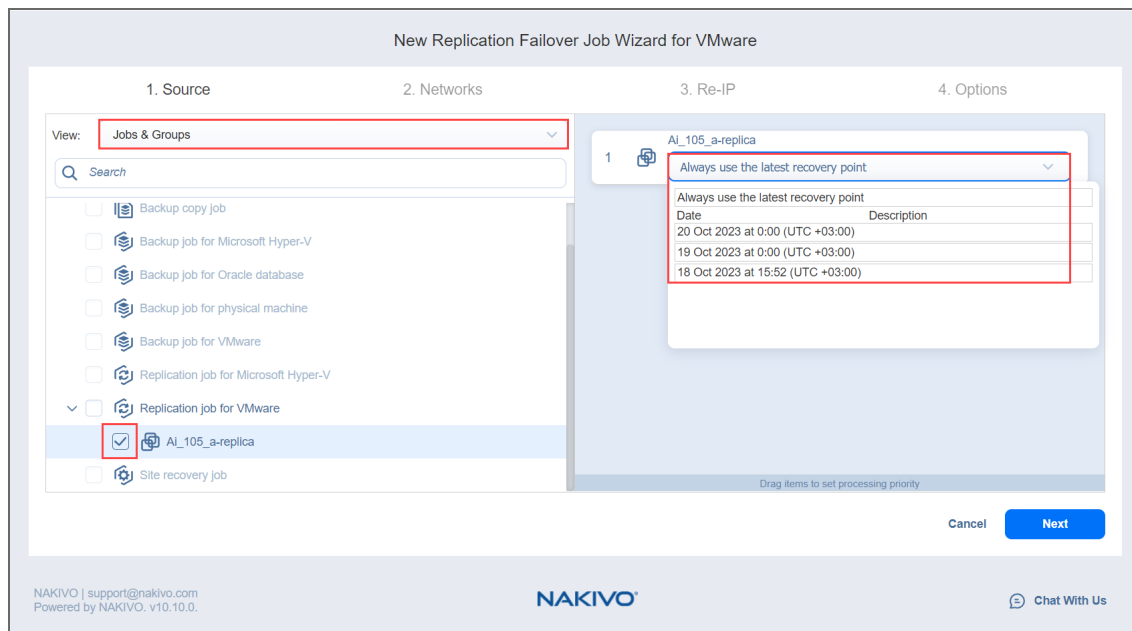


The **New Replication Failover Job Wizard for VMware** opens.

Failover Job Wizard for VMware: Source

On the **Source** page of the wizard, do the following:

1. In the left pane of the page, choose either of the following inventory views:
 - **Jobs & Groups:** When selected, the inventory tree displays groups, jobs, and backups of the appropriate hypervisor. You can select the required replica from the list of replication jobs.
 - **Policy:** When selected, job policies can be used. Refer to [“Managing Job Policies” on page 331](#) for details. If the items were selected in alternate views, a dialog box opens warning you that switching to the **Policy** view will reset your current selection. Click **Switch View** to confirm switching to the **Policy** view. Make sure that at least one item matches the available set of policy rules. Refer to [“Managing Policy Rules” on page 334](#) for details.
2. Select one or more source VMware VMs in the left pane and then select a recovery point for each source VM in the right pane.



3. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Failover Job Wizard for VMware: Networks

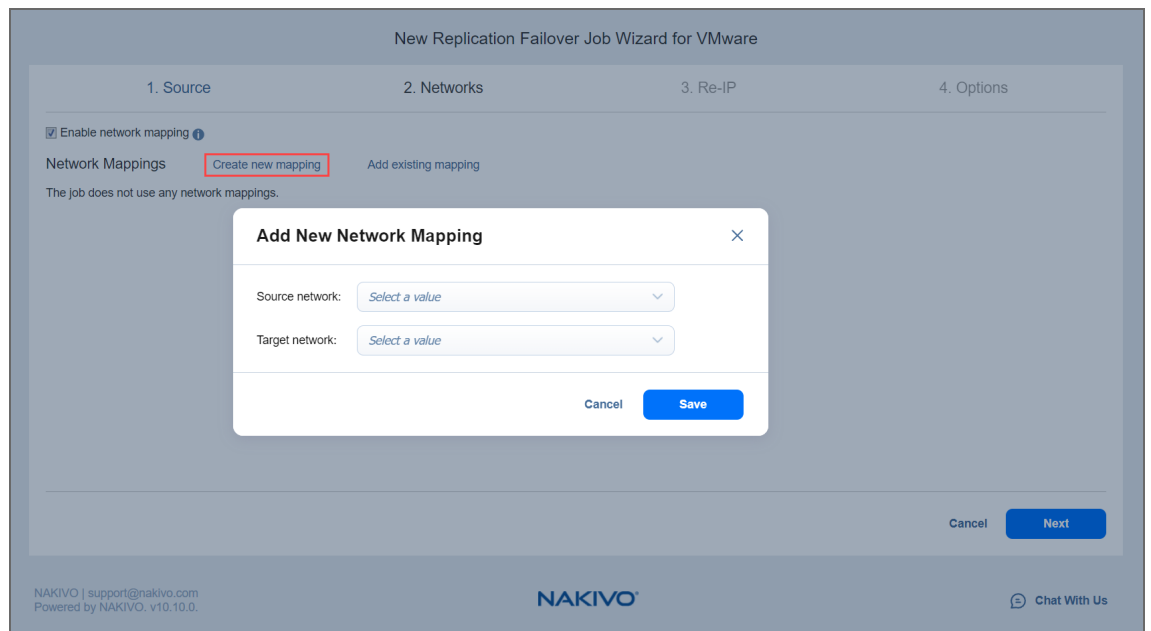
When the replica network – or target VMware virtual network, – differs from the network address where the source VMs are deployed – or source VMware virtual network, – your failover job needs a relation between these networks to be performed successfully. Such relation is called a network mapping.

Note

When replicating an ESXi 8.0 VM to an ESXi 7.0 host, the **VirtualMachineConfigSpec > VirtualMachineSgxInfo** property is skipped.

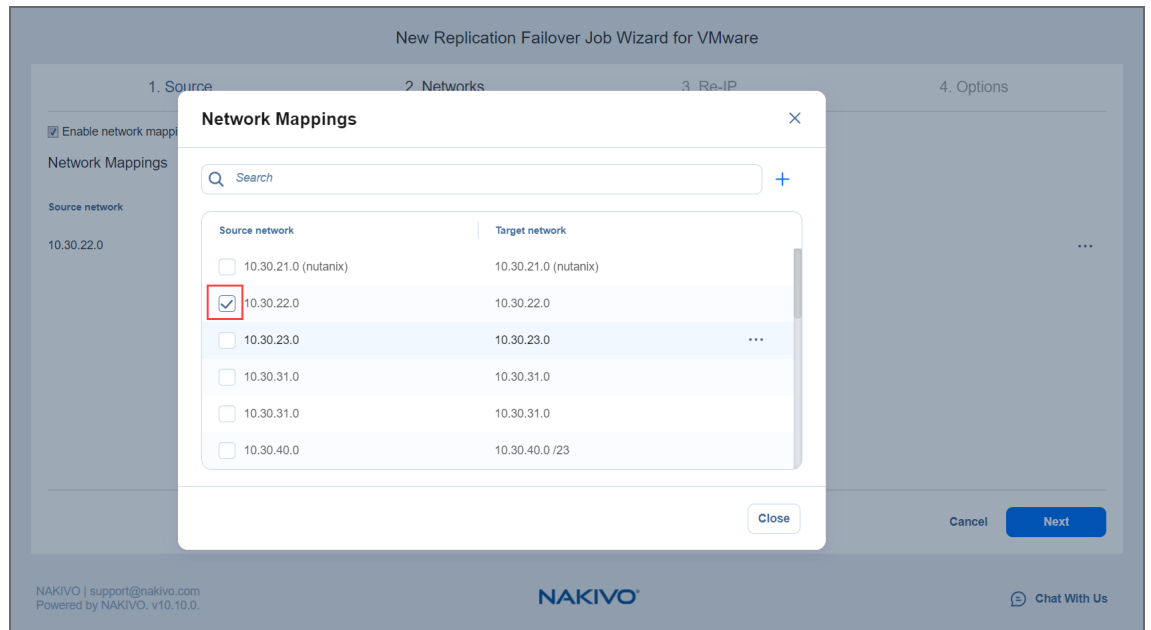
To map source VMware virtual networks to appropriate target virtual networks, please do the following on the **Networks** page of the wizard:

1. Select **Enable network mapping**.
2. The **Network Mappings** dialog box opens. You have the following options:
 - Create a new network mapping:
 - a. Click **Create new mapping**.
 - b. The **New Network Mapping** dialog opens. Choose a source network and a target network and click **Save**.



- Add an existing network mapping:

- a. Click **Add existing mapping**.
- b. The **Network Mappings** dialog opens. Choose one or more appropriate network mappings and close the dialog box.



- Edit an existing network mapping:
 - a. Hover over the necessary item in the **Network Mappings** list and then click the ellipsis **Manage** button to the right of the item. Then, click **Edit**.
 - b. The **Edit Network Mapping** dialog box opens. Choose an appropriate item from the

Target network drop-down list and then click **Save**.



- Delete an existing mapping: hover over the necessary item in the **Network Mappings** list and then click the ellipsis **Manage** button to the right of the item. Then, click **Delete**.



- To leave the list of existing network mappings intact, go to the next page of the wizard.

3. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Failover Job Wizard for VMware: Re-IP

When the IP addressing scheme for the target replica differs from the IP addressing scheme for the VMware source VMs, your failover job needs relations between source VMs addresses and the target replica VMs addresses to be performed successfully. These relations are called re-IP rules.

Warning

VMware Tools must be running on source VMs to successfully enable re-IP for your failover job.

To map a source VM IP address to a specific target IP address, do the following on the Re-IP page of the wizard:

1. Select **Enable Re-IP**.
2. The **Re-IP Rules** section opens. Click the **Select VMs** link.
3. The **Re-IP dialog** box opens. In the list of your source VMs, select at least one VM and close the dialog box.
4. You have the following options:
 - Create a new rule:
 - a. Click **Create new rule**.
 - b. The **New Re-IP Rule** dialog opens. Enter source and target settings for the Re-IP rule and click **Save**.

New Replication Failover Job Wizard for VMware

1. Source VMs

2. Re-IP Rules

3. Select VMs

4. Options

Enable Re-IP ⓘ

Re-IP Rules

The job does not use any Re-IP rules.

New Re-IP Rule

Source Settings

IP address: 192.168.1.*

Subnet mask: 255.255.255.0

Target Settings

IP address: 192.168.2.*

Subnet mask: 255.255.255.0

Default gateway: 192.168.2.1

Primary DNS server: 192.168.2.200

Secondary DNS server: 192.168.2.201

DNS suffix: example.com

Cancel Save

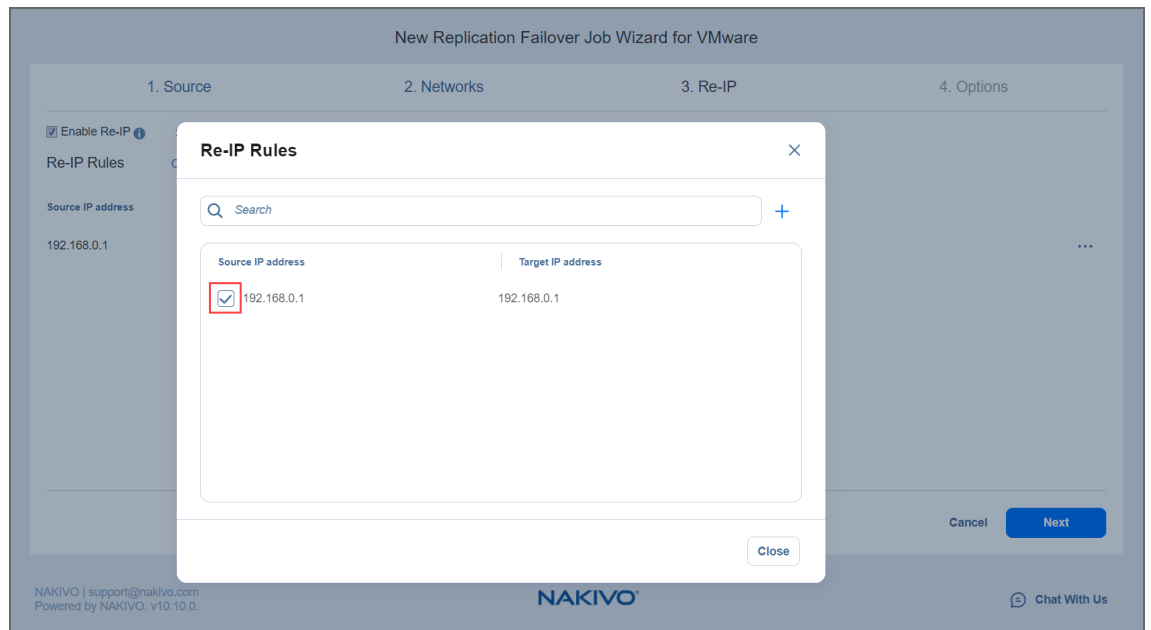
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Note that you can use wildcards for IP addresses. For example, if you enter 192.168.1.* -> 10.30.30.* for the re-IP rule, a source VM IP address such as 192.168.1.50 will be changed to the 10.30.30.50 IP address for your failover job.

- Add an existing rule:
 - a. Click **Add existing rule**.
 - b. The **Re-IP Rules** dialog opens. Select one or more appropriate Re-IP rules and close the dialog.

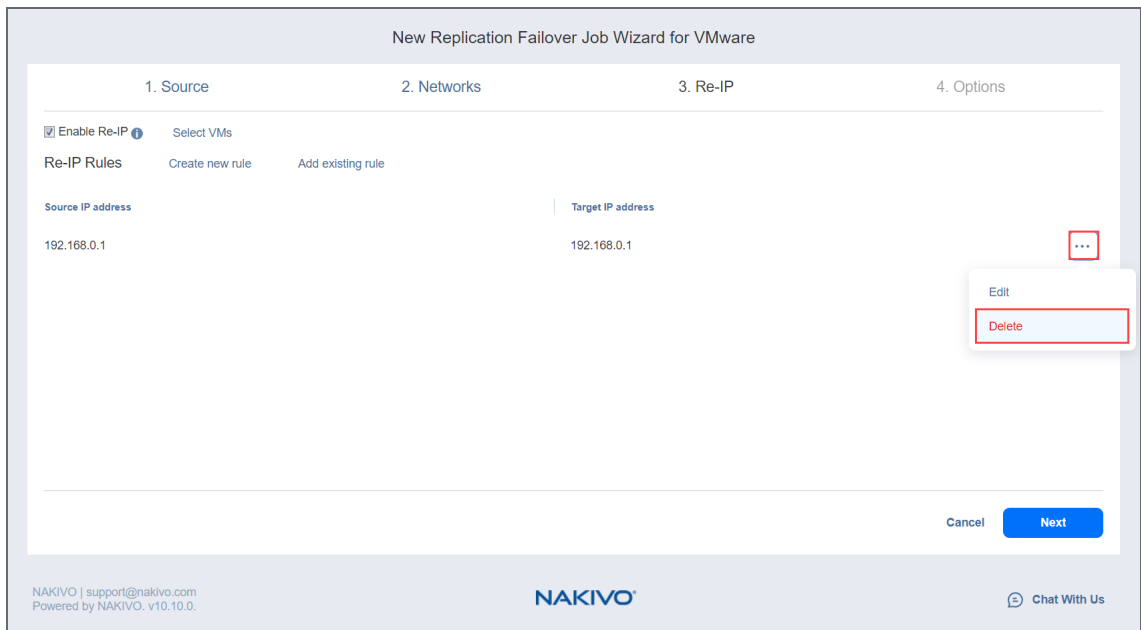


- Edit an existing Re-IP rule:
 - a. Hover over the required item in the Re-IP Rules list and then click the ellipsis **Manage** button to the right of the item. Then, click **Edit**.
 - b. The **Edit Re-IP Rule** dialog box opens. Edit the required properties of the Re-IP rule and

click **Save**.



- Delete an existing mapping: Hover over the required item in the Re-IP Rules list and then click the ellipsis **Manage** button to the right of the item. Then, click **Delete**.



- To leave the list of existing Re-IP rules intact, go to the next page of the wizard.

5. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Failover Job Wizard for VMware: Options

On this page of the wizard, set the options for the VMware failover job:

- [“Job Options” below](#)
- [“Pre and Post Actions” below](#)
- [“Completing the New Replication Failover Job Wizard for VMware” on the next page](#)

Job Options

The following failover job options are available for editing:

1. **Job name:** A string of 50 or fewer characters specifying the name of the failover job.
2. **Power off source VMs:** Select this checkbox to power off source VMs when the failover job has completed.

Pre and Post Actions

The following pre- and post-job actions can be set up:

1. **Send job run reports to:** When selected, a job report is sent to specified recipients each time the failover job has completed. This overrides the default setting in the NAKIVO Backup & Replication [“Settings” on page 353](#).
2. **Run local pre job script:** When selected, a dialog box opens in which you can specify the following options of the [pre-job script](#) to be executed:
 - **Script path:** A local path to the script on the machine where the **Director** is installed. A script interpreter should be specified as well.
 - **Job behavior:** The following options are available:
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** This is the default option.
 - **Do not wait for the script to finish.**
 - **Error handling:** The following options are available:
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** This is the default option.
 - **Fail the job on script failure.**
3. **Run local post job script:** When selected, a dialog box opens in which you can specify options of the post-job script to be executed on the machine where the product is installed. The options are

similar to the ones of the pre-job script.

The screenshot shows the 'New Replication Failover Job Wizard for VMware' interface. The wizard is currently on the '4. Options' step. The 'Job name' field is filled with 'Replication failover job for VMware'. Under 'Job Options', the checkbox for 'Power off source VMs' is checked. Under 'Pre and Post Actions', the checkbox for 'Send job run reports to' is checked, and the email address 'admin@nakivo.com' is entered in the adjacent field. The checkboxes for 'Run local pre job script' and 'Run local post job script' are unchecked. At the bottom right, there are three buttons: 'Cancel', 'Finish', and 'Finish & Run'. The 'Finish' button is highlighted in blue. The footer of the interface includes the NAKIVO logo and a 'Chat With Us' link.

Completing the New Replication Failover Job Wizard for VMware

Click **Finish** or **Finish & Run** to complete the job creation.

Note

If you click **Finish & Run**, you will have to define the scope of your job. Refer to [“Running Jobs on Demand” on page 317](#) for details.

Replica Failback for VMware

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can switch your VMware VM replicas back to the source or to a new location.

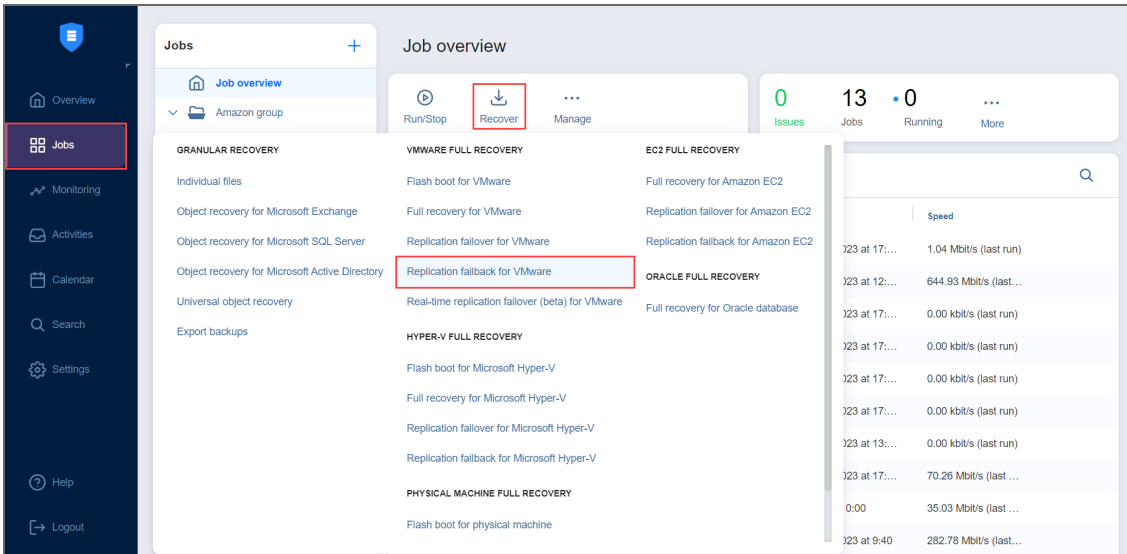
Refer to the following topics for more information:

- [“Starting Replica Failback for VMware” on page 967](#)
- [“Failback Job Wizard for VMware: Source” on page 968](#)
- [“Failback Job Wizard for VMware: Destination” on page 970](#)
- [“Failback Job Wizard for VMware: Networks” on page 973](#)
- [“Failback Job Wizard for VMware: Re-IP” on page 976](#)
- [“Failback Job Wizard for VMware: Options” on page 979](#)

Starting Replica Failback for VMware

Before starting replica failback for VMware vSphere, make sure that you have switched the replicas to the “Failover” state with a VMware Failover Job. Refer to [“Failover to Replica for VMware”](#) on page 955 for details.

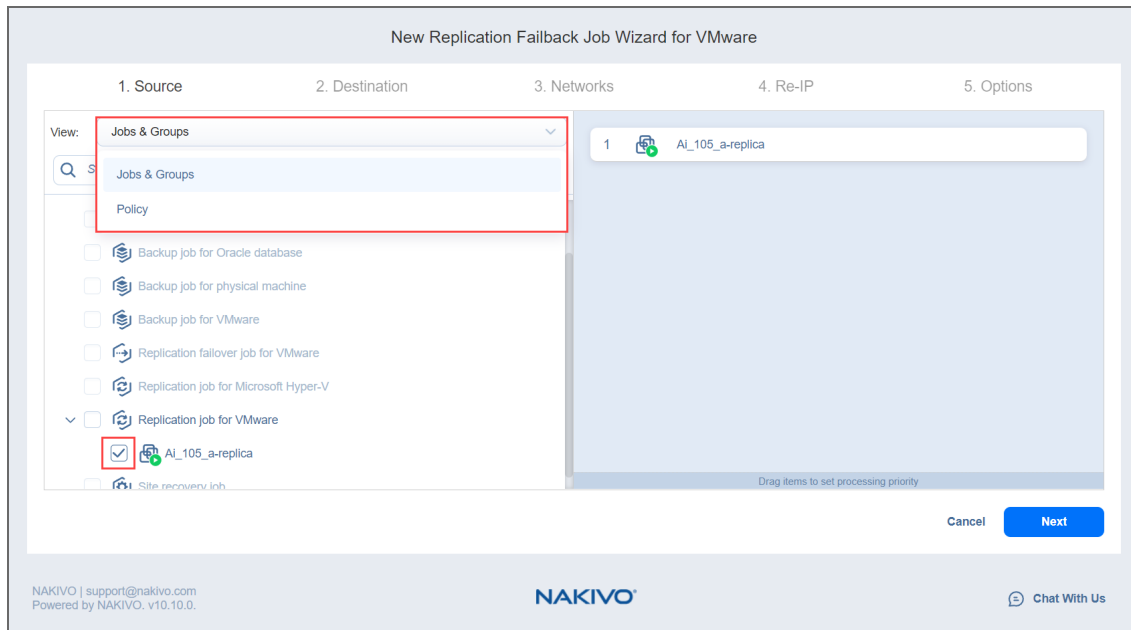
To start the failback procedure, click **Recover** in the **Jobs** menu and then click **Replication failback for VMware** in the **VMware Full Recovery** section. Alternatively, the failback can be performed by using the [search](#) function.



Failback Job Wizard for VMware: Source

On the **Source** page of the wizard, do the following:

1. In the left pane of the page, choose either of the following inventory views:
 - **Jobs & Groups:** When selected, the inventory tree displays groups, jobs, and backups of the appropriate hypervisor. You can select the required replica from the list of replication jobs.
 - **Policy:** When selected, job policies can be used. Refer to [“Managing Job Policies” on page 331](#) for details. If the items were selected in alternate views, a dialog box opens warning you that switching to the **Policy** view will reset your current selection. Click **Switch View** to confirm switching to the **Policy** view. Make sure that at least one item matches the available set of policy rules. Refer to [“Managing Policy Rules” on page 334](#) for details.
2. Select one or more replica VMware VMs in the left pane of the page.



Click **Next** to confirm adding selected replicas to the failback job. The wizard will display the next page.

Notes

- If you cannot find a replica or a container:
 - Make sure the corresponding vCenter or ESX(i) host has been [added to the inventory](#).
 - [Refresh inventory](#).
- Adding a VMware container to the job ensures that important replicas are always protected. If you add a VMware container to the job:
 - All replicas in the "Failover" state that are available in the selected container will be processed.
 - All new replicas that will be created in (or moved to) the container in the future will be automatically added to the job and processed.
- The order in which replicas are processed is important if the Transporter performing failback cannot process all replicas of the job simultaneously — either because the Transporter is processing other jobs at the same time or because the job contains more VM disks than the Transporter's maximum load specified during the Transporter creation.

Failback Job Wizard for VMware: Destination

On this page of the wizard, you can specify a failback destination for your VMware replicas. Failback to the original location will update/replace the existing source VM in the original location. Failback to the new location will create a new VM.

Note

When recovering a VMware VM from an ESXi 8.0 host to an ESXi 7.0 host, the **VirtualMachineConfigSpec > VirtualMachineSgxInfo** property is skipped.

Refer to the following subsections on providing a destination for your VMware vSphere Replica Failback job:

- [“Using Original VMware Failback Location”](#) below
- [“Creating New VMware Failback Location”](#) below
- [“Creating a Different VMware Failback Location for All Replicas”](#) on the next page

Using Original VMware Failback Location

To use the original location for your VMware failback job, follow the steps below:

1. In the **Failback location** list, choose **Original Location**.
2. Click **Next** to go to the **Networks** page of the wizard.

New Replication Failback Job Wizard for VMware

1. Source 2. Destination 3. Networks 4. Re-IP 5. Options

Failback location: Original location

Cancel **Next**

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Creating New VMware Failback Location

To create a new location for your VMware failback job, follow the steps below:

1. In the **Failback location** list, choose **New Location**.
2. In the **Container** list, choose a container for your failback location.

3. In the **Datastore** list, choose a datastore for your failback location.
4. Optionally, you can choose a target VM folder from the **VM folder** drop-down list.
5. Click **Next** to go to the **Networks** page of the wizard.

New Replication Failback Job Wizard for VMware

1. Source 2. Destination 3. Networks 4. Re-IP 5. Options

Fallback location:

Container:

Datastore:

VM folder:

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Creating a Different VMware Failback Location for All Replicas

To create a new failover location for every replica you've added to the job, click **Advanced options** and set up the options as described for **New Location**.

New Replication Failback Job Wizard for VMware

1. Source

2. Destination

3. Networks

4. Re-IP

5. Options

Failback location: **New location**

Container: 10.30.21.25

Datastore: 10.30.21.25-ssd0

VM folder: OS

Ai_105_a-replica

Click to collapse

Source

VM location: vCenter 10.84.84.9 > COSMONOVA > 10.30.21.81

VM resources: 2 CPU, 4.0 GB RAM

Disks

Hard disk 1: DCh-nbr-selfbackup-nfs (20.0 GB)

VM file: DCh-nbr-selfbackup-nfs

Target

Container: 10.30.21.25

Virtual Machine: *A new VM will be created*

VM folder: OS

Disks

Hard disk 1: 10.30.21.25-ssd0

VM file: 10.30.21.25-ssd0

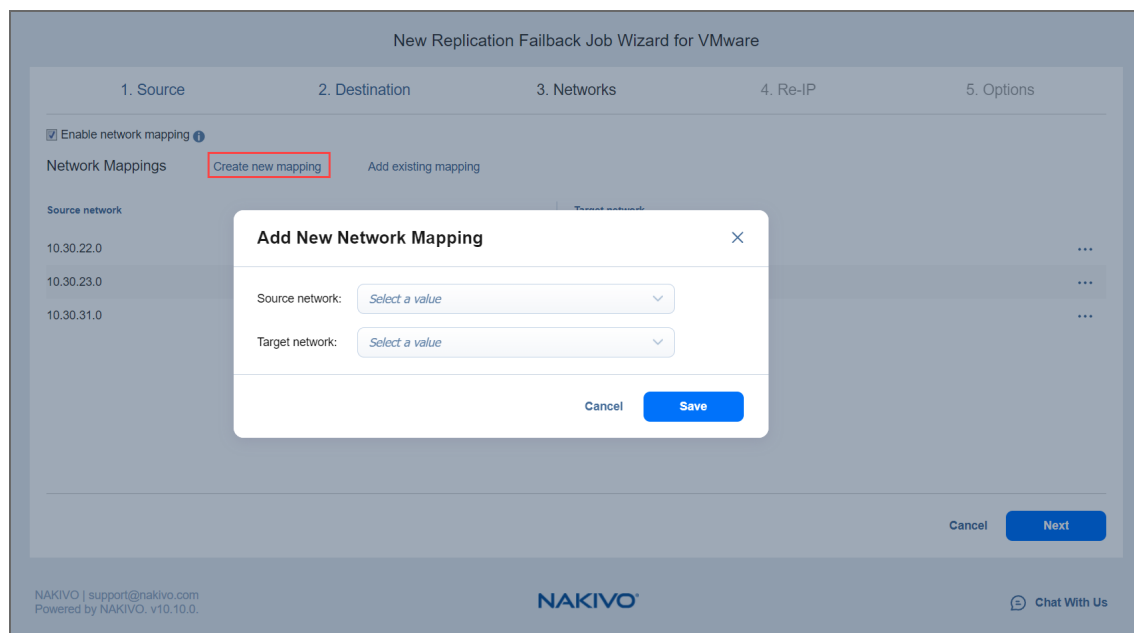
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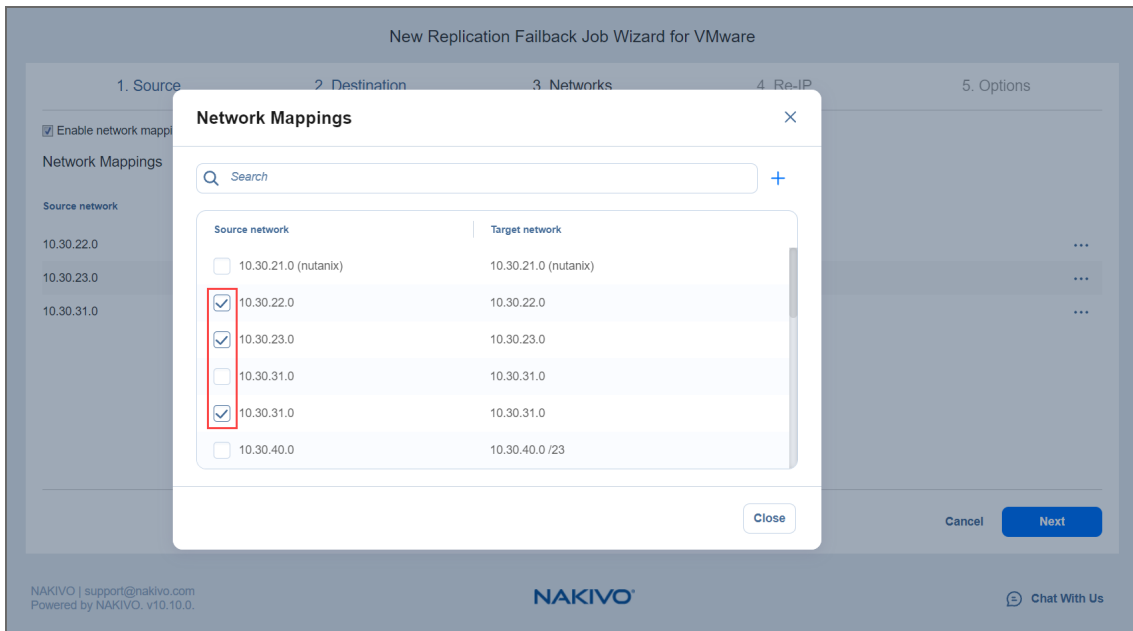
Failback Job Wizard for VMware: Networks

To map source VM virtual networks to appropriate target virtual networks, take the following actions on the **Networks** page of the wizard:

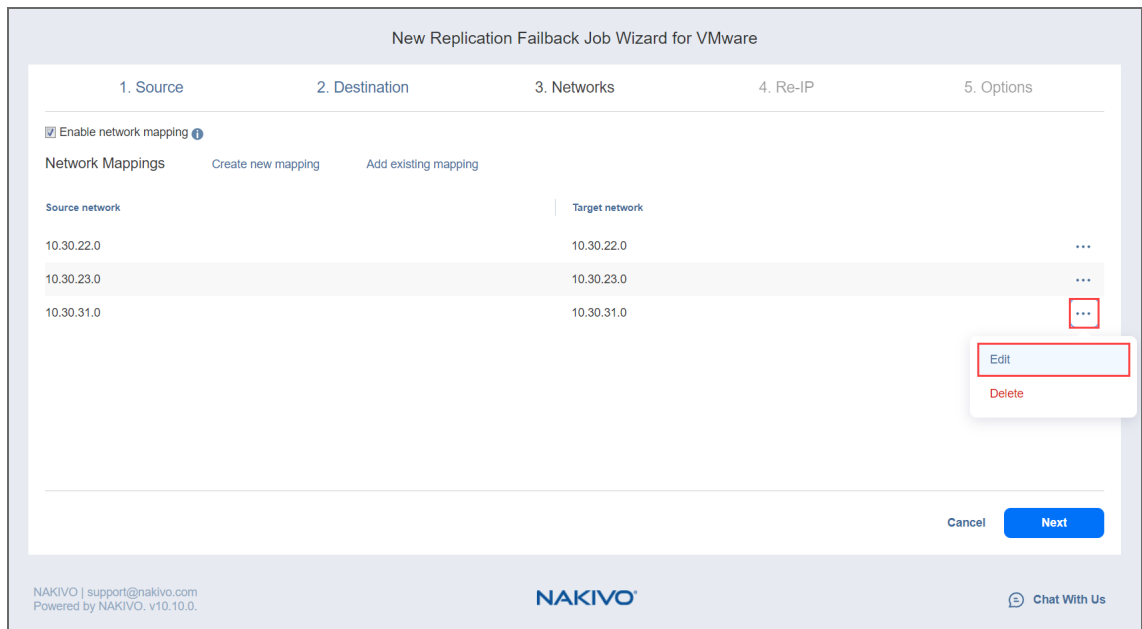
1. Select **Enable network mapping**.
2. The **Network Mappings** section opens. You have the following options:
 - Create a new mapping:
 - a. Click **Create new mapping**.
 - b. The **Add New Network Mapping** dialog opens. Choose a source network and a target network and click **Save**.



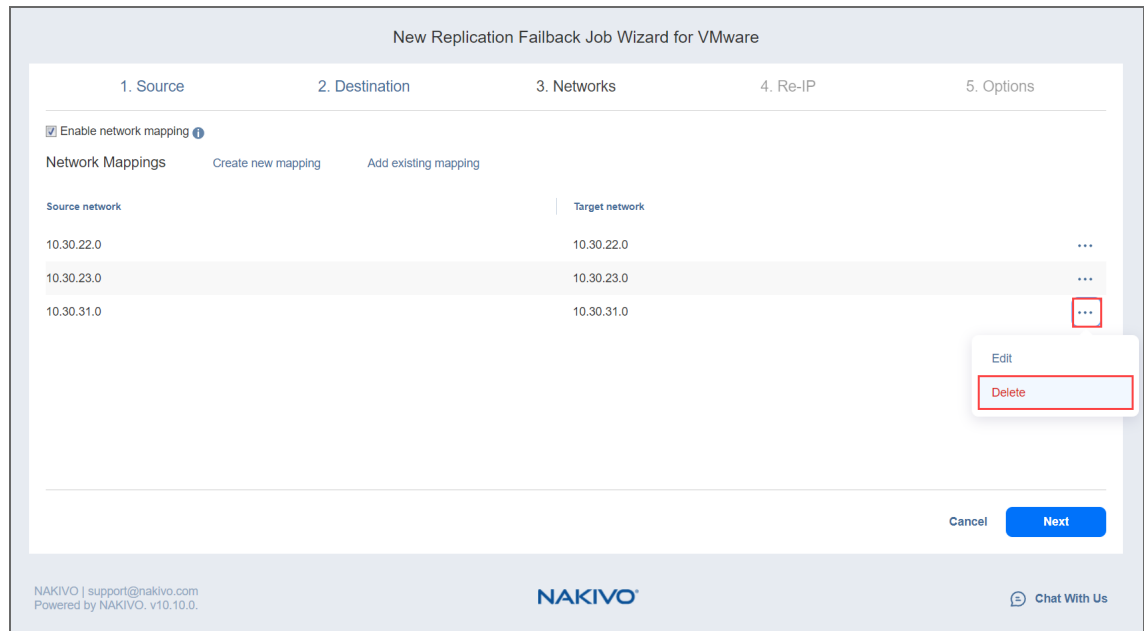
- Add an existing mapping:
 - a. Click **Add existing mapping**.
 - b. The **Network Mappings** dialog opens. Choose one or more appropriate network mappings and close the dialog box.



- Edit an existing mapping:
 - a. Hover the pointer over the necessary item in the **Network Mappings** list.
 - b. A toolbar with icons opens to the right of the item. Click the **Edit** button.
 - c. The **Edit Network Mapping** dialog opens. Choose an appropriate item from the **Target network** drop-down list and then click **Save**.

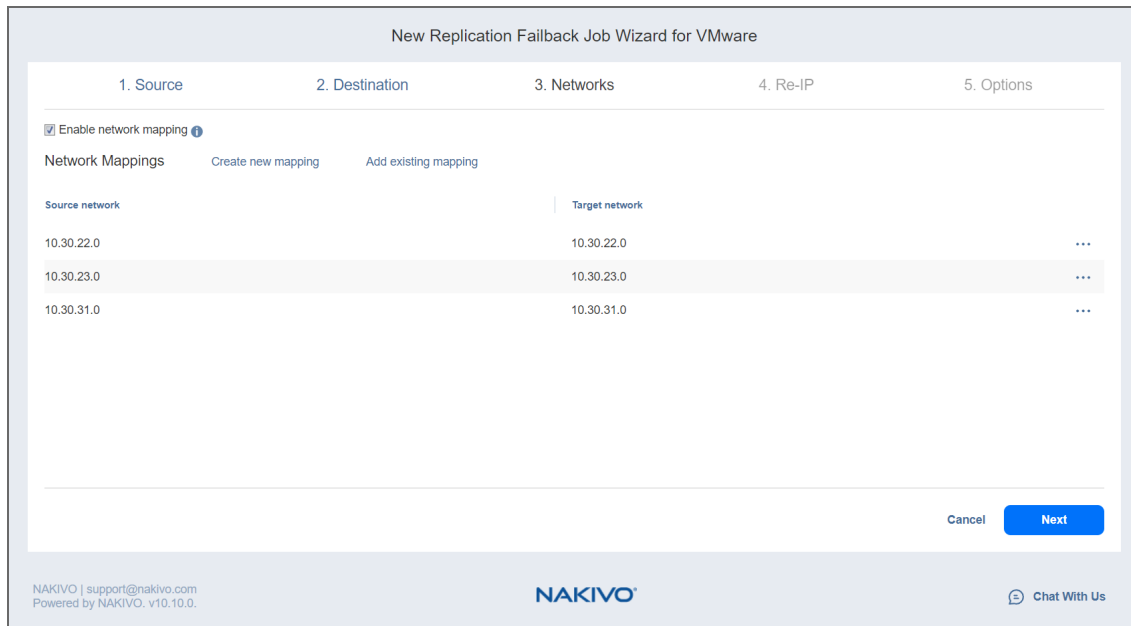


- Delete an existing mapping:
 - a. Hover the pointer over the necessary item in the **Network Mappings** list.
 - b. A toolbar with icons opens to the right of the item. Click the **Delete** icon.



- To leave the list of existing network mappings intact, go to the next page of the wizard.

3. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.



Failback Job Wizard for VMware: Re-IP

On the **Re-IP** page of the wizard, you can map a source VM IP address to a specific target IP address. Please proceed as follows:

1. Select **Enable Re-IP**.
2. The **Re-IP Rules** section opens. Click the **Select VMs** link.
3. The **Re-IP** dialog box opens. In the list of your source VMs, select at least one VM. Select the credentials to be used for each VM and close the dialog box.

Note

Re-IP rules will be applied only to VMs that have a static IPv4 address configured.

4. You have the following options:
 - Create a new rule:
 - a. Click **Create new rule**.
 - b. The **New Re-IP Rule** dialog opens. Enter source and target settings for the Re-IP rule and click **Save**.

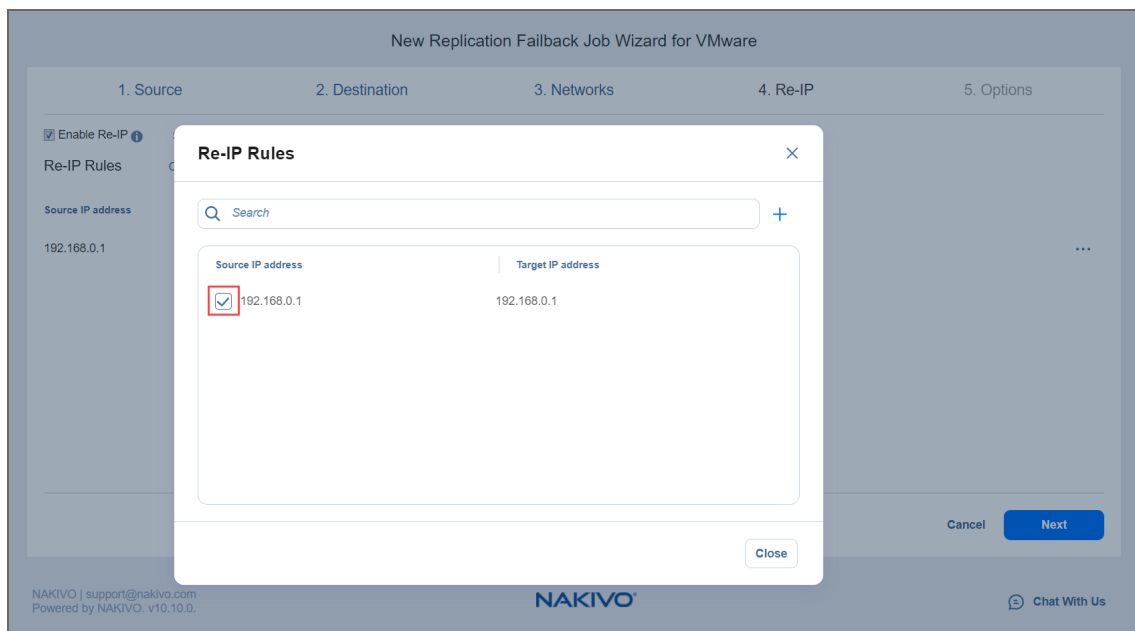
Note

You can use wildcards for IP addresses.

Example

When you enter 192.168.1.* -> 10.30.30.* Re-IP rule, the source VM IP address such as 192.168.1.50 will be changed to the 10.30.30.50 IP address for your replica failback job. When there are several Re-IP rules applicable to your source VM, the application will define the most suitable one and apply it to the source VM IP address.

- Add an existing rule:
 - a. Click **Add existing rule**.
 - b. The **Re-IP Rules** dialog opens.
 - c. Choose an appropriate Re-IP rule and close the dialog.



- Edit an existing Re-IP rule:
 - a. Hover the pointer over the required item in the **Re-IP Rules** list.
 - b. A toolbar with icons opens to the right of the item. Click the **Edit** button.
 - c. The **Edit Re-IP Rule** dialog opens. Edit the required properties of the Re-IP rule and click **Save**.
 - Delete an existing mapping:
 - a. Hover the pointer over the required item in the **Re-IP Rules** list.
 - b. A toolbar with icons opens to the right of the item. Click the **Delete** icon.
 - To leave the list of existing Re-IP rules intact, go to the next page of the wizard.
5. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

New Replication Failback Job Wizard for VMware

1. Source

2. Destination

3. Networks

4. Re-IP

5. Options

Enable Re-IP ⓘ Select VMs

Re-IP Rules Create new rule Add existing rule

Source IP address

192.168.0.1

Target IP address

192.168.0.1

...

Cancel

Next

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Failback Job Wizard for VMware: Options

On the **Options** page of the wizard, specify options for the VMware Failback job as described in the following sections:

- “Job Options” below
- “Pre and Post Actions” below
- “Data Transfer” on the next page

Job Options

1. In the **Job name** box, enter a string of 50 or fewer characters specifying the name of your failback job.
2. Select a **Job Priority** level between 1 and 5, with 1 being the highest priority. Jobs with higher priority levels are prioritized by **Transporters** during job processing.

Note

This option is only available in the Enterprise, Enterprise Essentials, Enterprise Plus, MSP Enterprise, and MSP Enterprise Plus editions.

3. Select **Power off replica VMs** to power off the replica workloads during the failback.

The screenshot shows the 'New Replication Failback Job Wizard for VMware' interface, specifically the 'Options' step. The wizard is divided into five steps: 1. Source, 2. Destination, 3. Networks, 4. Re-IP, and 5. Options. The 'Job Options' section is highlighted with a red box and contains the following fields:

- Job name: Replication failback job for VMware
- Job priority: 5
- App-aware mode: Enabled (proceed on error)
- Power off replica VMs

Below the 'Job Options' section are the 'Pre and Post Actions' and 'Data Transfer' sections. The 'Pre and Post Actions' section includes:

- Send job run reports to: admin@nakivo.com
- Run local pre job script
- Run local post job script

The 'Data Transfer' section includes:

- Transport mode: Automatic selection
- Transporter pool: Select transporter pool
- Transporters: Automatic selection
- Limit transporter load to: 3 concurrent tasks
- Bandwidth throttling: Disabled
- Bottleneck detection

At the bottom right of the wizard, there are three buttons: 'Cancel', 'Finish', and 'Finish & Run'. The footer of the wizard includes the NAKIVO logo and contact information: 'NAKIVO | support@nakivo.com Powered by NAKIVO. v10.10.0.' and a 'Chat With Us' button.

Pre and Post Actions

If needed, enable pre and post actions:

1. **Send job run reports to:** When selected, a job report is sent to specified recipients each time the failback job has completed. This overrides the default setting in the NAKIVO Backup & Replication “Settings” on page 353 dashboard.

2. **Run local pre job script:** When selected, a dialog box opens in which you can specify the following options of the [pre-job script](#) to be run:
 - **Script path:** A local path to the script on the machine where the **Director** is installed. A script interpreter should be specified as well.
 - **Job behavior:** The following options are available:
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** This is the default option.
 - **Do not wait for the script to finish.**
 - **Error handling:** The following options are available:
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** This is the default option.
 - **Fail the job on script failure.**
3. **Run local post job script:** When selected, a dialog box opens in which you can specify options of the post-job script to be executed on the machine where the product is installed. Proceed with setting the options as described for **Run local pre job script**.

The screenshot shows the 'New Replication Failback Job Wizard for VMware' dialog box, specifically the 'Options' tab. The wizard is divided into five steps: 1. Source, 2. Destination, 3. Networks, 4. Re-IP, and 5. Options. The 'Options' tab is active, showing various configuration options. A red box highlights the 'Pre and Post Actions' section, which includes the following options:

- Send job run reports to: admin@nakivo.com
- Run local pre job script
- Run local post job script

Other visible options include 'Job name' (Replication failback job for VMware), 'Job priority' (5), 'App-aware mode' (Enabled (proceed on error)), 'Power off replica VMs' (checked), 'Transport mode' (Automatic selection), 'Transporter pool' (Select transporter pool), 'Transporters' (Automatic selection), 'Limit transporter load to' (3 concurrent tasks), and 'Bandwidth throttling' (Disabled). At the bottom right, there are buttons for 'Cancel', 'Finish', and 'Finish & Run'. The footer contains the NAKIVO logo and contact information.

Data Transfer

In the *Data Transfer* section of the **Options** page, you can select a transport mode and select a **Transporter** to be used for reading data. Proceed as described in the sections below.

Transport Mode

Transport mode defines the method of VM data retrieval by a source **Transporter**. Select one of the following:

- **Automatic selection:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication automatically selects the best transport mode available:

- When the source **Transporter** is installed on a VM, NAKIVO Backup & Replication tries to use transport modes in the following order: Hot Add > SAN > LAN.
- When the source **Transporter** is installed on a physical machine, NAKIVO Backup & Replication tries to use transport modes in the following order: SAN > LAN. Hot Add is not supported for physical machines.
- **SAN only:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication only uses [direct SAN access](#) to retrieve VM data. If direct SAN access to VM data is not available, the job fails.
- **Hot Add only:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication only uses [Hot Add](#) to retrieve VM data. If direct Hot Add is not available, the job fails.
- **LAN only:** When this option is selected, NAKIVO Backup & Replication only retrieves VM data over LAN.

Transporter Pool

If this option is enabled, only the transporters that belong to the selected transporter pool shall be used during the job run.

Transporters

By default, the product automatically determines which **Transporter** should be used to read data from the source VM. However, you can manually specify which **Transporters** should be used for the job. Here's how: In the *Data Transfer* section, choose one of the following options:

- **Automatic selection:** The product will automatically determine which **Transporters** are the closest to source hosts (the hosts that run selected VMs) and will use those **Transporters** to retrieve data from source VMs.
- **Manual - configured for all VMs:** Select this option to manually specify a single **Transporter** that will be used to retrieve data from source VMs.
- **Manual - configured per host:** Select this option to manually specify which **Transporter** should be used to retrieve data from each source host. When selected, the **Replacement Transporter** drop-down list becomes available. In case a primary Transporter is unavailable, a replacement **Transporter** will be used. Note that the product selects what **Transporter** to use (primary or replacement) at the beginning of the job run, not while the job is running.

Transporter Load

You can limit the maximum number of **Transporter** tasks used by the job. By default, this number is set to 3 concurrent tasks.

To change the default number of tasks, do the following:

1. In the *Data Transfer* section, select the **Limit transporter load to** checkbox.
2. Specify the number of concurrent tasks in the corresponding box.

Bandwidth Throttling

Follow the steps below to regulate the speed of data transfer over the network for your backup job:

1. For the **Bandwidth throttling** option, choose **Enabled**.

Note

If bandwidth throttling is disabled for the current job, global bandwidth rules may still apply to your job. Refer to [“Bandwidth Throttling” on page 355](#) for details.

2. Click the **settings** link that becomes available.
3. The **Job Bandwidth Rules** dialog box opens, displaying the list of available rules. You have the following options:
 - Create a new bandwidth rule for your backup job:
 - a. Click the **Create New Rule** button.
 - b. The **New Bandwidth Rule** dialog box opens. Refer to the [“Bandwidth Throttling” on page 355](#) topic for details on creating a bandwidth rule.
 - c. Click **Save**.
 - Activate an existing bandwidth rule for your job. Select the checkbox to the left of the required bandwidth rule. To deactivate a bandwidth rule for your job, deselect the corresponding checkbox.
 - Edit a bandwidth rule. Click the **Edit** link for a bandwidth rule and modify it in the **Edit Bandwidth Rule** dialog box that opens.
 - Disable a bandwidth rule. Click the **Disable** link. The bandwidth rule is disabled for all jobs.
 - Remove a bandwidth rule. Click the **Remove** link and then click **Delete** to confirm your operation.

Bottleneck detection

When the **Bottleneck detection** option is enabled, additional information is collected and recorded in NAKIVO Backup & Replication logs in the course of data transfer for the purpose of bottleneck detection. Check this option to enable the **Bottleneck detection** capability of the Transporters engaged in the job. Click **Finish** or **Finish & Run** to complete the job creation.

New Replication Failback Job Wizard for VMware

1. Source

2. Destination

3. Networks

4. Re-IP

5. Options

Job Options

Job name:

Job priority: ⓘ

App-aware mode: ⓘ settings

Power off replica VMs

Pre and Post Actions

Send job run reports to ⓘ

Run local pre job script ⓘ

Run local post job script ⓘ

Data Transfer

Transport mode: ⓘ

Transporter pool: ⓘ

Transporters: ⓘ

Limit transporter load to concurrent tasks ⓘ

Bandwidth throttling: ⓘ

Bottleneck detection ⓘ

Cancel

Finish

Finish & Run

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Note

If you click **Finish & Run**, you will have to define the scope of your job. Refer to [“Running Jobs on Demand”](#) on page 317 for details.

Real-Time Replication Failover (Beta) for VMware

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can switch your VMware VM to its latest real-time replica in case of failure.

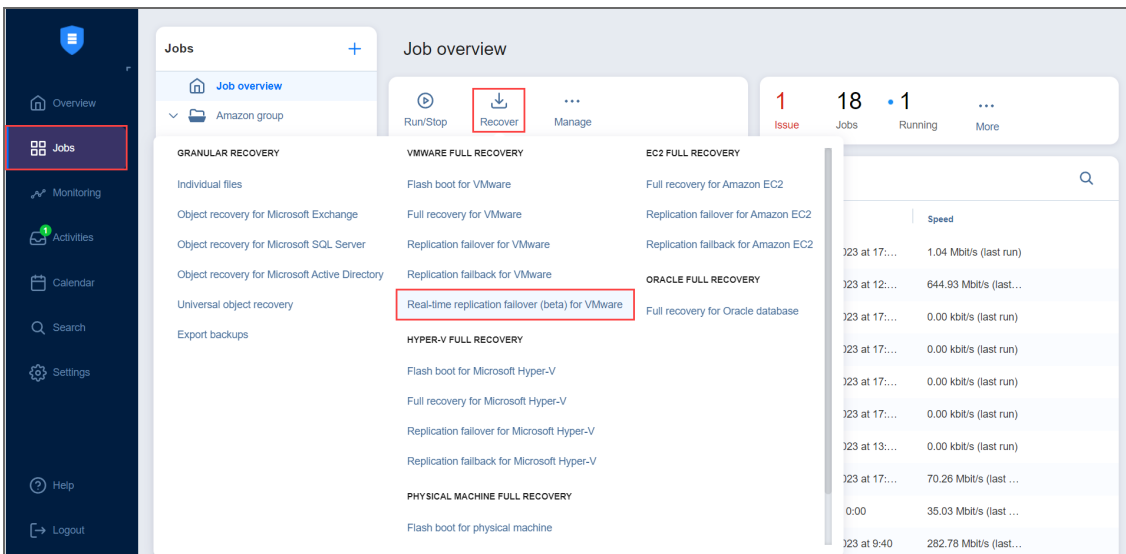
Refer to the following topics for more information:

- [“Starting Real-Time Replication Failover \(Beta\) for VMware” below](#)
- [“Real-Time Replication Failover \(Beta\) Job Wizard for VMware: Source” below](#)
- [“Real-Time Replication Failover \(Beta\) Job Wizard for VMware: Networks” on page 986](#)
- [“Real-Time Replication Failover \(Beta\) Job Wizard for VMware: Re-IP” on page 989](#)
- [“Real-Time Replication Failover \(Beta\) Job Wizard for VMware: Options” on page 991](#)

Starting Real-Time Replication Failover (Beta) for VMware

Before starting a real-time replication failover job for VMware, make sure that you have an active real-time replication job for VMware available. Refer to [“Creating VMware Real-Time Replication \(Beta\) Jobs” on page 820](#) for details.

To start the real-time replication failover process, select the relevant real-time replication job for VMware and click **Recover** > **Real-time replication failover (beta) for VMware**. Note that the real-time replication job for VMware must be running successfully (or was running successfully before and now is stopped) for this option to be available.

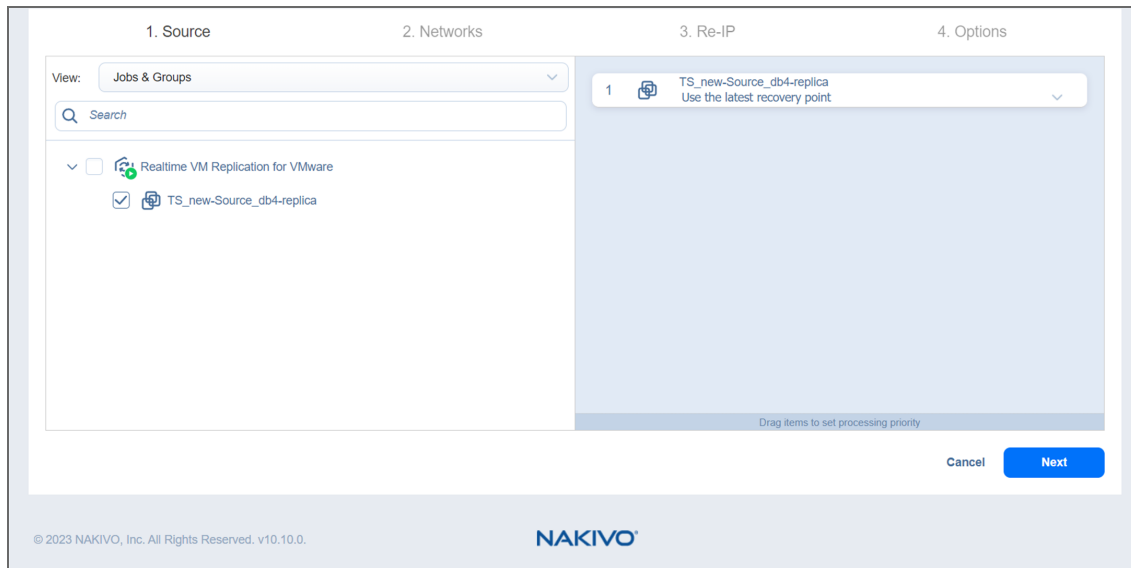


The **Real-Time Replication Failover Job Wizard for VMware** opens.

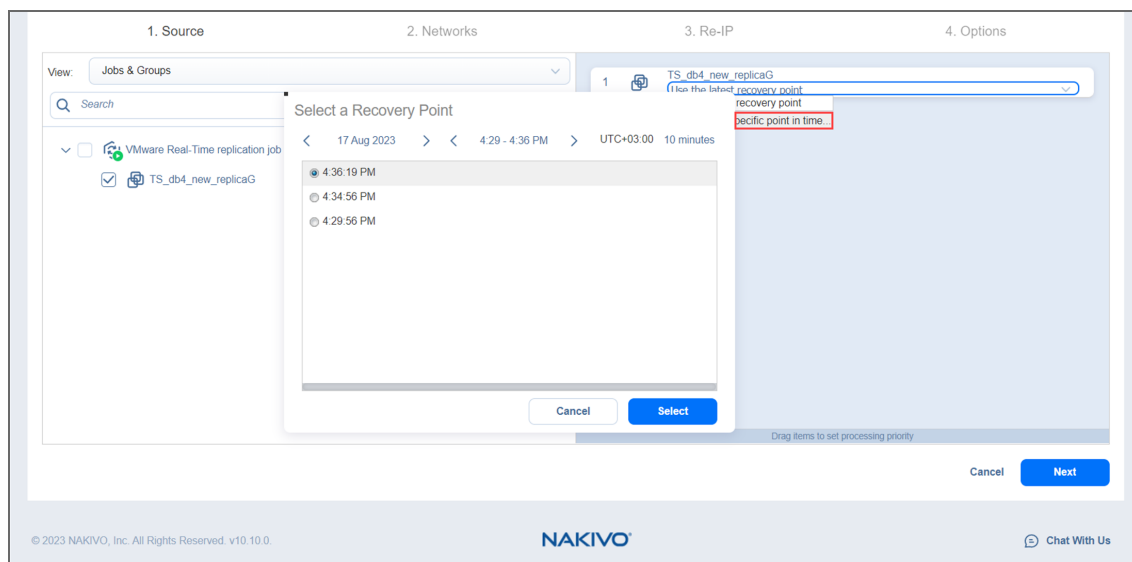
Real-Time Replication Failover (Beta) Job Wizard for VMware: Source

The **Real-Time Replication Failover Job Wizard for VMware** allows you to restore a real-time replica to a specific point in time. On the **Source** page of the wizard, do the following:

1. In the left pane of the page, choose either of the following inventory views:
 - **Jobs & Groups:** When selected, the inventory tree displays groups, jobs, and backups of the appropriate hypervisor. You can select the required replica from the list of replication jobs.
 - **Policy:** When selected, job policies can be used. Refer to [“Managing Job Policies” on page 331](#) for details. If the items were selected in alternate views, a dialog box opens warning you that switching to the Policy view will reset your current selection. Click **Switch View** to confirm switching to the **Policy** view. Make sure that at least one item matches the available set of policy rules. Refer to [“Managing Policy Rules” on page 334](#) for details.
2. Select one or more source VMware VMs in the left pane and then select a recovery point for each source VM in the right pane. By default, the option **Use the latest recovery point** is selected.



3. To restore to a specific recovery point, click the drop-down below a chosen object and select **Restore to a specific point in time**. In the **Select a Recovery Point** dialog box, choose a recovery point from the list and click **Select**.



Notes

- If the selected date has no recovery points, the text "No items available." will be displayed in the **Select a Recovery Point** dialog box.
- If the replica VM is powered on, the error message will be displayed with the text "Cannot open the journal. The replica is running."
- For one real-time replication failover job for VMware, the Transporter's maximum capacity is limited to 11 source VMs in case there is one disk per VM or up to 50 disks per source VM. For more information, see [this article](#).

4. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

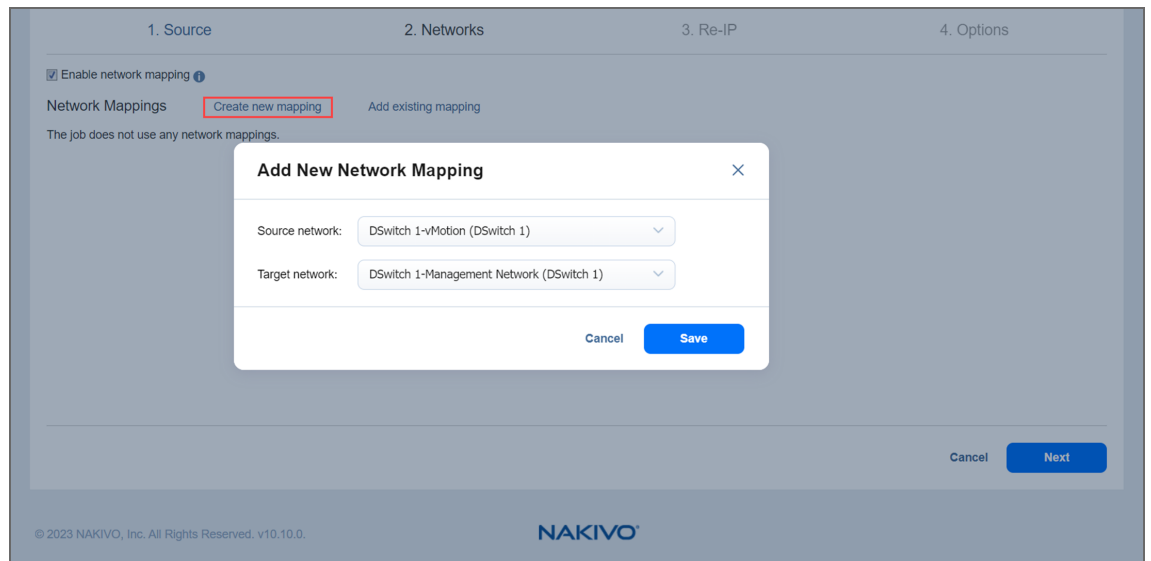
Real-Time Replication Failover (Beta) Job Wizard for VMware: Networks

When the real-time replica network – or target VMware virtual network – differs from the network address where the source VMs are deployed – or source VMware virtual network – your failover job needs a relation between these networks to be performed successfully. Such relation is called a network mapping.

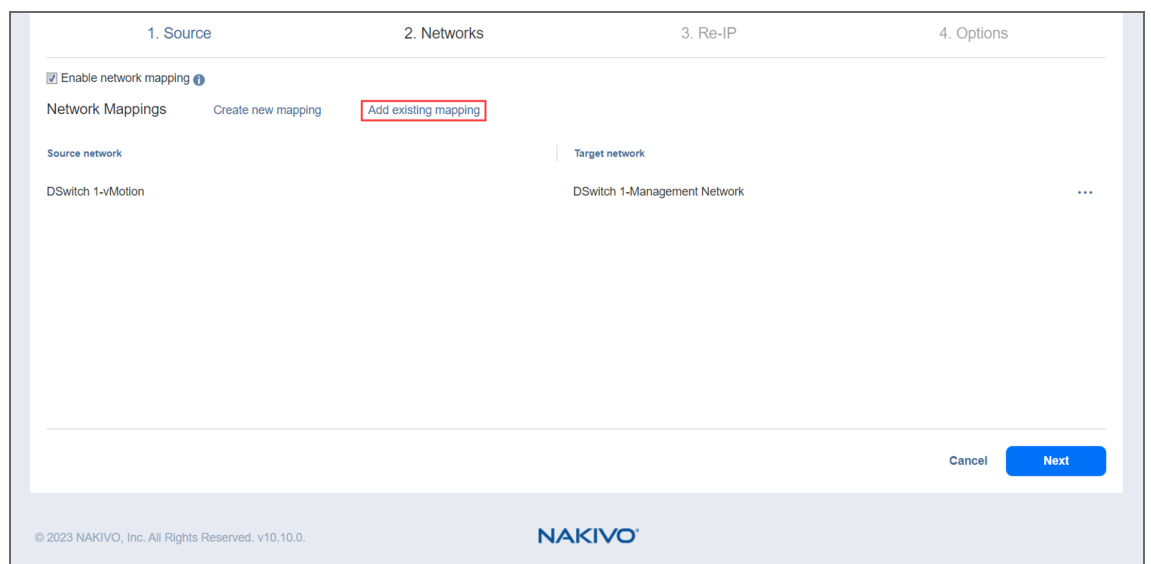
To map source VMware virtual networks to appropriate target virtual networks, please do the following on the **Networks** page of the wizard:

1. Select **Enable network mapping**.
2. The **Network Mappings** dialog box opens. You have the following options:

- Create a new network mapping:
 - a. Click **Create new mapping**.
 - b. The **Add New Network Mapping** dialog opens. Choose a source network and a target network and click **Save**.

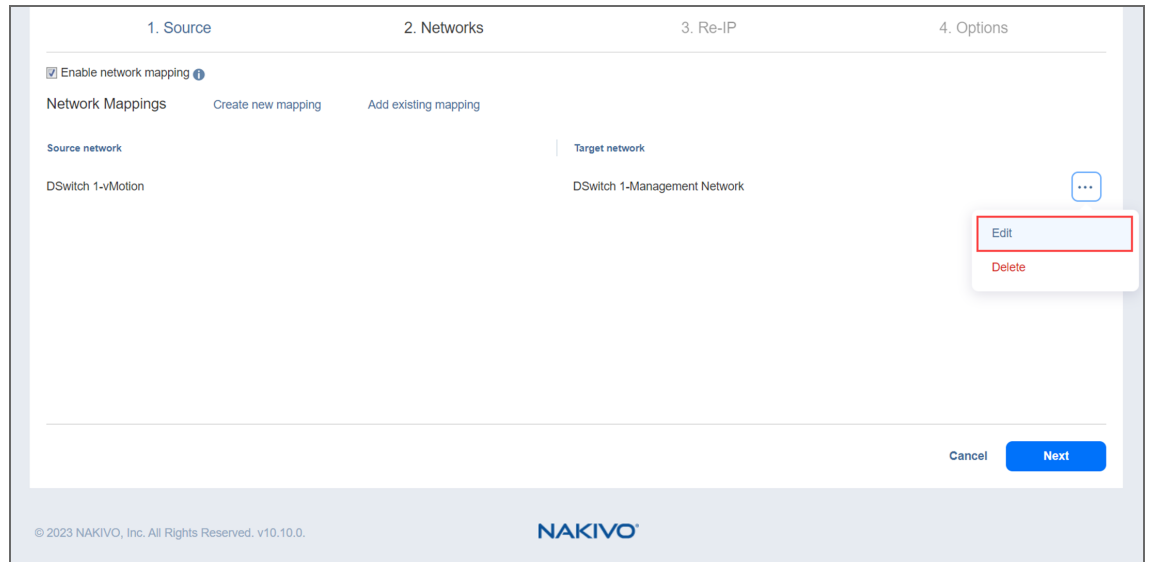


- Add an existing network mapping:
 - a. Click **Add existing mapping**.
 - b. The **Network Mappings** dialog opens. Choose one or more appropriate network mappings and close the dialog box.

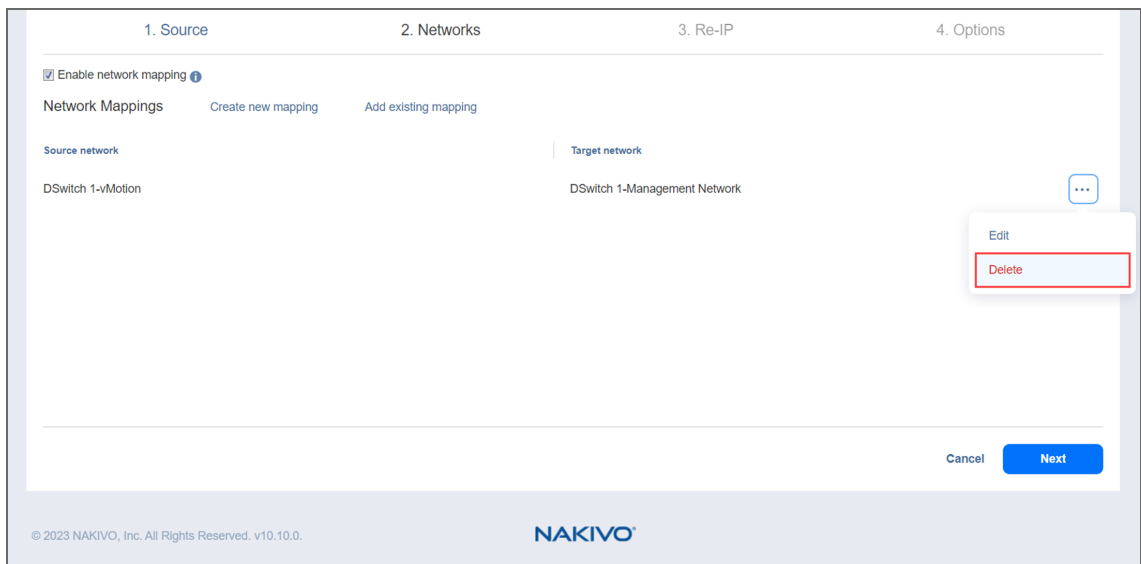


- Edit an existing network mapping:

- a. Hover over the necessary item in the **Network Mappings** list and then click the ellipsis **Manage** button to the right of the item. Then, click **Edit**.
- b. The **Edit Network Mapping** dialog box opens. Choose an appropriate item from the **Target network** drop-down list and then click **Save**.



- Delete an existing mapping: hover over the necessary item in the **Network Mappings** list and then click the ellipsis **Manage** button to the right of the item. Then, click **Delete**.



- To leave the list of existing network mappings intact, go to the next page of the wizard.

3. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Real-Time Replication Failover (Beta) Job Wizard for VMware: Re-IP

When the IP addressing scheme for the target real-time replica differs from the IP addressing scheme for the VMware source VMs, your failover job needs relations between source VMs addresses and the target replica VMs addresses to be performed successfully. These relations are called re-IP rules.

Note

VMware Tools must be running on source VMs to successfully enable re-IP for your failover job.

To map a source VM IP address to a specific target IP address, do the following on the Re-IP page of the wizard:

1. Select **Enable Re-IP**.
2. The **Re-IP Rules** section opens. Click the **Select VMs** link.
3. The **Re-IP dialog** box opens. In the list of your source VMs, select at least one VM and close the dialog box.
4. You have the following options:
 - Create a new rule:
 - a. Click **Create new rule**.
 - b. The **New Re-IP Rule** dialog opens. Enter source and target settings for the Re-IP rule and click **Save**.

1. Setup

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Enable Re-IP

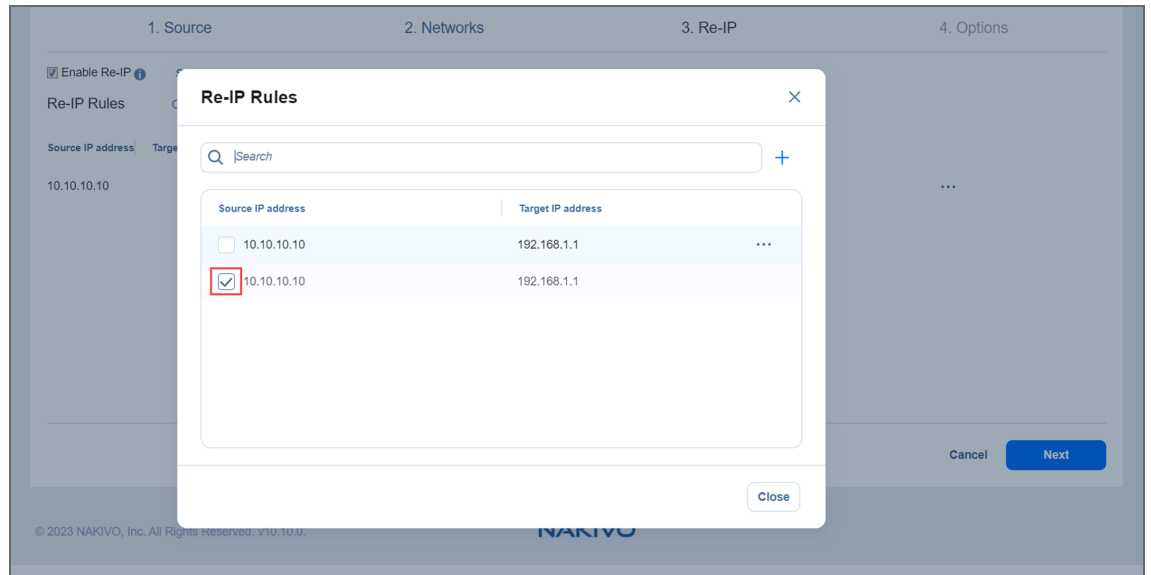
Re-IP Rules

The job does not use any

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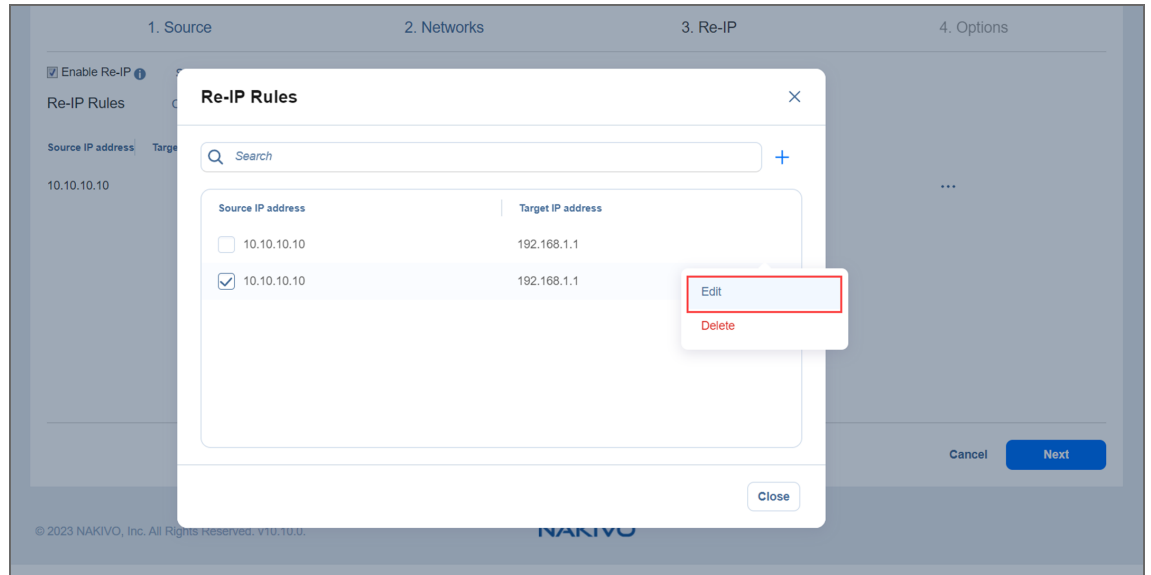
Note that you can use wildcards for IP addresses. For example, if you enter *192.168.1.** -> *10.30.30.** for the re-IP rule, a source VM IP address such as *192.168.1.50* will be changed to the *10.30.30.50* IP address for your failover job.

- Add an existing rule:
 - a. Click **Add existing rule**.
 - b. The **Re-IP Rules** dialog opens. Select one or more appropriate Re-IP rules and close the dialog.

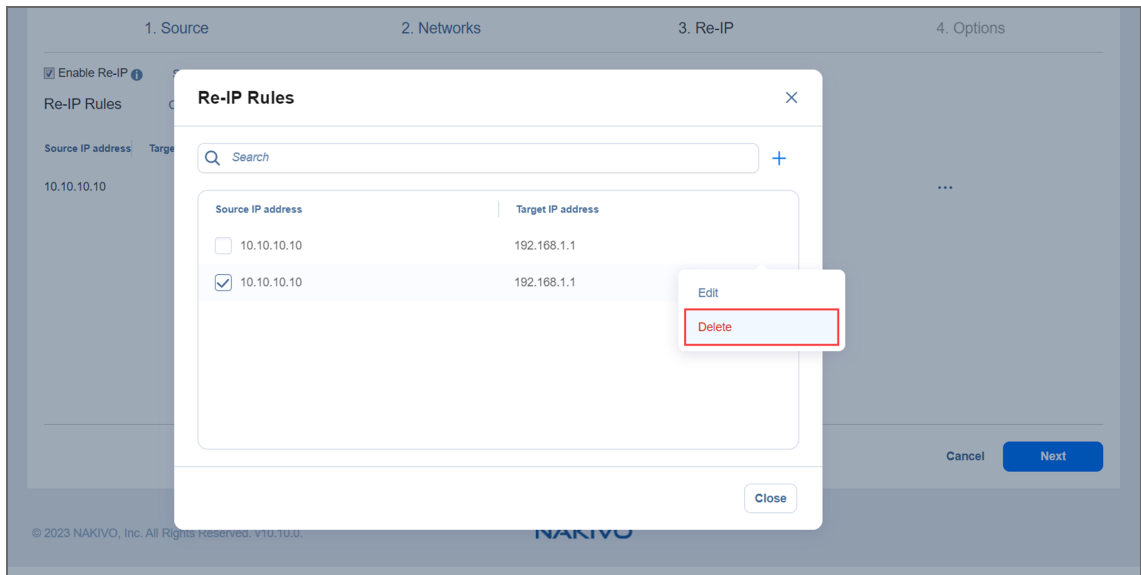


- Edit an existing Re-IP rule:
 - a. Hover over the required item in the Re-IP Rules list and then click the ellipsis **Manage** button to the right of the item. Then, click **Edit**.
 - b. The **Edit Re-IP Rule** dialog box opens. Edit the required properties of the Re-IP rule and

click **Save**.



- Delete an existing mapping: Hover over the required item in the Re-IP Rules list and then click the ellipsis **Manage** button to the right of the item. Then, click **Delete**.



- To leave the list of existing Re-IP rules intact, go to the next page of the wizard.

5. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Real-Time Replication Failover (Beta) Job Wizard for VMware: Options

On this page of the wizard, set the options for the VMware real-time replication failover job for VMware:

- [“Job Options” on the next page](#)
- [“Pre and Post Actions” on the next page](#)

- [“Completing the New Real-Time Replication Failover \(Beta\) Job Wizard for VMware ”](#) on the next page

Job Options

The following failover job options are available for editing:

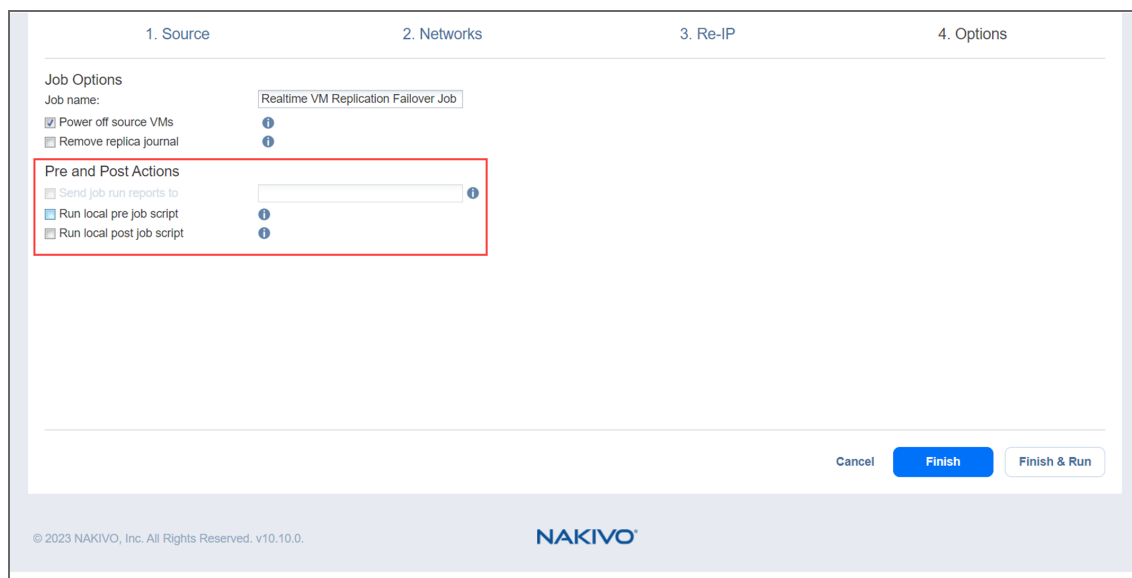
1. **Job name:** A string of 50 or fewer characters specifying the name of the failover job.
2. **Power off source VMs:** Select this checkbox to power off source VMs when the failover job has completed.
3. **Remove replica journal:** Select this checkbox to remove the replica journal during failover.

The screenshot displays the 'Options' step of the NAKIVO Job Wizard. The interface is divided into four tabs: '1. Source', '2. Networks', '3. Re-IP', and '4. Options'. The '4. Options' tab is active. A red box highlights the 'Job Options' section, which includes a text input for 'Job name' containing 'Realttime VM Replication Failover Job', and two checked checkboxes: 'Power off source VMs' and 'Remove replica journal'. Below this, the 'Pre and Post Actions' section contains three unchecked checkboxes: 'Send job run reports to', 'Run local pre job script', and 'Run local post job script'. At the bottom right of the wizard are three buttons: 'Cancel', 'Finish', and 'Finish & Run'. The footer of the wizard shows the copyright notice '© 2023 NAKIVO, Inc. All Rights Reserved. v10.10.0.' and the NAKIVO logo.

Pre and Post Actions

The following pre- and post-job actions can be set up:

1. **Send job run reports to:** When selected, a job report is sent to specified recipients each time the failover job has completed. To enable this option, configure your [Email settings](#). This overrides the default setting in the NAKIVO Backup & Replication [“Settings”](#) on page 353.



2. **Run local pre job script:** When selected, a dialog box opens in which you can specify the following options of the [pre-job script](#) to be executed:
 - **Script path:** A local path to the script on the machine where the **Director** is installed. A script interpreter should be specified as well.
 - **Job behavior:** The following options are available:
 - **Wait for the script to finish:** This is the default option.
 - **Do not wait for the script to finish.**
 - **Error handling:** The following options are available:
 - **Continue the job on script failure:** This is the default option.
 - **Fail the job on script failure.**
3. **Run local post job script:** When selected, a dialog box opens in which you can specify options of the post-job script to be executed on the machine where the product is installed. The options are similar to the ones of the pre-job script.

Completing the New Real-Time Replication Failover (Beta) Job Wizard for VMware

Click **Finish** or **Finish & Run** to complete the job creation.

Note

If you click **Finish & Run**, you will have to define the scope of your job. Refer to [“Running Jobs on Demand” on page 317](#) for details.

Site Recovery Job

Site recovery job is a special job that automates execution of one or multiple site recovery actions. You can execute your site recovery job on demand or on schedule. The list of available actions can be found under [Site Recovery Job Wizard: Actions](#).

Creating a site recovery job is done with a wizard and includes the following steps:

- [“Creating Site Recovery Job” on page 995](#)
- [“Running Site Recovery Job” on page 1028](#)

Creating Site Recovery Job

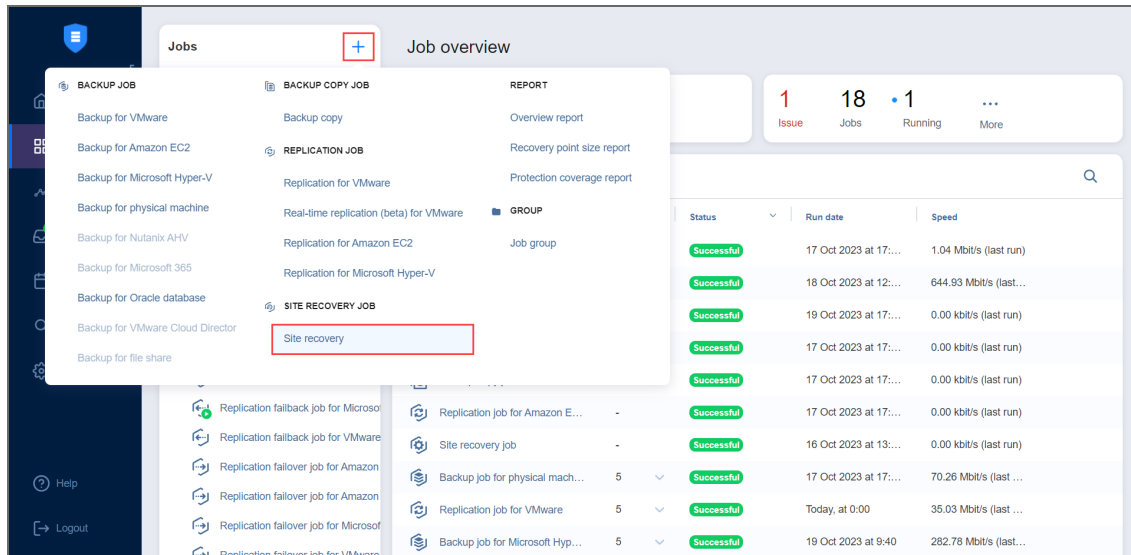
Creating a site recovery job is done with a wizard and includes the following steps:

- [“Starting Site Recovery Job Wizard” on page 996](#)
- [“Site Recovery Job Wizard: Actions” on page 997](#)
- [“Site Recovery Job Wizard: Networks” on page 1016](#)
- [“Site Recovery Job Wizard: Re-IP” on page 1019](#)
- [“Site Recovery Job Wizard: Test Schedule” on page 1022](#)
- [“Site Recovery Job Wizard: Options” on page 1027](#)

Starting Site Recovery Job Wizard

Follow the steps below to start creating a site recovery job:

1. Go to the **Jobs** menu and click the plus **Create** button.
2. In the menu that opens, click **Site recovery**.



The **New Site Recovery Job Wizard** opens.

Site Recovery Job Wizard: Actions

On the **Actions** page of the **Site Recovery Job wizard**, you can add one or more actions to a Site Recovery job. Refer to the subsections below for details:

- [Actions Available for Site Recovery Job](#)
- [Managing Actions of Site Recovery Job](#)
- [Options Common to Most Actions](#)

When finished with adding actions to a Site Recovery job, click **Next** to go to the **Networks** page of the **Site Recovery Job Wizard**.

Actions Available for Site Recovery Job

The list of actions available for a Site Recovery job is available in the left pane. It includes the following:

- [“Failover VMware VMs Action” on page 999](#)
- [“Failback VMware VMs Action” on page 1001](#)
- [“Start VMs / Instances Action” on page 1005](#)
- [“Stop VMs / Instances Action” on page 1007](#)
- [“Run / Stop Jobs Action” on page 1009](#)
- [“Run Script Action” on page 1010](#)
- [“Attach / Detach Repository Action” on page 1011](#)
- [“Send Email Action” on page 1012](#)
- [“Wait Action” on page 1013](#)
- [“Check Condition Action” on page 1014](#)

To add an action to a Site Recovery job, click the corresponding item in the actions list and follow the instructions of the wizard that opens.

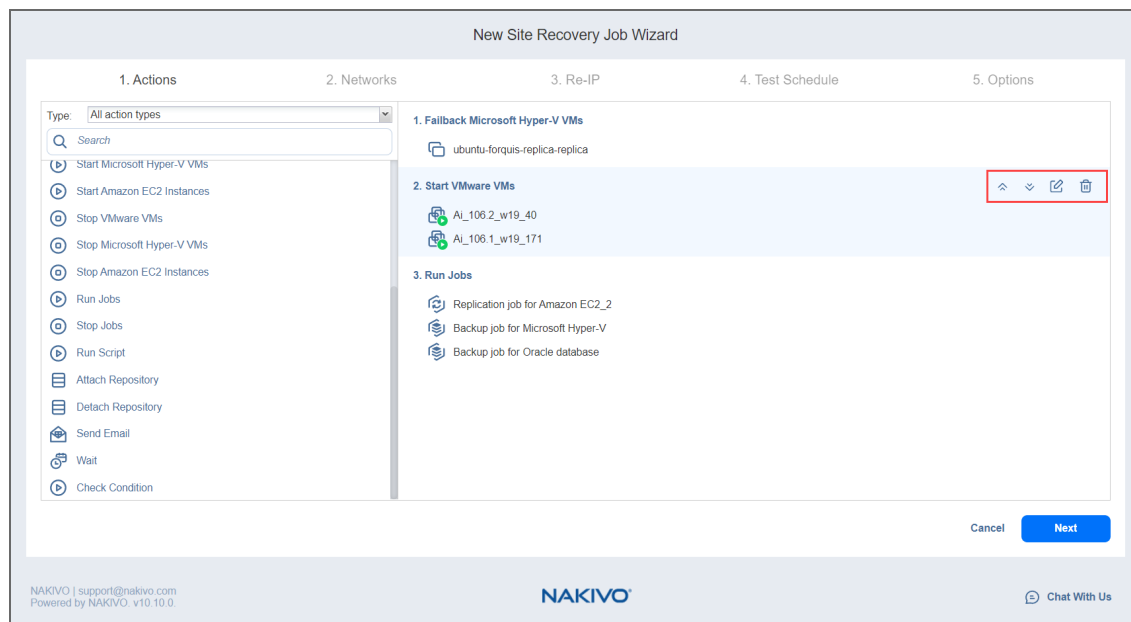
Managing Actions of Site Recovery Job

The actions list of a Site Recovery job is located in the right pane and contains the actions you add.

For a selected action, a toolbar with buttons is available allowing you to perform the following commands:

- **Move up / Move down:** Moves your action up/down in the list of Site Recovery job actions.
- **Edit:** A page opens allowing you to make changes to your Site Recovery job action. When finished with editing the Site Recovery job action, click **Save**.
- **Remove:** A dialog box opens asking you to confirm removing the Site Recovery job action. Click

the **Remove** button to confirm your operation.



Options Common to Most Actions

Most of the actions you add to your Site Recovery job will have the following common options:

- **Run this action in:** This option allows you to choose how to run the action:
 - **Run this action in both testing and production mode.**
 - **Run this action in production mode only.**
 - **Run this action in testing mode only.**
- **Waiting behavior:** This option allows you to choose one of the following:
 - **Wait for this action to complete:** The Site Recovery job will wait for the action to be completed before continuing to run the job.
 - **Start next action immediately:** The Site Recovery job will continue running while the action is in progress.
- **Error handling:** This option allows you to choose one of the following:
 - **Stop and fail the site recovery job if this action fails:** The Site Recovery job will stop and fail if the action fails.
 - **Continue the site recovery job if the action fails:** The Site Recovery job will continue if the action fails.

Failover VMware VMs Action

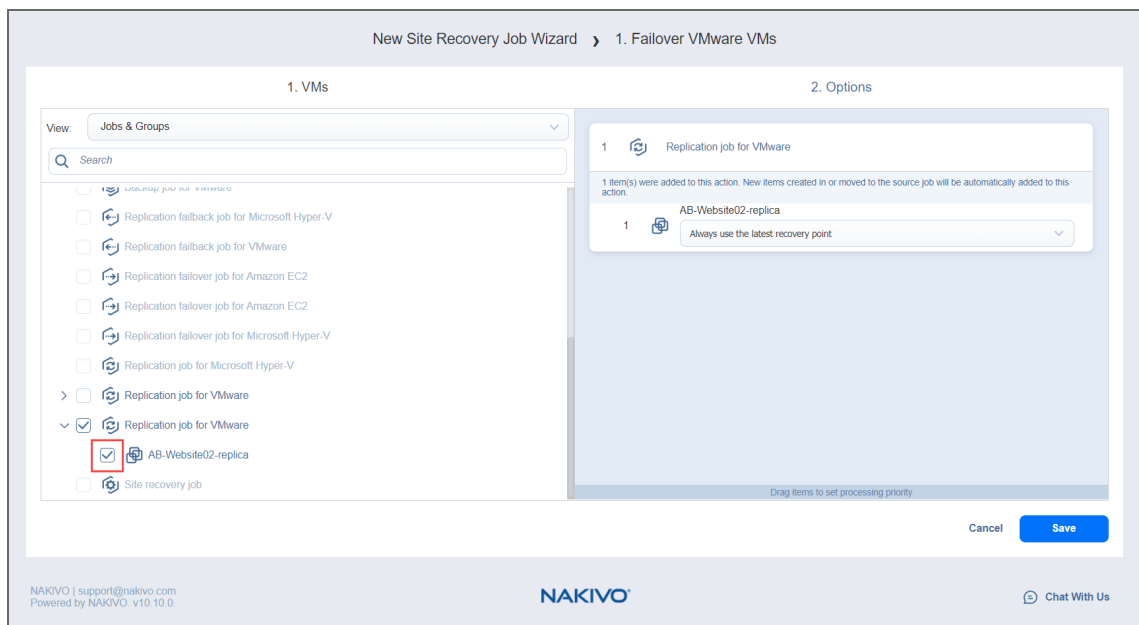
Please refer to the following sections on adding a **Failover VMware VMs** action to your Site Recovery job:

- [Failover VMware VMs: VMs](#)
- [Failover VMware VMs: Options](#)

Failover VMware VMs: VMs

On this step of the wizard, do the following:

1. In the left pane of the page, choose either of the following inventory views:
 - **Jobs & Groups:** When selected, the inventory tree displays groups, jobs, and backups of the appropriate hypervisor. You can select the required replica from the list of replication jobs.
 - **Policy:** When selected, job policies can be used. Refer to [“Managing Job Policies” on page 331](#) for details. If the items were selected in alternate views, a dialog box opens warning you that switching to the **Policy** view will reset your current selection. Click **Switch View** to confirm switching to the **Policy** view. Make sure that at least one item matches the available set of policy rules. Refer to [“Managing Policy Rules” on page 334](#) for details.
2. Select one or more source VMware VMs in the left pane and then select a recovery point for each source VM in the right pane.
3. Click **Next** to go to the **Options** page.



Failover VMware VMs: Options

On this page of the wizard, do the following:

1. Select **Power off source VMs** to power off the production workloads during the failover. Note that this will take place only in production mode; no workloads will be powered on in test mode.

2. In the *Action options* section, set the options for your action. Refer to “[Site Recovery Job Wizard: Actions](#)” on page 997 for details.
3. Click **Save**.



The **Options** page closes and your **Failover VMware VMs** action is added to the Site Recovery Job.

Failback VMware VMs Action

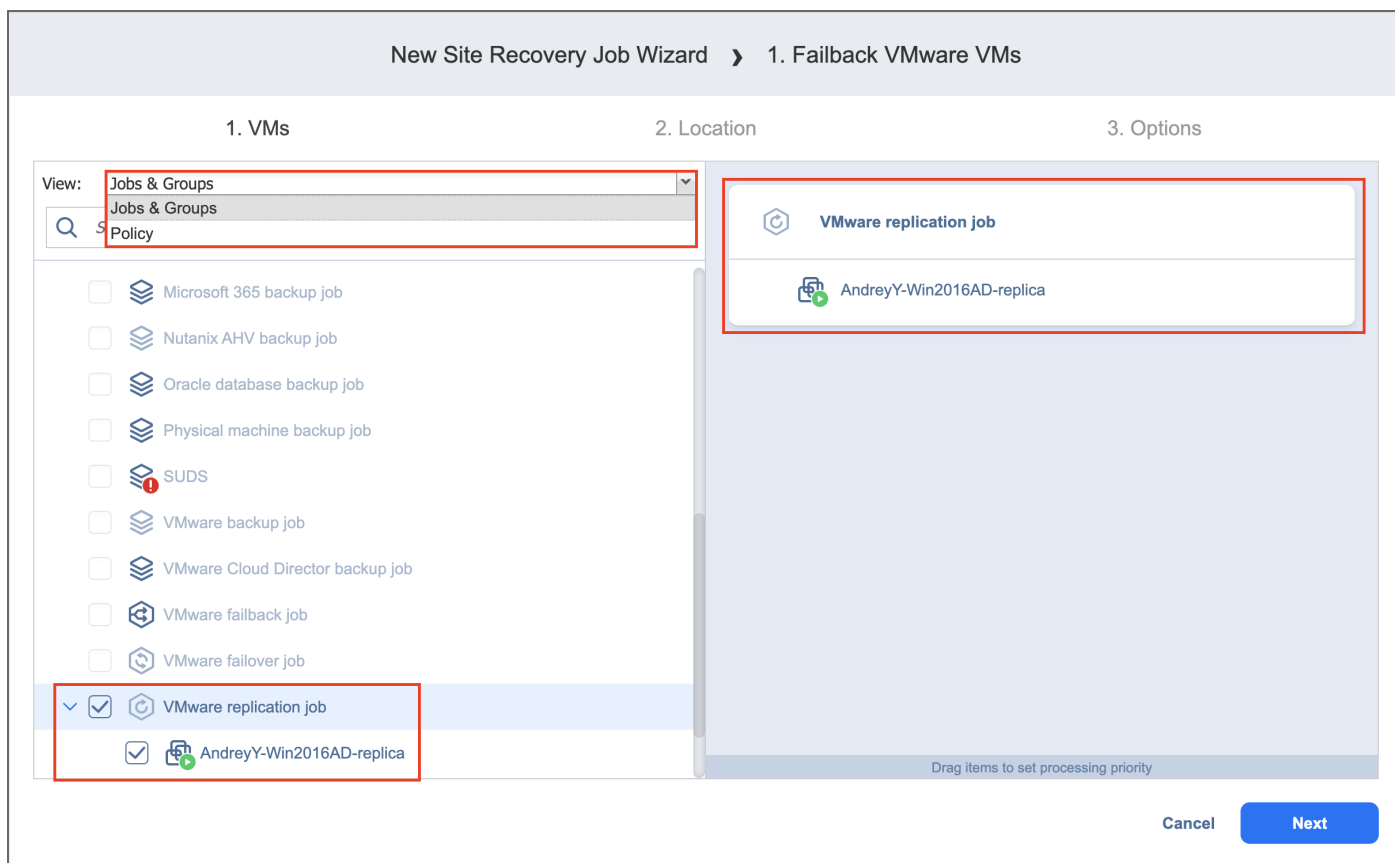
Please refer to the following sections on adding a Failback VMware VMs action to your Site Recovery job:

- [Failback VMware VMs: VMs](#)
- [Failback VMware VMs: Location](#)
- [Failback VMware VMs: Options](#)

Failback VMware VMs: VMs

On this page of the wizard, do the following:

1. In the left pane of the page, choose either of the following inventory views:
 - **Jobs & Groups:** When selected, the inventory tree displays groups, jobs, and backups of the appropriate hypervisor. You can select the required replica from the list of replication jobs.
 - **Policy:** When selected, job policies can be used. Refer to [“Managing Job Policies” on page 331](#) for details. If the items were selected in alternate views, a dialog box opens warning you that switching to the **Policy** view will reset your current selection. Click **Switch View** to confirm switching to the **Policy** view. Make sure that at least one item matches the available set of policy rules. Refer to [“Managing Policy Rules” on page 334](#) for details.
2. Select one or more replica VMware VMs in the left pane of the page.
3. Click **Next** to go to the **Location** page of the wizard.



Start VMs / Instances Action

The topic covers the following actions of a Site Recovery Job:

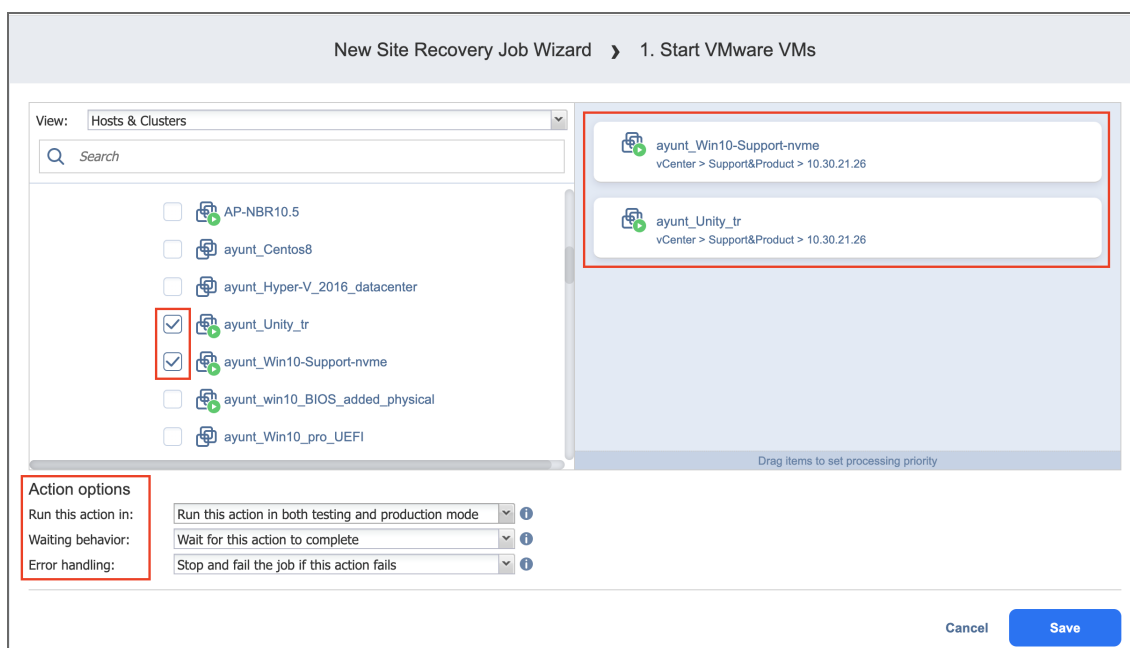
- Start VMware VMs
- Start Microsoft Hyper-V VMs
- Start Amazon EC2 Instances

On the wizard's page that opens, do the following:

1. In the left pane of the page, choose either of the following inventory views:
 - **Hosts & Clusters:** Not available for AWS EC2. When chosen, the inventory tree displays all containers and VMs.
 - **VMs & Templates.** Available for VMware only. When chosen, the inventory tree displays VMware hosts, VMs, and VM templates.
 - **AWS Accounts:** Available for AWS EC2 only. When chosen, the inventory tree displays all AWS EC2 accounts along with their regions and available instances.
 - **Policy:** When selected, job policies can be used. Refer to [Managing Job Policies](#) for details.

Note

Switching to an alternative view resets your selection in the current view.



2. Optionally, you can filter the inventory tree by entering a string into the **Search** box. You can enter a part of or the entire name of the item.
3. Select at least one VMware/Hyper-V VM or Amazon EC2 instance in the inventory tree.
4. Set the action options. Refer to [“Site Recovery Job Wizard: Actions”](#) on page 997 for details.
5. Click **Save**.

The page of the wizard closes and your **Start VMs / Instances** action is added to the Site Recovery Job.

Stop VMs / Instances Action

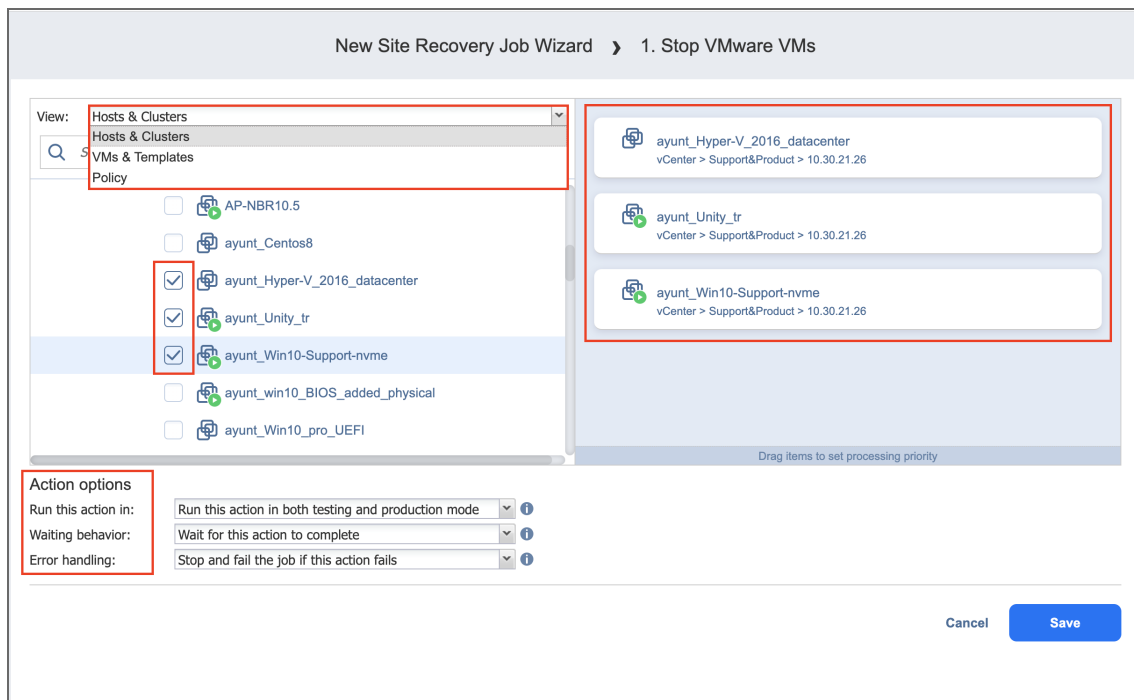
The topic covers the following actions of your site recovery job:

- Stop VMware VMs
- Stop Microsoft Hyper-V VMs
- Stop Amazon EC2 Instances

On the **Stop VMs / Instances** page that opens from the **Actions** page of the Site Recovery Job Wizard, do the following:

1. In the left pane of the page, choose one of the following inventory views:
 - **Hosts & Clusters:** Not available for AWS EC2. When chosen, the inventory tree displays all containers and VMs.
 - **VMs & Templates view:** Available for VMware only. When chosen, the inventory tree displays VMware hosts, VMs, and VM templates.
 - **AWS Accounts:** Available for AWS EC2 only. When chosen, the inventory tree displays all AWS EC2 accounts along with their regions and available instances.
 - **Policy:** When selected, job policies can be used. Refer to [“Managing Job Policies” on page 331](#) for details.

Note
Switching to an alternative view resets your selection in the current view.



2. Optionally, you can filter the inventory tree by entering a string into the **Search** box. You can enter a part of the entire name of the item.

3. Select at least one VMware/Hyper-V VM or Amazon EC2 instance in the inventory tree.
4. Set action options. Refer to [“Site Recovery Job Wizard: Actions” on page 997](#) for details.
5. Click **Save**.

The page of the wizard closes, and your **Stop VMs / Instances** action is added to the site recovery job.

Run / Stop Jobs Action

The topic covers the following actions of a Site Recovery Job:

- Run Jobs
- Stop Jobs

On the **Run / Stop Jobs** page that opens from the **Actions** page of the Site Recovery Job Wizard, do the following:

1. Select at least one item in the list of jobs.
2. Configure action options. Refer to [“Site Recovery Job Wizard: Actions” on page 997](#) for details.
3. Click **Save**.

New Site Recovery Job Wizard > 3. Run Jobs

- Backup job for Amazon EC2
- Replication failback job for Amazon EC2
- Replication job for Amazon EC2
- Replication job for Amazon EC2_2
- Backup copy job
- Backup job for Microsoft Hyper-V
- Backup job for Oracle database

Action options

Run this action in: Run this action in both testing and production mode ⓘ

Waiting behavior: Wait for this action to complete ⓘ

Error handling: Stop and fail the job if this action fails ⓘ

Cancel Save

The page of the wizard closes and your **Run / Stop Jobs** action is added to the Site Recovery Job.

Run Script Action

To add the action to a Site Recovery Job, on the **Run Script** page of the wizard, do the following:

1. **Target type:** Choose one of the following target types for your script:
 - **This server (Director):** The script will run on the machine where the Director is deployed. Provide the following options:
 1. **Script path:** A path to the script.
 2. **Username / Password:** Credentials for running your script on the machine.
 - **Remote Windows / Linux server:** The script will run on a remote Windows / Linux server. Provide the following options:
 1. **Target server:** The hostname or the IP address of the remote server.
 2. **Script path:** A path to the script on the remote server.
 3. **Username / Password:** Credentials for running your script on the remote server.
 - **VMware / Hyper-V VM / EC2 instance:** The script will run on a VMware or Hyper-V VM or an EC2 instance. Provide the following options:
 1. **Target VM / Instance:** Choose the required item from the inventory tree.
 2. **Script path:** A path to the script on the VMware or Hyper-V VM or EC2 instance.
 3. **Username / Password:** Credentials for running your script on the VMware or Hyper-V VM or EC2 instance.
2. Set the **Action options**. Refer to [“Site Recovery Job Wizard: Actions” on page 997](#) for details.
3. Click **Save**.

New Site Recovery Job Wizard > 1. Run script

Script Options

Target type: Remote Linux server

Target server: 192.168.77.11

Script path: /home/user/nakivo/parse.sh

Use custom SSH port: 22

Username: user

Password:

[Manage credentials](#)

Action options

Run this action in: Run this action in both testing and production mode

Waiting behavior: Wait for this action to complete

Error handling: Stop and fail the job if this action fails

The page of the wizard closes and your **Run Script** action is added to the Site Recovery Job.

Attach / Detach Repository Action

The topic covers the following actions of a Site Recovery Job:

- Attach Repository
- Detach Repository

On the **Attach / Detach Repository** page that opens from the **Actions** page of the Site Recovery Job Wizard, do the following:

1. Select a repository in the list of repositories.
2. Specify action options. Refer to [Options Common to Most Actions](#) for details.
3. Click **Save**.

New Site Recovery Job Wizard > 1. Attach repository

Repository to attach: Repo 3

Action options

Run this action in: Run this action in both testing and production mode ⓘ

Waiting behavior: Wait for this action to complete ⓘ

Error handling: Stop and fail the job if this action fails ⓘ

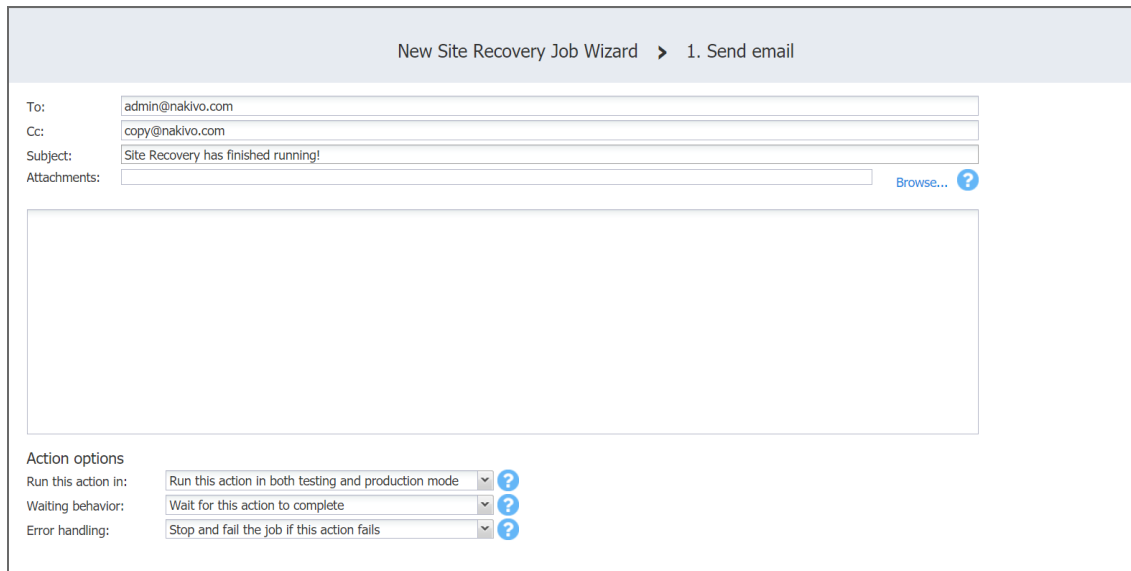
Cancel Save

The page of the wizard closes and your **Attach / Detach Repository** action is added to the site recovery job.

Send Email Action

On the **Send Email** page of the wizard, do the following to add the action to your site recovery job:

1. In the **To** box, enter a valid email address for the recipient.
2. In the **Cc** box, optionally you can enter an email address of the carbon copy recipient.
3. In the **Subject** box, optionally you can enter a subject of the mail.
4. Optionally, you can add attachments to your mail with the **Browse** button.
5. Enter your message text in the email body box.
6. Set up action options. Refer to [“Site Recovery Job Wizard: Actions” on page 997](#) for details.
7. Click **Save**.



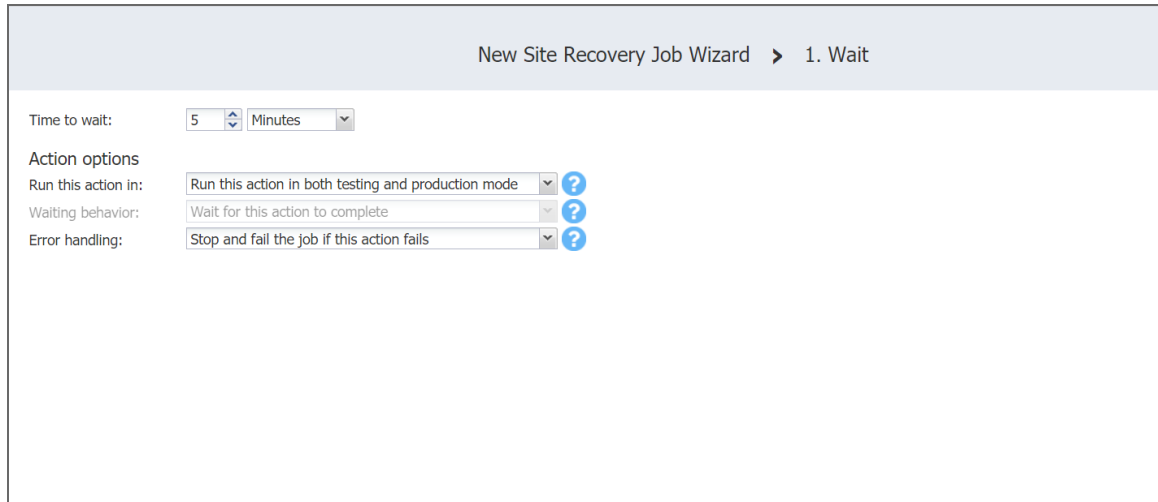
The screenshot shows the 'Send Email' step of the 'New Site Recovery Job Wizard'. The interface includes a header with the title 'New Site Recovery Job Wizard > 1. Send email'. Below the header are several input fields: 'To:' with the value 'admin@nakivo.com', 'Cc:' with 'copy@nakivo.com', 'Subject:' with 'Site Recovery has finished running!', and 'Attachments:' with a 'Browse...' button and a help icon. A large empty text area is provided for the email body. At the bottom, there are three dropdown menus under the heading 'Action options': 'Run this action in:' set to 'Run this action in both testing and production mode', 'Waiting behavior:' set to 'Wait for this action to complete', and 'Error handling:' set to 'Stop and fail the job if this action fails'. Each dropdown menu has a help icon.

The page of the wizard closes, and your **Send Email** action will be added to the site recovery job.

Wait Action

To add a wait action to your Site Recovery job, on the **Wait** page of the wizard, do the following:

1. Enter the time to wait in minutes or hours.
2. Set the action options. Refer to [“Site Recovery Job Wizard: Actions” on page 997](#) for details.
3. Click **Save**.



New Site Recovery Job Wizard > 1. Wait

Time to wait: 5 Minutes

Action options

Run this action in: Run this action in both testing and production mode ?

Waiting behavior: Wait for this action to complete ?

Error handling: Stop and fail the job if this action fails ?

The page of the wizard closes and your **Wait** action is added to the Site Recovery job.

Check Condition Action

On the **Check Condition** page of the wizard, do the following to add the action to your site recovery job:

1. Choose a condition type from the list:
 - **Resource exists:** This condition checks whether the specified resource exists. With this option, you have to set the following:
 - a. Choose a resource type from the list:
 - **VMware VM**
 - **Hyper-V VM**
 - **EC2 instance**
 - b. Define your identification method using two lists:
 - i. In the first list, choose either **Name** or **ID**.
 - ii. In the second list, choose one of the following:
 - **Equals**
 - **Contains**
 - **Starts with**
 - **Ends with**
 - c. Enter your condition criterion in the **Search string** box.
 - **Resource is running:** This condition checks whether the specified resource is running. With this option, you have to set the options as described for the **Resource exists** option above.
 - **IP/hostname is reachable:** This condition checks whether the specified IP/hostname is reachable. With this option, you have to enter the following:
 - a. Choose the source endpoint among the following:
 - **This server (Director):** With this option, the condition checks whether the Director can reach the **IP/hostname** specified in the box below.
 - **Remote transporter:** With this option, the condition checks whether one of your remote Transporters can reach the **IP/hostname** specified in the box below.
 - b. In the **IP/hostname** box, enter an IP address or a host name of the resource to be checked for reachability.
2. In the *Action if True* section of the page, choose an action to be taken if the condition criterion is satisfied:
 - **Continue site recovery job:** Your Site Recovery job will be continued.
 - **Stop and fail site recovery job:** Your Site Recovery job will be stopped as failed.
 - **End site recovery job successfully:** Your Site Recovery job will be ended as successful.

- **Go to another site recovery Job action:** Another action of your Site Recovery job will be initiated. If you choose this action type, a new box will open to allow you to choose the necessary action.
3. In the *Action if False* section of the page, choose an action to be taken if the condition criterion is not satisfied. Available options are similar to those described in the *Action if True* section above.
 4. Click **Save**.

New Site Recovery Job Wizard > 1. Check condition

Condition

Condition type: Resource exists

Resource type: VMware VM

Identification method: Name Equals

Search string: VMware

Action if True

Action type: Continue site recovery job

Action if False

Action type: Stop and fail site recovery job

The page of the wizard closes and your **Check Condition** action is added to the Site Recovery job.

Site Recovery Job Wizard: Networks

On the **Networks** page of the **Site Recovery Job Wizard** you can map source VM virtual networks to appropriate target virtual networks and test networks.

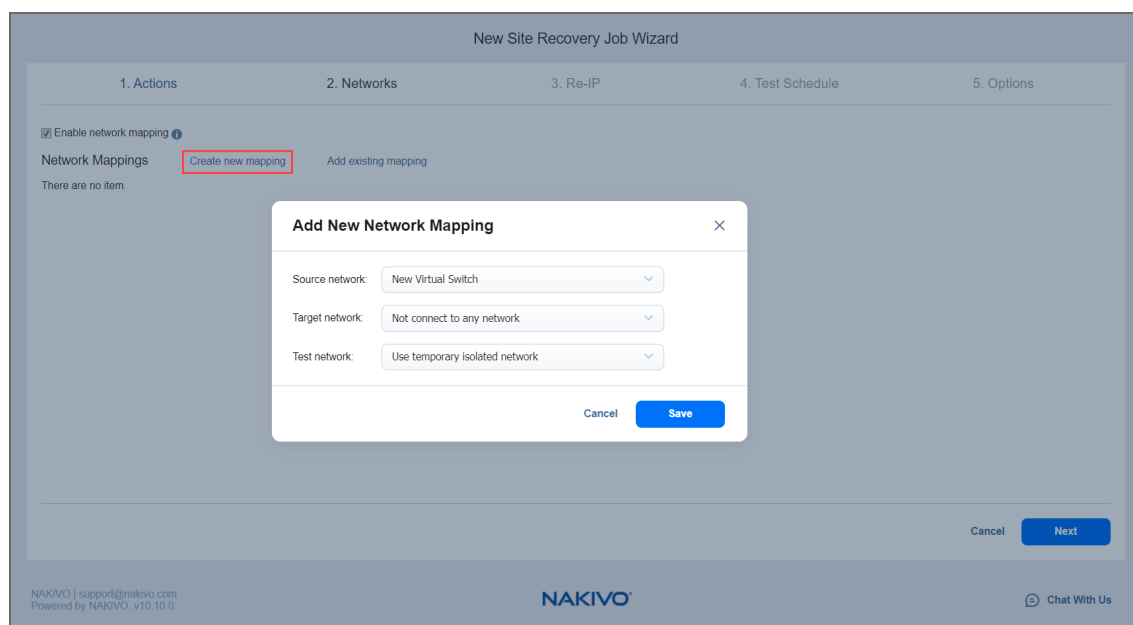
Please proceed as follows:

1. Select **Enable network mapping**.

Note

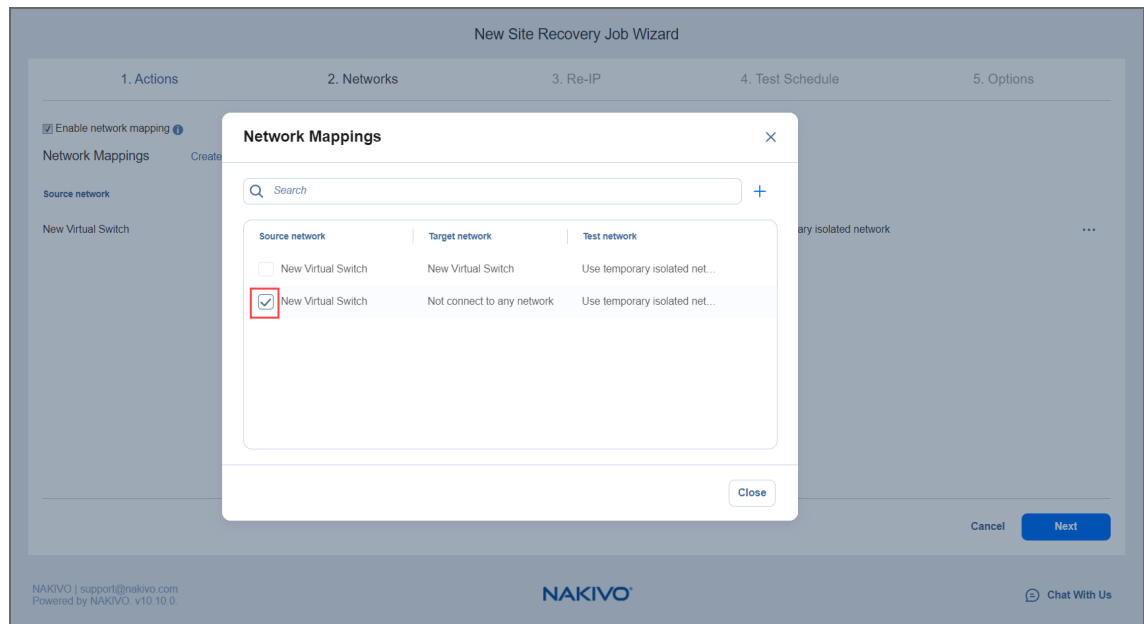
A failover or a failback action needs to be on the actions list to allow enabling network mapping for your site recovery job.

2. The *Network Mapping* section opens. You have the following options:
 - Create a new network mapping:
 - a. Click **Create new mapping**.
 - b. The **Add New Network Mapping** dialog opens. Choose a source network, a target network and a test network, and click **Save**.

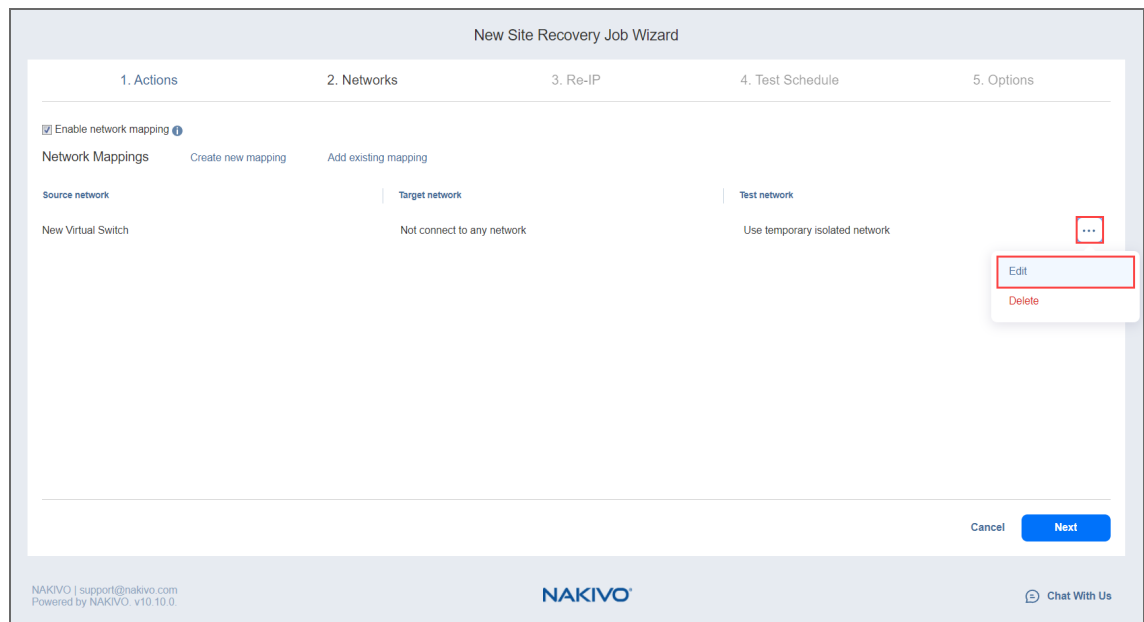


- Add an existing network mapping:
 - a. Click **Add existing mapping**.
 - b. The **Network Mappings** dialog opens. Choose an appropriate network mapping and close

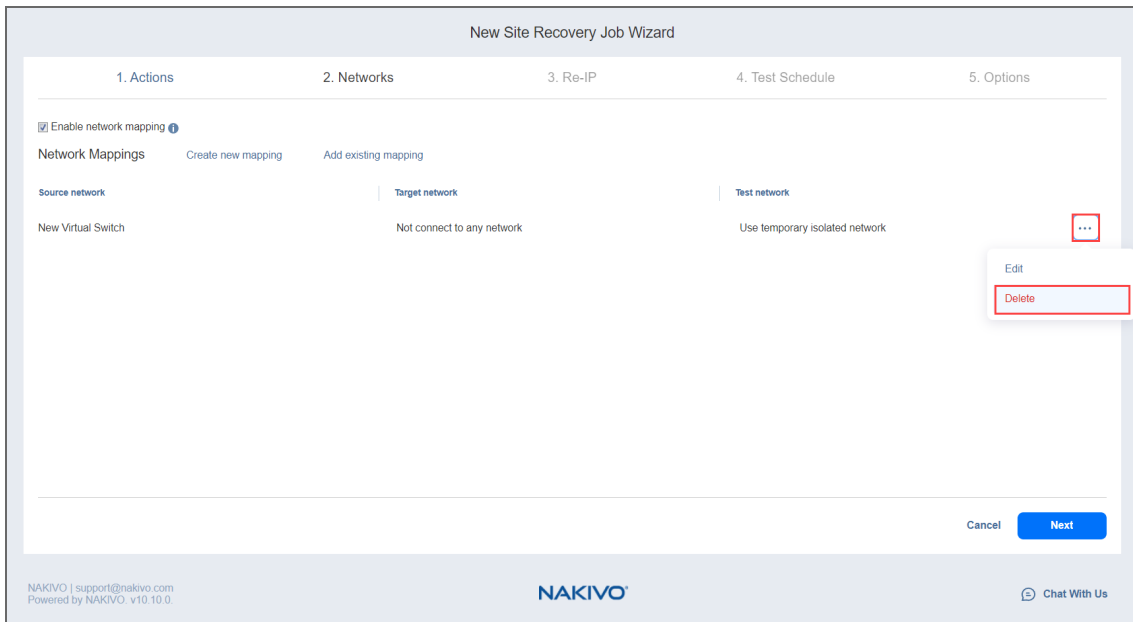
the dialog box.



- Edit an existing network mapping:
 - a. Hover the pointer over the necessary item in the **Network Mappings** list and then click the **Edit** button to the right of the item.
 - b. The **Edit Network Mapping** dialog box opens. Choose appropriate items from the **Target network** and the **Test network** lists and then click **Save**.



- Delete an existing mapping: hover the pointer over the necessary item in the **Network Mappings** list and then click the **Delete** icon to the right of the item.



- To leave the list of existing network mappings intact, go to the next page of the wizard.
3. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Site Recovery Job Wizard: Re-IP

In the **Re-IP** page of the **Site Recovery Job Wizard** you can map a source VM IP address to a specific target IP address.

Please proceed as follows:

1. Select **Enable Re-IP**.

Note

A failover or a failback action needs to be in the actions list to allow enabling Re-IP for your site recovery job.

2. The *Re-IP Rules* section opens. Click the **Select VMs** link.
3. The **Re-IP** dialog opens. In the list of your source VMs, select at least one, select the credentials to be used for each VM, and close the dialog.

Note

Re-IP rules will be applied only to VMs that have a static IPv4 address configured.

4. You have the following options:

- Create a new rule:
 - a. Click **Create new rule**.
 - b. The **New Re-IP Rule** dialog opens. Enter source and target settings for the Re-IP rule and click **Save**.

The screenshot displays the 'New Site Recovery Job Wizard' interface. The '3. Re-IP' step is active. A 'New Re-IP Rule' dialog box is open, showing the following settings:

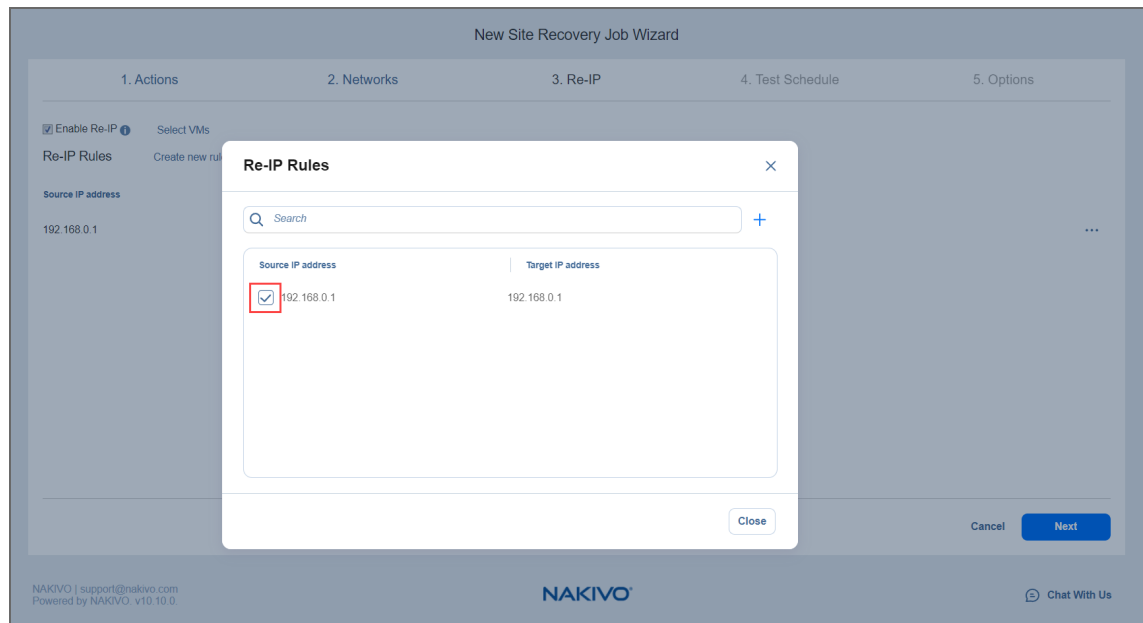
Setting	Value
Source Settings	
IP address	192.168.1.*
Subnet mask	255.255.255.0
Target Settings	
IP address	192.168.2.*
Subnet mask	255.255.255.0
Default gateway	192.168.2.1
Primary DNS server	192.168.2.200
Secondary DNS server	192.168.2.201
DNS suffix	example.com

The dialog box includes 'Cancel' and 'Save' buttons. The background interface shows the '1. Actions' step with 'Enable Re-IP' checked and a 'Create new rule' button highlighted.

Note

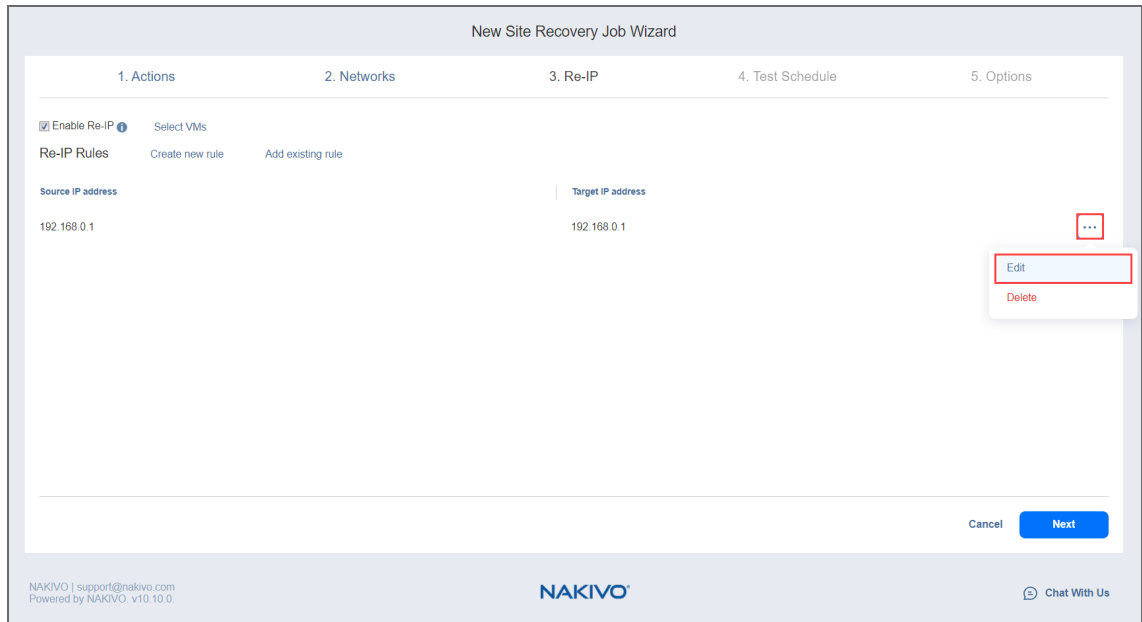
You can use wildcards for IP addresses. For example, when the 192.168.1.* -> 10.30.30.* Re-IP rule is available, it will change the source VM IP address like 192.168.1.50 to the 10.30.30.50 IP address, for your site recovery job. When there are several Re-IP rules applicable to your source VM, the application will define the most suitable one and apply it to the source VM IP address.

- Add an existing rule:
 - a. Click **Add existing rule**.
 - b. The **Re-IP Rules** dialog box opens. Choose an appropriate Re-IP rule and close the dialog.



- Edit an existing Re-IP rule:
 - a. Hover the pointer over the necessary item in the **Re-IP Rules** list and then click the **Edit** button to the right of the item.
 - b. The **Edit Re-IP Rule** dialog opens. Edit the necessary properties of the Re-IP rule and then

click **Save**.



- Delete an existing mapping: hover the pointer over the necessary item in the **Re-IP Rules** list and then click the **Delete** icon to the right of the item.



- To leave the list of existing Re-IP rules intact, go to the next page of the wizard.
5. Click **Next** to go to the next page of the wizard.

Site Recovery Job Wizard: Test Schedule

On the **Test Schedule** page of the **Site Recovery Job Wizard** you can schedule testing your site recovery job.

Please refer to the following sections for details:

- [“Disabling Site Recovery Job Test Schedule”](#) below
- [“Daily Site Recovery Job Testing”](#) below
- [“Monthly or Yearly Site Recovery Job Testing”](#) on the next page
- [“Periodic Site Recovery Job Testing”](#) on page 1024
- [“Chained Site Recovery Job”](#) on page 1025
- [“Additional Schedule”](#) on page 1026

Disabling Site Recovery Job Test Schedule

If you only want to start the site recovery job manually (without any test schedule), select the **Do not schedule, test on demand** check box.

New Site Recovery Job Wizard

1. Actions 2. Networks 3. Re-IP 4. Test Schedule 5. Options

Do not schedule, test on demand

Cancel Next

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Then click **Next** to go to the **Options** page of the **Site Recovery Job Wizard**.

Daily Site Recovery Job Testing

To test your site recovery job once a day, do the following:

- Choose a time zone that should be used for the site recovery job start and end times from the time zone list.
- Choose **Run daily/weekly** from the **Schedule #1** list.
- Specify the time when the site recovery job should be started in the **Starting at** box.
- Specify the end time for the site recovery job in the **Ending** box. If the site recovery job has not completed by the time specified, the site recovery job will be stopped.

- Select the days of the week during which the site recovery job will be started.
- To specify a date when the job test schedule comes into effect, click **Effective from**, click **date** and then pick a date in the calendar that opens.
- Click **Next** to go to the **Options** page of the **Site Recovery Job Wizard**.

The screenshot displays the 'New Site Recovery Job Wizard' interface, specifically the '4. Test Schedule' step. The wizard is configured with the following settings:

- Do not schedule, test on demand:** (unchecked)
- Time Zone:** (UTC+02:00, EET) Eastern European Time
- Schedule #1:** Run daily/weekly
- Starting at:** 0:00
- Ending:** 6:00
- Days of the week:** MO TU WE TH FR SA SU
- Frequency:** every 1 weeks
- Effective from:** [date](#) (calendar pop-up is open)

The calendar pop-up shows the month of October 2023, with the 24th highlighted. The 'Next' button is visible at the bottom right of the wizard.

Monthly or Yearly Site Recovery Job Testing

To test your site recovery job monthly or yearly, do the following:

- Choose **Monthly/yearly** from the schedule list.
- Choose a time zone that should be used for the job start and end times, in the list of available time zones.
- Specify a site recovery job start schedule in the appropriate boxes.
- Specify the time when the site recovery job should be started, in the **Starting at** box.
- Specify the end time for the site recovery job, in the **Ending** box. If the site recovery job has not completed by the time specified, the site recovery job will be stopped.
- Select the days of the week during which the job will be started.
- To specify a date when the job test schedule comes into effect, click **Effective from**, click **Date** and then pick a date in the calendar that opens.

- Click **Next** to go to the **Options** page of the **Site Recovery Job Wizard**.

Periodic Site Recovery Job Testing

To test your site recovery job multiple times per day, do the following:

- Choose a time zone that should be used for the site recovery job start and end times from the list of time zones.
- Choose **Run periodically** from the **Schedule #1** list and then choose a time period from the appropriate boxes.
- Specify the time when the site recovery job should be started in the **Starting at** box.
- Specify the end time for the job in the **Ending** box. If the site recovery job has not completed by the time specified, the site recovery job will be stopped.
- To specify a date when the job test schedule comes into effect, click **Effective from**, click **Date** and then pick a date in the calendar that opens.

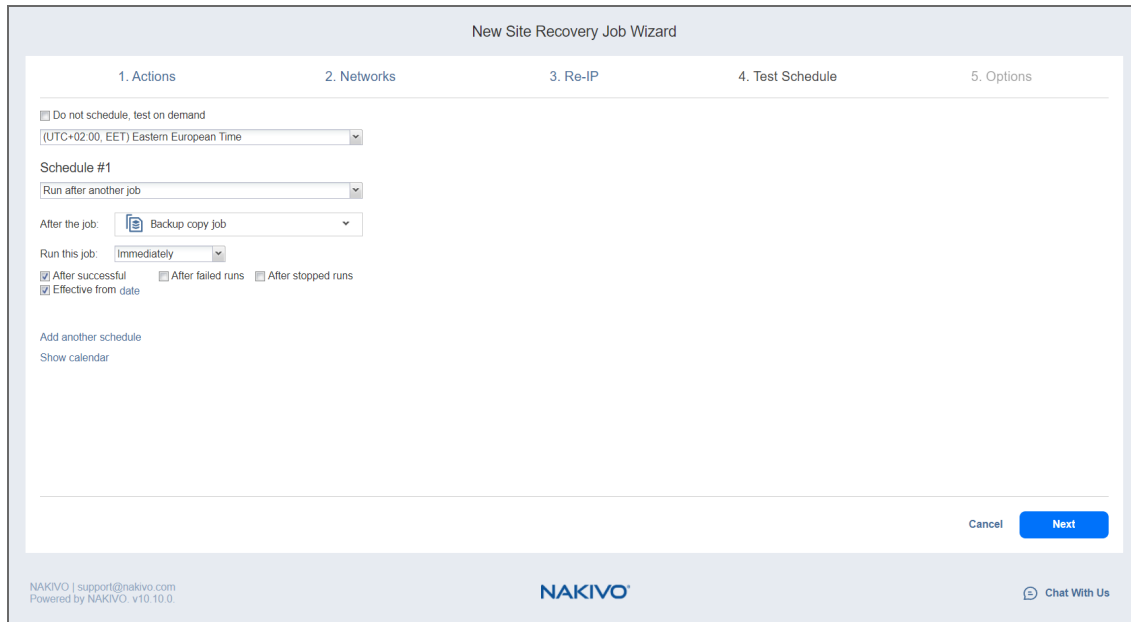
- Click **Next** to go to the **Options** page of the **Site Recovery Job Wizard**.

Chained Site Recovery Job

To run the site recovery job after a previous job has completed, do the following:

1. Choose **Run after another job** from the **Schedule #1** list.
2. Set the options as follows:
 - **After the job:** select a job after which the current site recovery job will be started.
 - **Run this job:** Choose whether to run the current site recovery job immediately after the previous job has completed, or specify a delay.
 - **After successful runs:** If selected, the site recovery job will run if the previous job has completed successfully.
 - **After failed runs:** If selected, the site recovery job will run if the previous job has failed.
 - **After stopped runs:** If selected, the site recovery job will run if the previous job has been stopped.
3. To specify a date when the job test schedule comes into effect, click **Effective from**, click **date** and then pick a date in the calendar that opens.

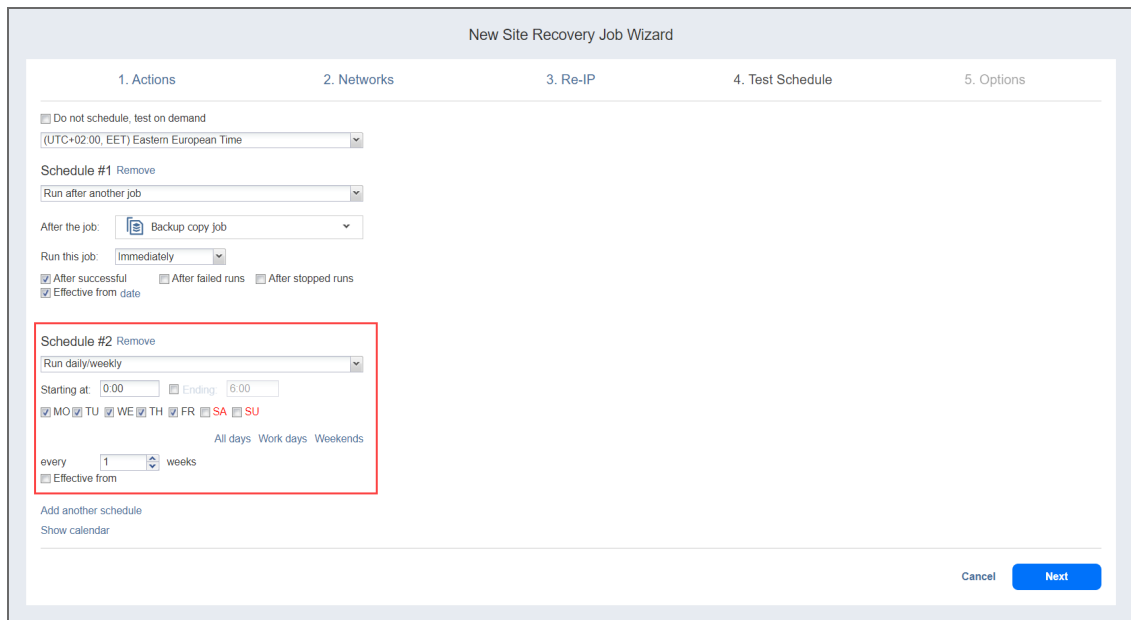
4. Click **Next** to go to the **Options** page of the **Site Recovery Job Wizard**.



Additional Schedule

To add more than one schedule to your site recovery job, do the following:

1. Click **Add another schedule**.
2. The *Schedule #2* section opens. Proceed with instructions provided in the sections above.
3. When ready with adding an additional schedule to your site recovery job, click **Next**.



Site Recovery Job Wizard: Options

On the **Options** page of the **Site Recovery Job Wizard** you can specify the options of the site recovery job.

Proceed as follows:

1. In the *Site Recovery Job* section, specify a name for the site recovery job. If the site recovery job contains failback actions that require a Transporter, you may also specify a job priority level from 1 to 5, with 1 being the highest priority. Jobs with higher priority levels are prioritized by **Transporters** during job processing.

Note

The **Job Priority** option is only available in the Enterprise, Enterprise Essentials, Enterprise Plus, MSP Enterprise, and MSP Enterprise Plus editions.

2. In the *Testing Options* section:
 - **Recovery time objective:** Enter the amount of time allowed for the site recovery job test to complete. The report will inform you of whether this objective has been met.
 - **Send test/run report to:** When selected, this option enables sending email notifications to the specified recipients. Use the semi-colon character to separate multiple email addresses.
3. Click **Finish** to complete creating the site recovery job.



The screenshot shows the 'New Site Recovery Job Wizard' interface, specifically the 'Options' step. The wizard has five steps: 1. Actions, 2. Networks, 3. Re-IP, 4. Test Schedule, and 5. Options. The 'Options' step is active. The form contains the following fields:

- Site Recovery Job**
 - Job name: Site recovery job
 - Job priority: 5
- Testing Options**
 - Recovery time objective: 5 Minutes
 - Send test/run report to: admin@nakivo.com

At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Finish' buttons. The footer includes 'NAKIVO | support@nakivo.com Powered by NAKIVO, v10.10.0' and a 'Chat With Us' link.

The **Site Recovery Job Wizard** closes and the site recovery job appears in the list of NAKIVO Backup & Replication jobs.

Running Site Recovery Job

The section includes the following topics:

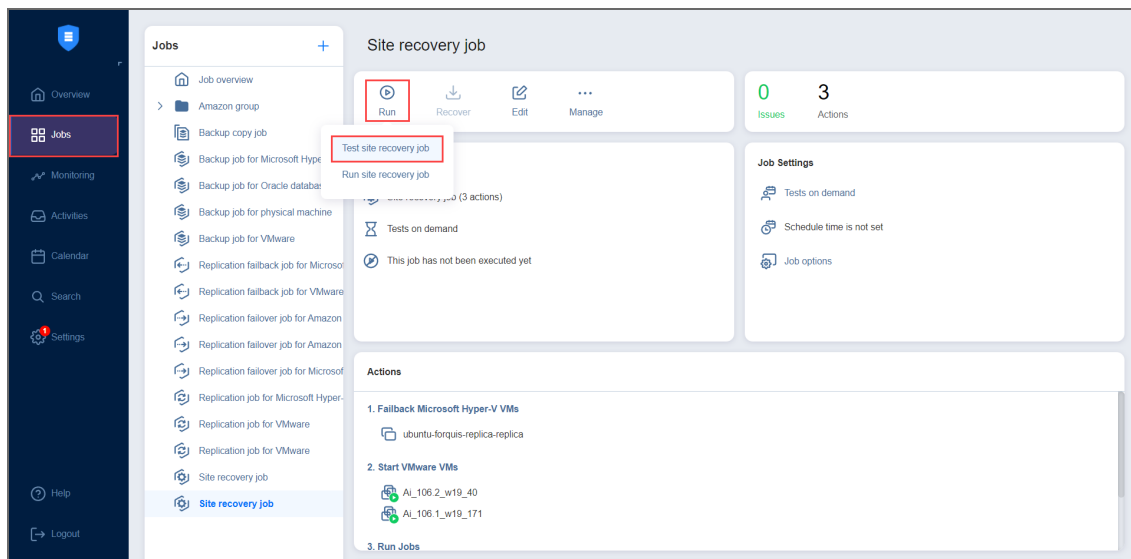
- [Running Site Recovery Job in Test Mode](#)
- [Running Site Recovery Job in Production Mode](#)

Running Site Recovery Job in Test Mode

Running your site recovery job in the test mode allows you to verify the site recovery workflow and results.

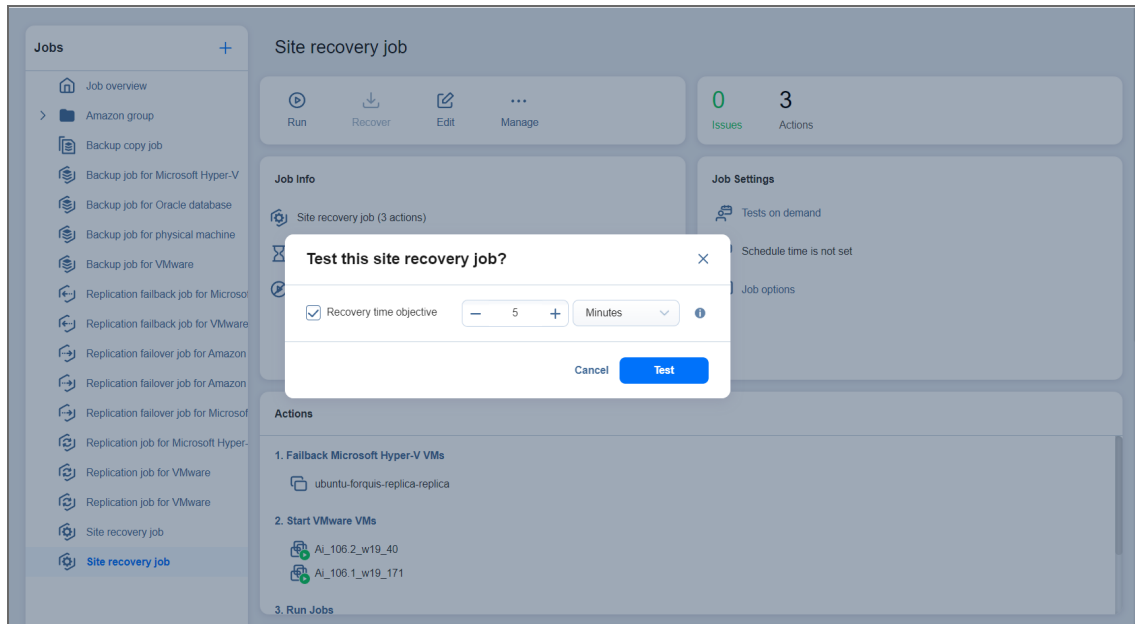
Please follow the steps below to run your site recovery Job in the test mode:

1. In the **Jobs** menu, select your site recovery job and then click the **Run** button.
2. In the dialog that opens, click **Test site recovery job**.



3. The **Recovery time objective** dialog opens. Here you can:
 - Disable/enable the **Recovery time objective** option.
 - If the **Recovery time objective** is enabled, modify the amount of time allowed for the job to be

completed.



4. Click **Test** when ready. The site recovery job starts running in the test mode.

Note

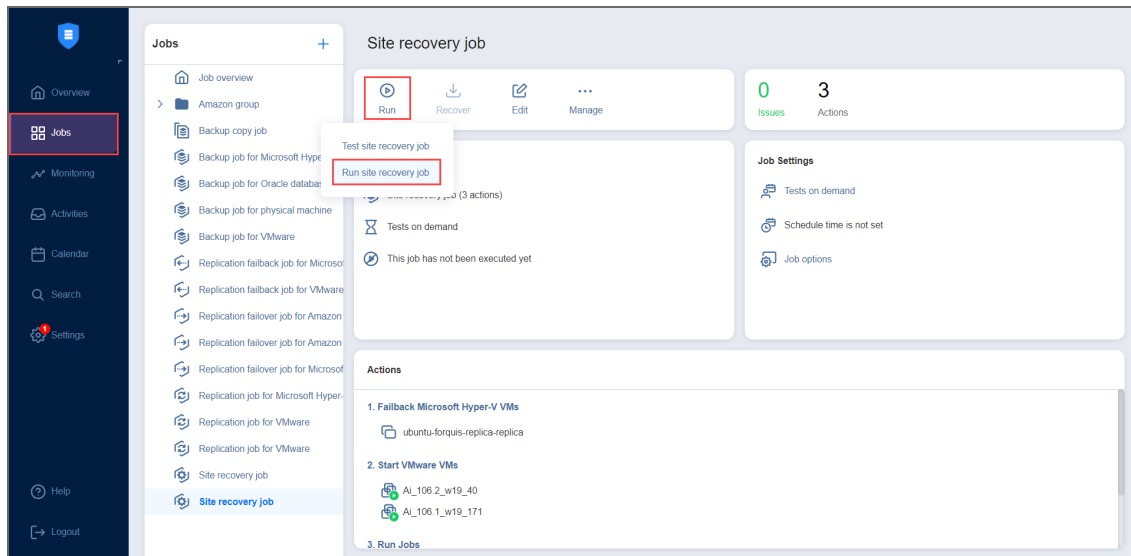
In addition to testing the site recovery job on demand, testing can also be scheduled. Refer to [Site Recovery Job Wizard: Test Schedule](#) for details.

Running Site Recovery Job in Production Mode

Running your site recovery job in the production mode allows you to recover your environment from disaster.

Please follow the steps below to run your site recovery job in the production mode:

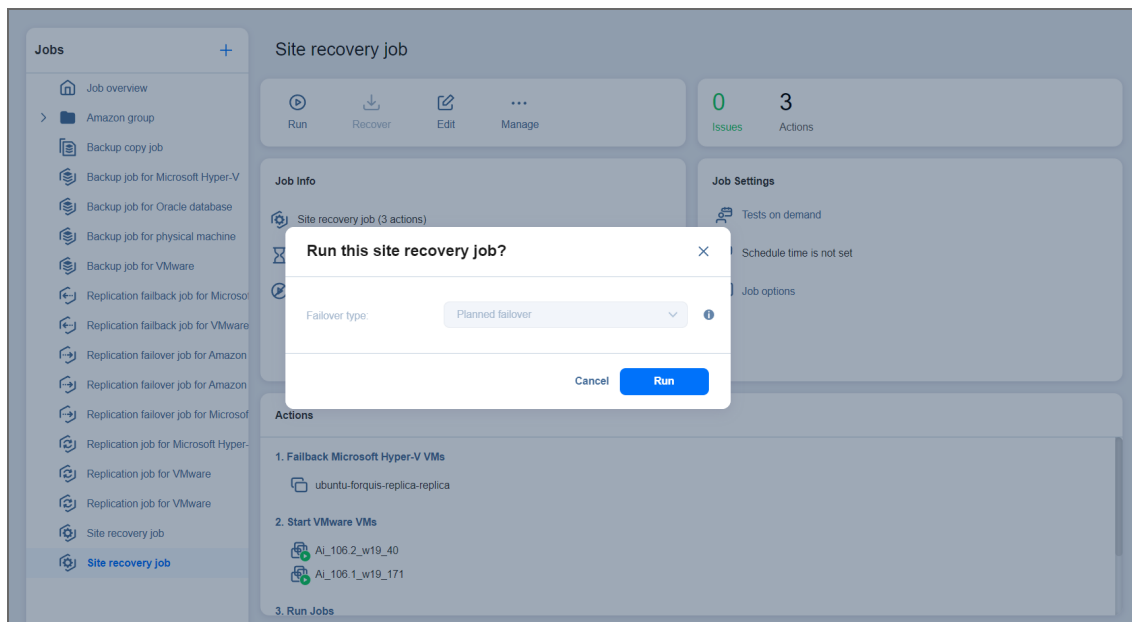
1. In the **Jobs** menu, select your site recovery job and then click the **Run Job** button.
2. In the dialog that opens, click **Run site recovery job**.



3. The **Failover type** dialog opens. Choose either of the following failover types:

- **Planned failover:** The application will sync replica data with the source VM before switching workloads to the replica.
- **Emergency failover:** The application will switch workloads from the source VM to the replica immediately.

Note
The **Failover type** option is only available for site recovery jobs containing a **Failover** action.



4. Click **Run**. The site recovery job starts running in the production mode.

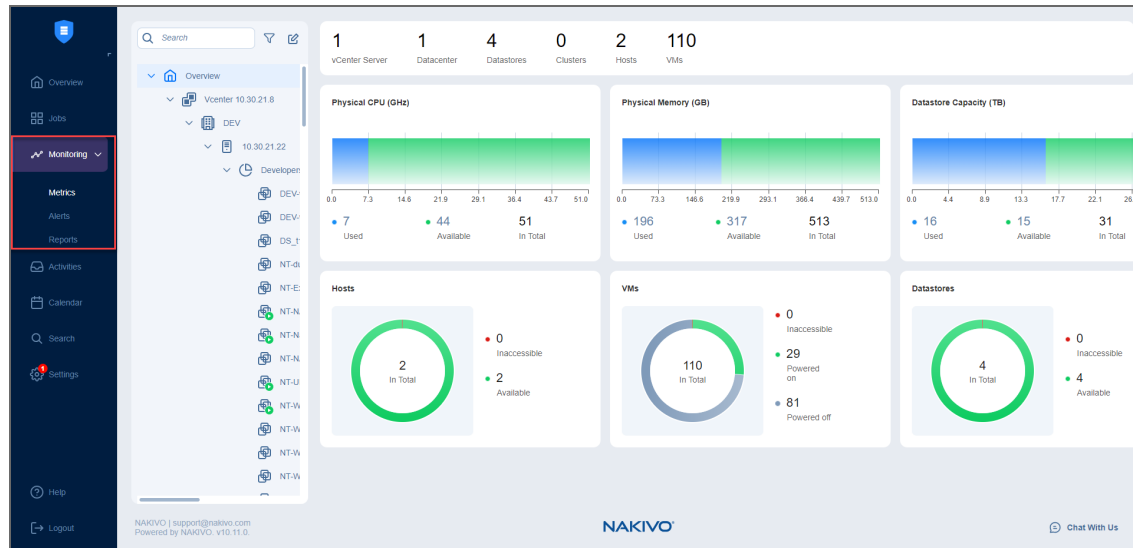
Monitoring

Monitoring in NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you to track VMware vSphere infrastructure resources used by hosts, datastores, and VMs. You can monitor the key metrics for CPU, memory, and disk usage in real time and over a specified period of time to make sure the infrastructure has enough resources to meet organizational demands.

Monitoring also allows you to configure alerts and automated reports to track CPU usage, memory usage, and datastore performance. These reports help you detect unusual activity that can signal ransomware or other malware in your VMware vSphere infrastructure.

Refer to the following topics to learn how to use **Monitoring**:

- [“Metrics” on page 1039](#)
- [“Alerts” on page 1039](#)
- [“Reports” on page 1044](#)



Alert History

The **Alert History** tab displays the list of triggered alerts. When the rules are met in an enabled alert template, the configured alert is triggered and displayed in the list.

Alert History		Alert Template Management	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Connected state	Caution	10.84.255.107 04 Nov 2023 at 9:48:48
<input type="checkbox"/>	Connected state	Caution	10.84.255.107 04 Nov 2023 at 9:51:28
<input type="checkbox"/>	Connected state	Caution	10.84.255.107 04 Nov 2023 at 9:56:48
<input type="checkbox"/>	Read rate warning	Error	10.84.255.103 06 Nov 2023 at 0:00:20
<input type="checkbox"/>	Read rate warning	Error	10.84.255.102 06 Nov 2023 at 20:25:20
<input type="checkbox"/>	Read rate warning	Error	10.84.255.102 06 Nov 2023 at 2:05:40
<input type="checkbox"/>	Read rate warning	Error	10.84.255.102 06 Nov 2023 at 15:04:30
<input type="checkbox"/>	Read rate warning	Error	10.84.255.102 06 Nov 2023 at 23:26:40
<input type="checkbox"/>	Read rate warning	Error	10.84.255.103 06 Nov 2023 at 2:13:20
<input type="checkbox"/>	Read rate warning	Error	10.84.255.103 06 Nov 2023 at 0:23:00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Read rate warning	Error	10.84.255.103 06 Nov 2023 at 17:15:40
<input type="checkbox"/>	Read rate warning	Error	10.84.255.103 06 Nov 2023 at 5:40:01
<input type="checkbox"/>	Read rate warning	Error	10.84.255.102 06 Nov 2023 at 5:58:20
<input type="checkbox"/>	Read rate warning	Error	10.84.255.103 06 Nov 2023 at 2:02:40
<input type="checkbox"/>	Read rate warning	Error	10.84.255.103 06 Nov 2023 at 6:01:40

In the **Alert History** tab, you can do the following:

- **View Alert History:** View the triggered alerts displayed in the alert history table.
- Search alerts by entering the partial or full name of an alert, source, or description.
- Filter the alerts by **Severity** (*Critical, Error, Caution*) or **Triggered Time**.
- Dismiss alerts by selecting an alert, clicking the ... (ellipsis) button, and then selecting **Dismiss** in the dialog window.
- View alert settings by right-clicking the triggered alert to open the dialog window and selecting **View Settings**.

The **Alert History** table displays all triggered alerts with the following columns:

- **Alert name:** The name of the alert.
- **Severity:** The severity of the alert, which can be *Caution, Error, or Critical*.
- **Source:** The host, VM, or datastore that the alert was triggered for.
- **Triggered time:** The date and time when the alert was triggered.
- **Description:** The description of the alert as defined in the alert template. For details, refer to [Creating Alert Templates](#).

To customize the sorting of the table, click the head of the column you wish to sort by.

Note

The **Alert History** table can display up to 1,000 triggered alert records. After reaching this limit, the oldest alert is replaced automatically with the latest alert.

Alert Template Management

The **Alert Template Management** tab displays all configured alert templates. Alert templates are composed of specific rules that apply to predefined monitored items. When these rules are met in an enabled alert template, an alert is triggered. Disabled alert templates do not trigger alerts. You can configure custom alert templates for specific metrics and thresholds.

The summary bar displays the total number of alert templates and the number of enabled and disabled templates.

Alert template name	Modified date	Status	Source	Rules
<input type="checkbox"/> CPU Usage alert	03 Nov 2023	Disabled	View All	1 Rule added: Active (1), Inactive (0)
<input type="checkbox"/> Connected state	03 Nov 2023	Enabled	View All	1 Rule added: Active (1), Inactive (0)
<input type="checkbox"/> Read rate warning	03 Nov 2023	Enabled	View All	1 Rule added: Active (1), Inactive (0)

In the **Alert Template Management** tab, you can do the following:

- View alert templates: View all enabled and disabled alert templates. You can view details by clicking on an alert template. For details, refer to [“Viewing Alert Template Details” on page 1035](#).
- Search alert templates by entering the partial or full name of the alert.
- Filter alerts by **Status** (*enabled/disabled*), **Severity** (*Critical, Error, Caution*), or **Modified Date**.
- Add a new alert template by clicking the + (add) button and completing the **Create New Alert Template** wizard. For details, refer to [“Creating Alert Templates” on page 1035](#).
- Edit or delete the alert template by clicking the ... (ellipsis) button.

The **Alert Template Management** table displays all configured alert templates with the following columns:

- **Alert template name:** The name of the alert template.
- **Modified date:** The date when the alert template was last modified.
- **Status:** The status of the alert template. Click the **Enabled** button to change the status to **Disabled** and vice versa.
- **Severity:** The severity of the alert when triggered. The alert severity can be *Caution, Error, or Critical*.
- **Source:** Click **View All** to open the **All Sources** dialog window that displays a list of the VMs, datastores, and hosts selected for the alert template.
- **Rules:** Total number of active and inactive rules in the alert template.

To sort the table by **Name**, **Modified date**, **Status**, or **Severity**, click the head of the column you want to sort by.

Note

The **Alert Template Management** table can display up to 100 records for configured alert templates. When this limit is reached, the + (add) button will be disabled.

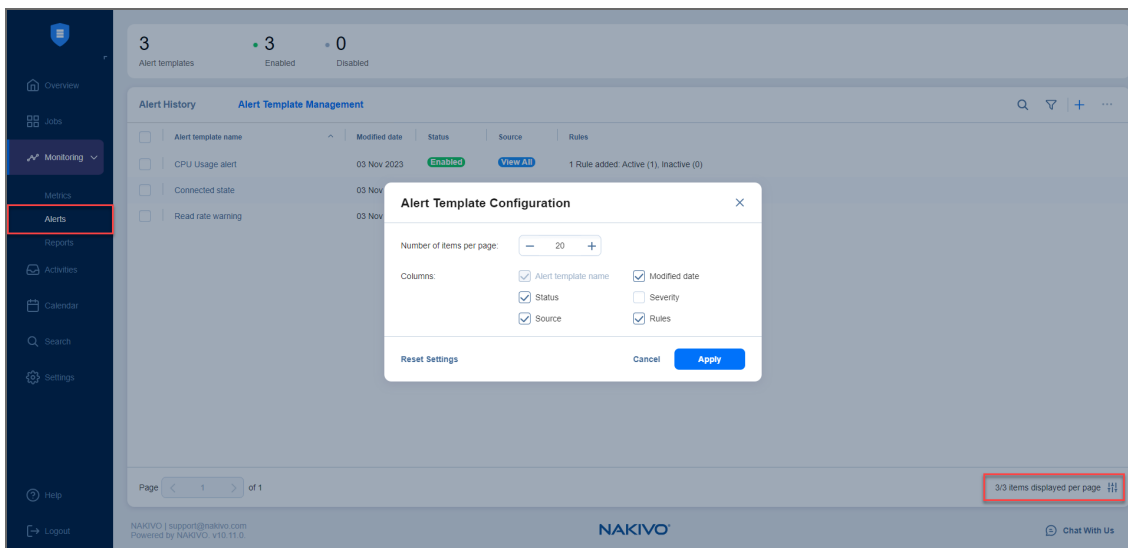
Configuring Table Columns

You can show/hide columns or modify the number of items per page in the **Alert Template Management** table. In the lower right corner, click the controls icon. In the dialog window that opens, select/deselect checkboxes and click **Apply**. The following options are available:

- Alert template name
- Status
- Source
- Modified date
- Severity
- Rules

Note

You cannot modify the **Alert template name** column in this dialog window. Refer to [“Editing Alert Template” on page 1038](#) to learn more about editing alert templates.

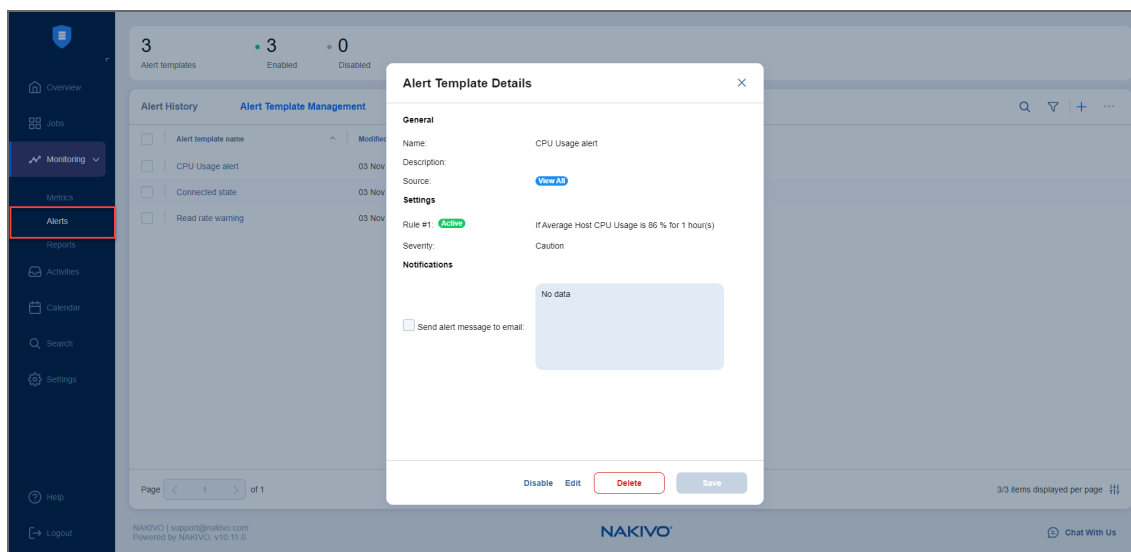


Click **Cancel** to exit or **Reset Settings** to reset to default settings.

Viewing Alert Template Details

Click an alert template to view the details that were configured in the “[Creating Alert Templates](#)” below wizard, including:

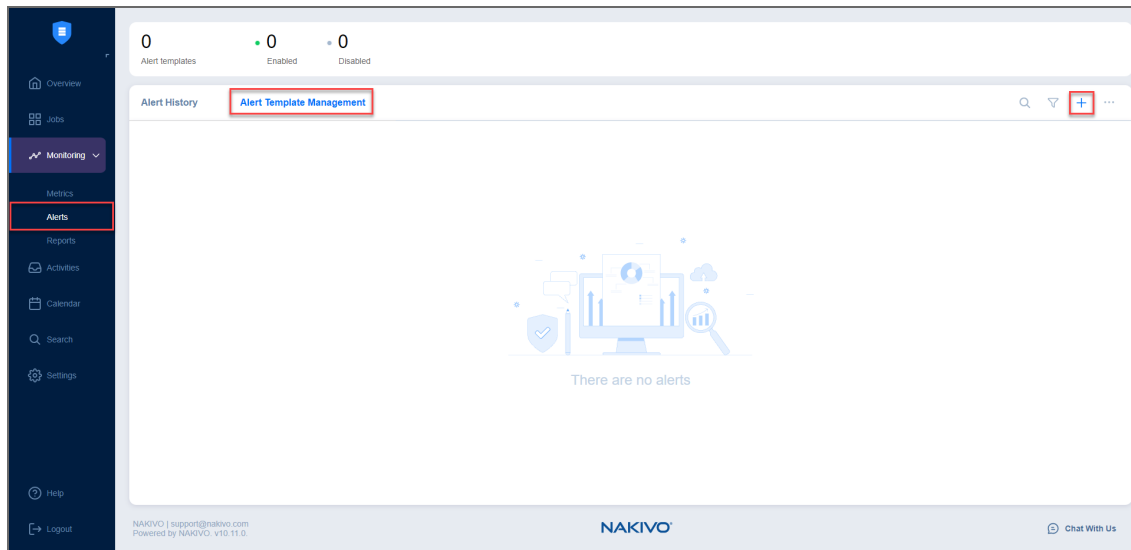
- **General** section: Displays the name and description of the alert. Click **View All** to display all source VMs, hosts, and datastores that were selected for this alert.
- **Settings** section: Lists the defined rules and severity of the alert. Click the **Active** button to change the status of a rule to *Inactive* and vice versa. Alerts will be triggered according to the active rules.
- **Notifications** section: Displays all the email addresses that will receive a notification when the alert is triggered.
- **Enable/Disable** button: Click to enable/disable the alert template.
- **Edit**: Click to open the **Edit Alert Template Wizard**. For details, refer to “[Editing Alert Template](#)” on [page 1038](#).
- **Delete**: Click to delete the alert template.
- **Save**: Click to save changes.



Creating Alert Templates

To create an alert template:

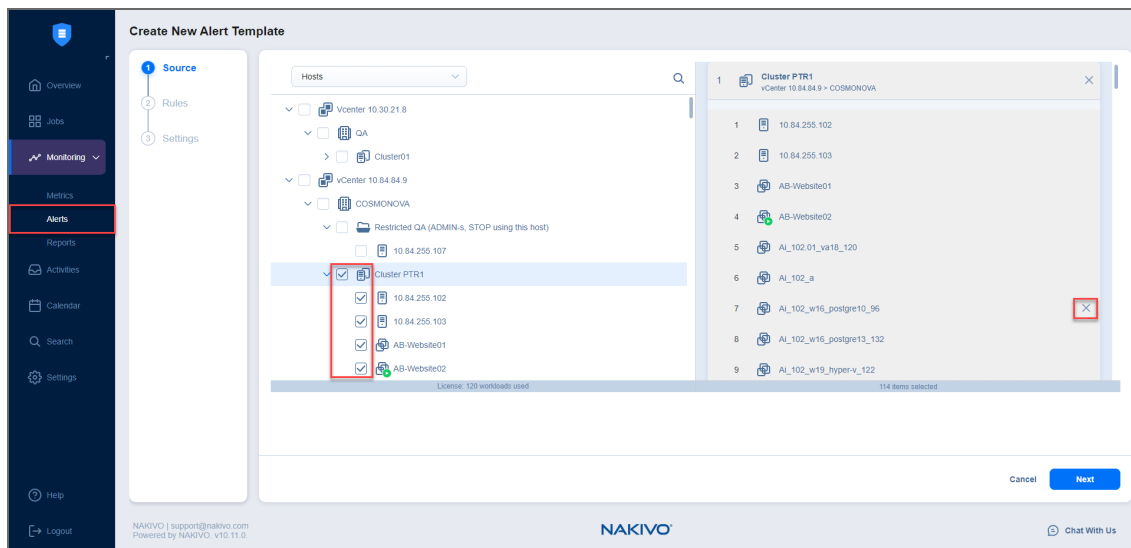
1. Go to **Monitoring > Alerts** and click the **Alert Template Management** tab.
2. Click the + (add) button. The **Create New Alert Template** wizard opens.



3. Complete the wizard as described in the sections below:
 - “Create New Alert Template Wizard: Source” below
 - “Create New Alert Template Wizard: Rules” on the next page
 - “Create New Alert Template Wizard: Settings” on the next page

Create New Alert Template Wizard: Source

1. At the **Source** step of the wizard, you can select the items to be covered by the alert template:
2. Select a view in the drop-down list:
 - **Hosts:** Displays all hosts in the **Inventory**.
 - **Datastores:** Displays all datastores in the **Inventory**.
 - **VM:** Displays all VMs in the **Inventory**.
3. Select the needed item(s). These items will appear in the right pane. You can click the **X** button to the right of an item to remove it. When done, click **Next**.

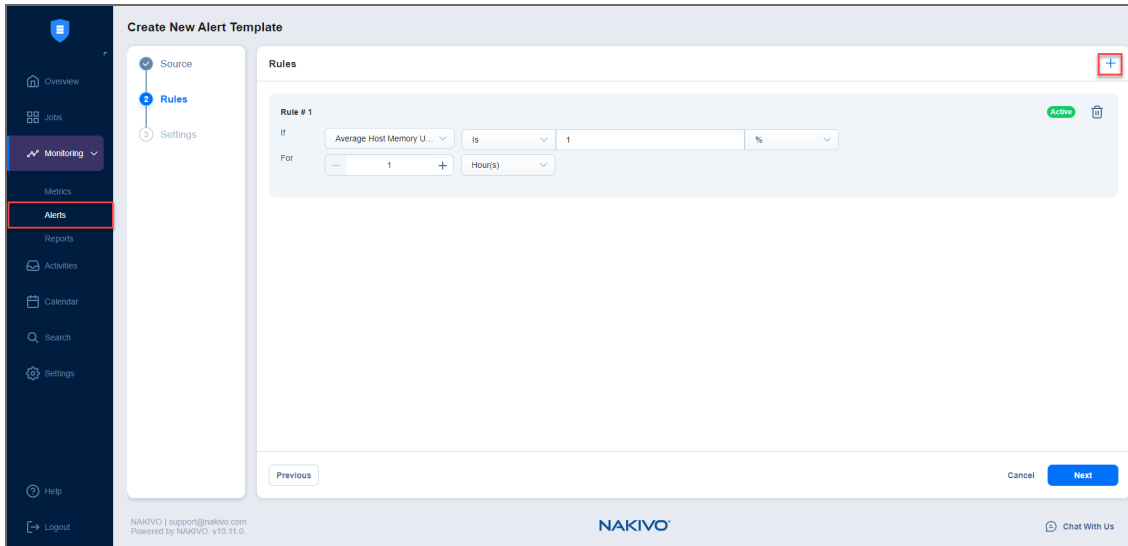


Note

You can select only one monitored items type view at a time. If you switch to another view, items selected in the previous view are deselected.

Create New Alert Template Wizard: Rules

At the **Rules** step of the wizard, you can create the rules for triggering an alert for the items selected at the **Source** step. To add a rule, click the **+** (add) button.



Each rule includes the following components:

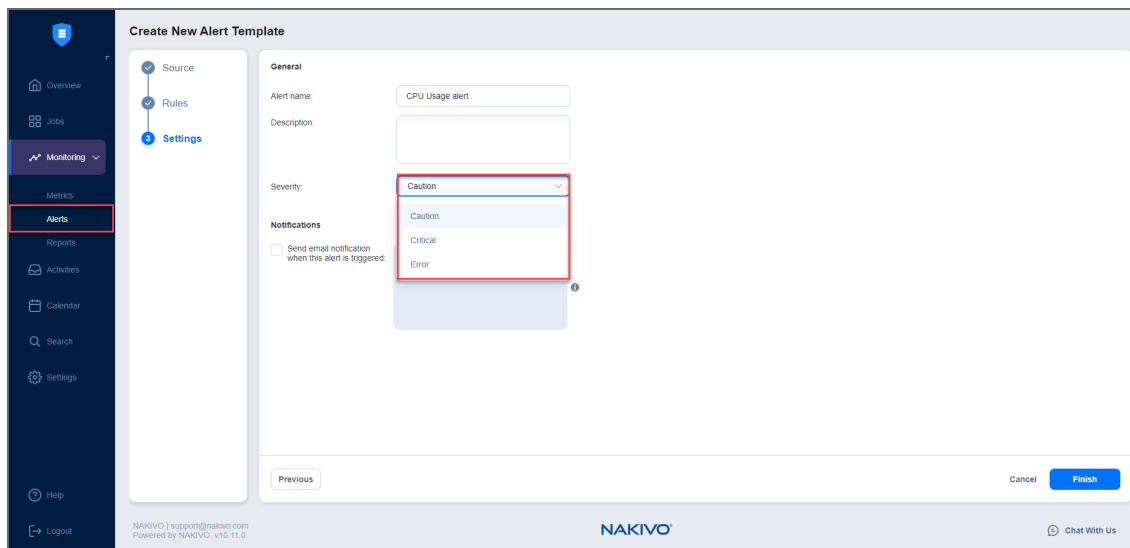
- Rule order number.
- **Active/Inactive** button: Click the button to change the status of the rule.
- **Delete** icon: Click the icon to delete a rule.
- **If** row, including the following components:
 - **Metrics**: Displays a list of metrics relevant to the item type selected in the **Source** step.
 - **Conditions**: Displays a list of conditions relevant to the selected metrics in the **Metrics** dropdown list.
 - **Metric value and unit**: Displays the value field and units button.
- **For** row: Configure a duration by selecting a unit of time and inputting a number.

You can create additional rules if needed. The maximum number of rules that you can add per template is 10. When done, click **Next**.

Create New Alert Template Wizard: Settings

At the **Settings** step of the wizard, you can specify the alert name and severity. You can also enable email notifications for triggered alerts:

1. Enter the name, description, and severity of the alert that will be displayed in the **Alert History** and **Alert Template Management** tables. For details, refer to [“Viewing Alert Template Details” on page 1035](#).
2. To receive alert notifications by email, select the checkbox in the **Notifications** section and specify the email addresses. You cannot enter more than 100 email addresses.
3. Click **Finish** to close the wizard. The configured alert template will be added to the **Alert Template Management** table.



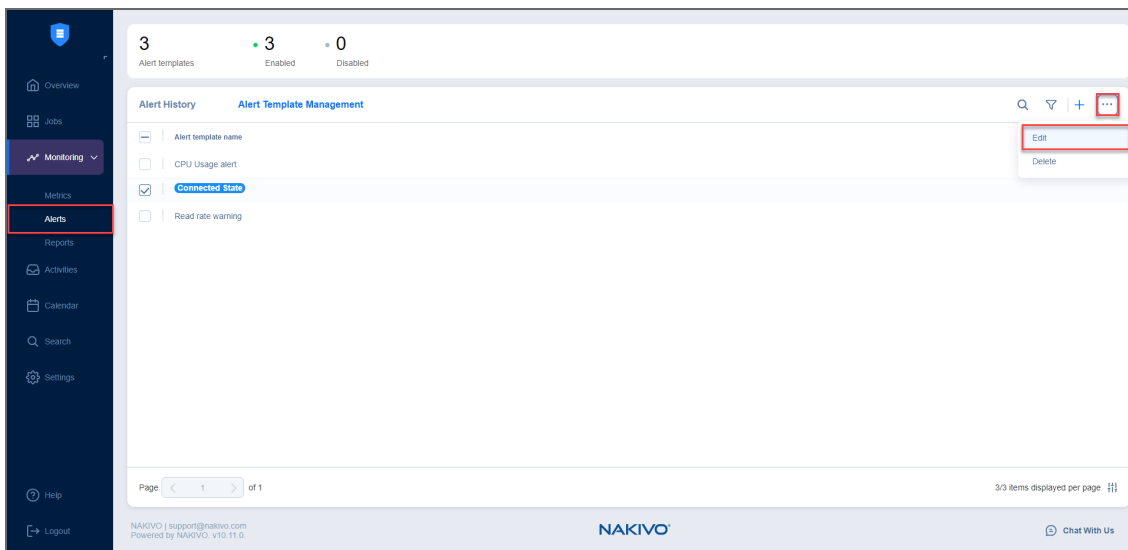
Editing Alert Template

To edit an alert template:

Go to **Monitoring > Alerts** and click the **Alert Template Management** tab.

Select the checkbox next to the template that you want to edit, click the ... (ellipsis) button, and then select **Edit** in the drop-down list.

The **Edit Alert Template** wizard opens. Follow the same procedure as described in the [“Creating Alert Templates” on page 1035](#) section.



Note

You cannot modify the Item types in the dropdown list of the **Source** tab.

Alerts

With **Monitoring** in NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can set up alerts to be triggered for hosts, VMs, and datastores when configured monitoring rules are met. You can create custom alerts using alert templates to help you detect malicious changes in the infrastructure.

The **Alerts** dashboard displays the list of all alerts triggered when the rules for enabled alert templates are met and allows you to create or edit any alert templates. A summary bar is displayed at the top of the **Alerts** dashboard with the total number of triggered alerts and alert templates. The summary bar displays the total number of triggered alerts categorized by three severity levels: *critical*, *error*, and *caution*.

Refer to the following topics to learn how to view triggered alerts and configure alert templates:

- [“Alert History” on page 1031](#)
- [“Alert Template Management” on page 1033](#)

Metrics

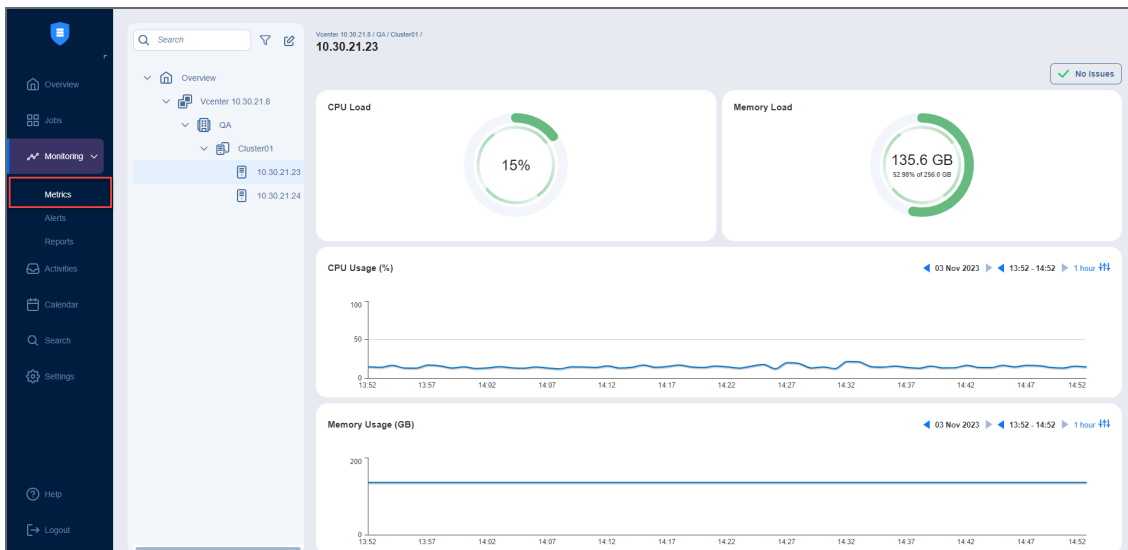
The **Metrics** dashboard displays the key indicators for monitored items. When you go to **Monitoring**, the **Metrics** dashboard is displayed by default. Refer to the following topics to learn how to use the **Metrics** dashboard:

- [“Metrics” above](#)
- [“Managing Monitored Items” on page 1041](#)

Metrics Overview

In the left pane of the **Metrics** dashboard, you can find the following:

- **Search** box: Enter the partial or full name of an item in the search box to find it in your inventory items.
- **Filter** button: Click the button to filter the items displayed by type. You can filter the displayed items by:
 - Hosts
 - Datastores
 - VMs
- **Edit** button: Manually select items from your **Inventory** to monitor or create a **policy rule** for items to be added automatically.
- **Overview**: Monitored items are displayed in tree view when you expand **Overview**. Select a monitored item to view the corresponding metrics.



In the right pane of the **Metrics** dashboard, you can see the number of issues and the corresponding performance bar and line charts for the monitored item.

The following information is displayed for each type of selected item:

- VMs
 - **CPU Load**: Shows the CPU load in percentage in real time.
 - **Memory Load**: Shows the memory usage in percentage in real time.
 - **Disk Usage**: Shows the disk usage in gigabytes in real time.
 - **CPU Usage (%)**: Shows the CPU load in percentage over a specified period of time.
 - **Memory Usage (GB)**: Shows the memory usage in gigabytes over a specified period of time.
 - **Disk Usage (GB)**: Shows the disk usage in gigabytes over a specified period of time.

- Hosts
 - **CPU Load:** Shows the CPU load in percentage in real time.
 - **Memory Load:** Shows the memory usage in gigabytes in real time.
 - **CPU Usage (%):** Shows the CPU load in percentage over a specified period of time.
 - **Memory Usage (GB):** Shows the memory usage in gigabytes over a specified period of time.
- Datastores
 - **Disk Usage:** Shows the disk usage in terabytes in real time.
 - **Disk Usage (TB):** Shows the disk usage in terabytes over a specified period of time.

Managing Monitored Items

In this section, you can find out how to manage the items monitored in NAKIVO Backup & Replication, add items to the monitoring dashboard, specify time frames for charts, and understand data collection and data aggregation.

- [“Adding Items to Monitoring Dashboard” below](#)
- [“Setting Up Chart Time Frames” on page 1043](#)
- [“Data Collection” on page 1044](#)
- [“Data Aggregation” on page 1044](#)

Adding Items to Monitoring Dashboard

The items added to the **Monitoring** dashboard depend on the NAKIVO Backup & Replication license.

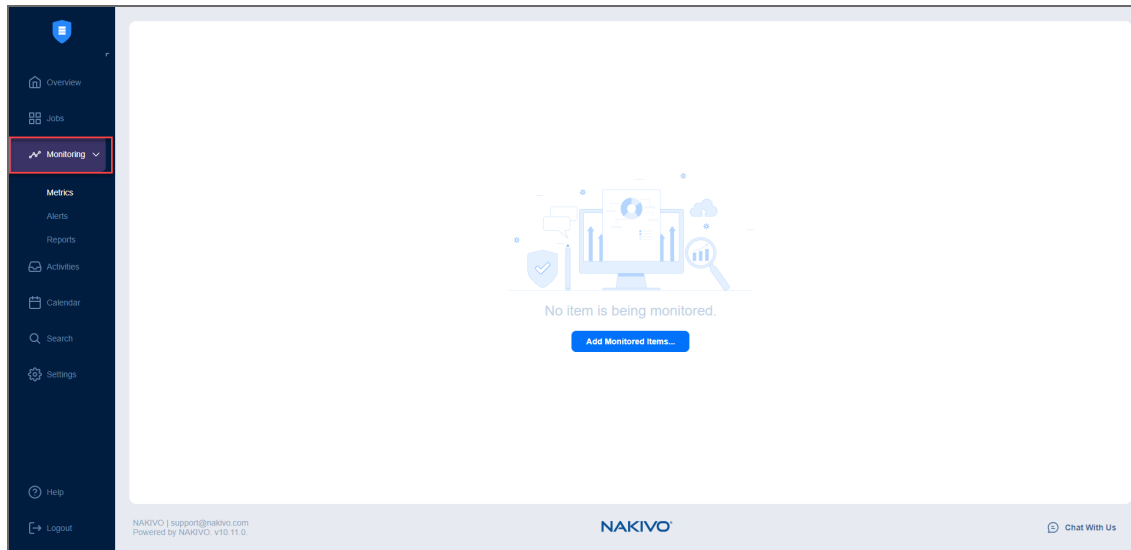
Note

To use **Monitoring**, the following conditions must be met:

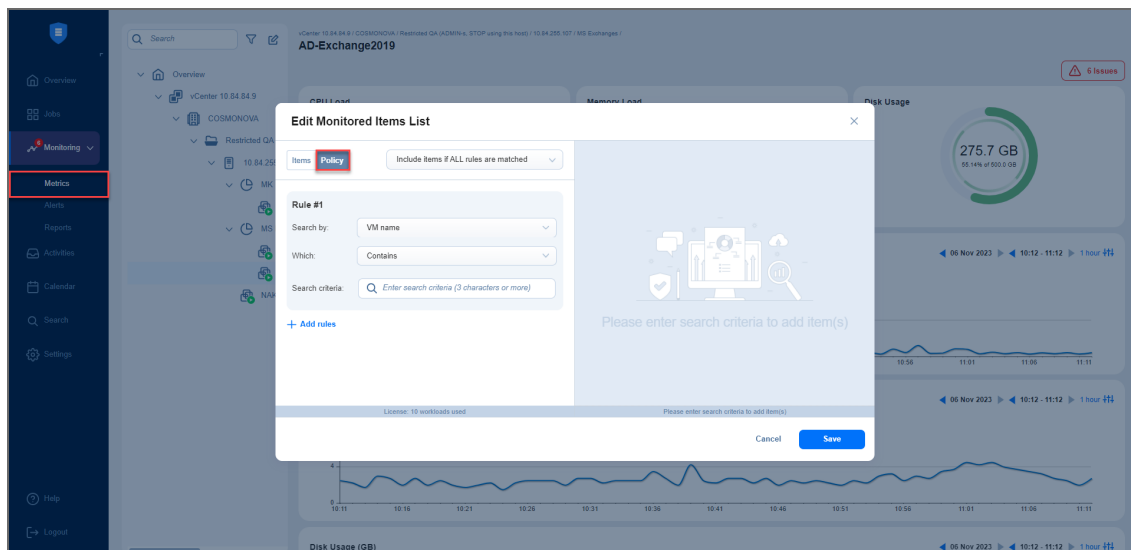
- You must have a license for **Monitoring**. When using a non-trial license, you can add supported **Inventory** items to be monitored and edit those items manually.
- Items of the [supported platform](#) must be [added to the Inventory](#).
- If a Free Trial license is installed, the product automatically adds top-level VMware vSphere containers from the **Inventory** to the list of monitored items when an **Inventory** item is initially discovered.

When first accessing the dashboard, you see the **No item is being monitored** message.

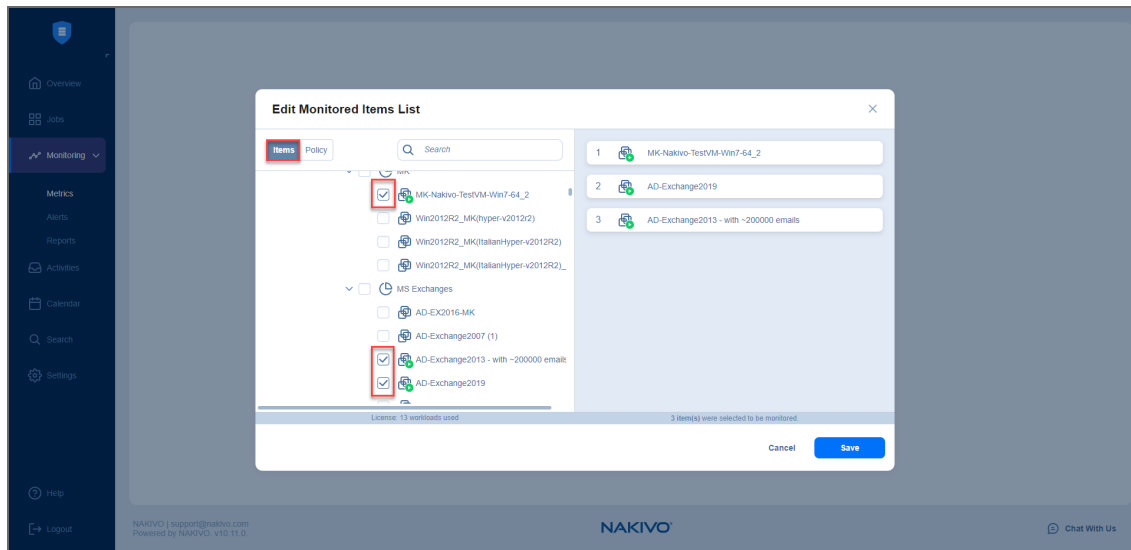
1. Click **Add Monitored Items...** to open the **Edit Monitored Items List** dialog window:



2. On the left side, choose the items you want to add for monitoring. Alternatively, you can set up **policy rules** to automatically add inventory items for monitoring.

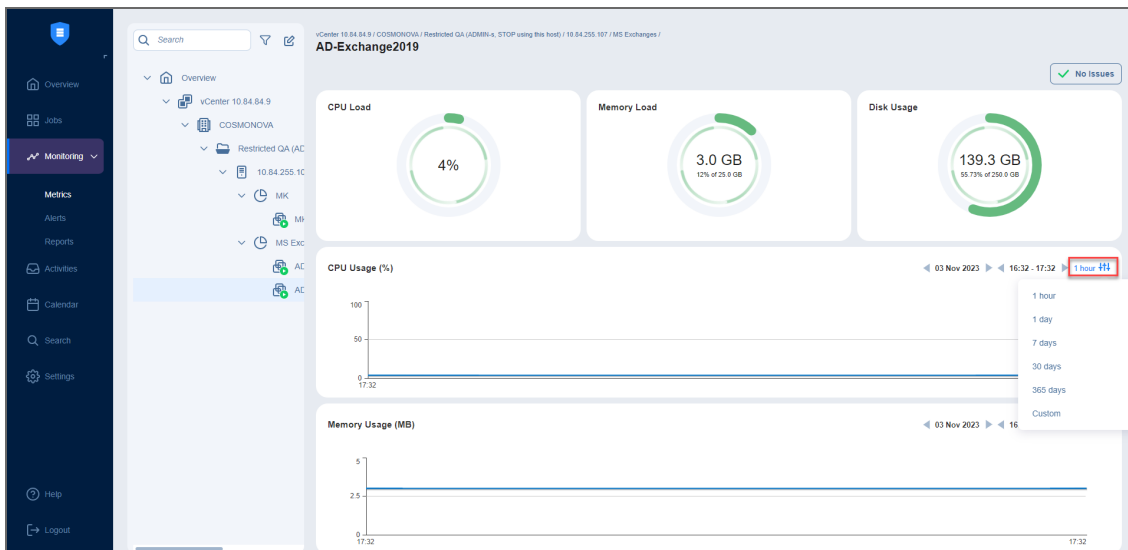


3. Click **Save** when you are done.



Setting Up Chart Time Frames

You can specify time frames for the displayed historical CPU, memory, and disk usage line charts. To do so, click on the controls icon on the right for the needed chart and choose one of the following options:



1 hour – to display data for a 1-hour time frame. The hour can then be specified.

1 day – to display data for a 1-day time frame. The day can then be specified.

7 days – to display data for a 7-day time frame. The 7-day period can then be specified.

30 days – to display data for a 30-day time frame. The 30-day period can then be specified.

365 days – to display data for a 365-day time frame. The 365-day period can then be specified.

Custom – when you select this option, the **Calendar** popup opens, and you can specify a custom time range for the chart. Click **Apply** when you are done.

Data Collection

NAKIVO Backup & Replication collects and updates data about monitored items every minute.

For VM CPU load, VM memory load, host CPU load, and host memory load, the following exceptions apply:

- If the product cannot collect data every 1 minute for 5 minutes, data collection switches to a 5-minute interval. This mode collects 5 data points at once.
- If the product cannot collect data every 5 minutes for 10 minutes, data collection switches to a 10-minute interval. This mode collects 10 data points at once.

For VM disk usage, VM memory usage, and datastore disk usage, if the product cannot collect data every 1 minute for 5 minutes, multiple real-time data points are collected but only the latest single data point within the 5-minute interval is retained and displayed.

Note

It may take up to 3-5 minutes for the widgets of the **Overview** tab to finish collecting data and display the latest information.

Data Aggregation

NAKIVO Backup & Replication creates a data point every minute. As the archive grows, the data points are aggregated as follows:

- 1-minute data points are aggregated into 10-minute data points every 10 minutes and calculated as the average value of all 1-minute points. 1-minute data points that are older than 1 day are automatically removed.
- 10-minute data points are aggregated into 1-hour data points and calculated as the average value of all 10-minute points. 10-minute data points that are older than 1 week are automatically removed.
- After a year, 1-hour data points are removed.

Reports

The **Reports** dashboard allows you to add and view different types of reports about the monitored items in your VMware vSphere infrastructure. You can group reports, export reports to *PDF* or *CSV* format, as well as edit and delete them.

Refer to the following topics to learn how to use the **Reports** feature:

[“Reports” above](#)

[“Report Types” on page 1046](#)

[Creating Reports](#)

[“Editing Reports” on page 1056](#)

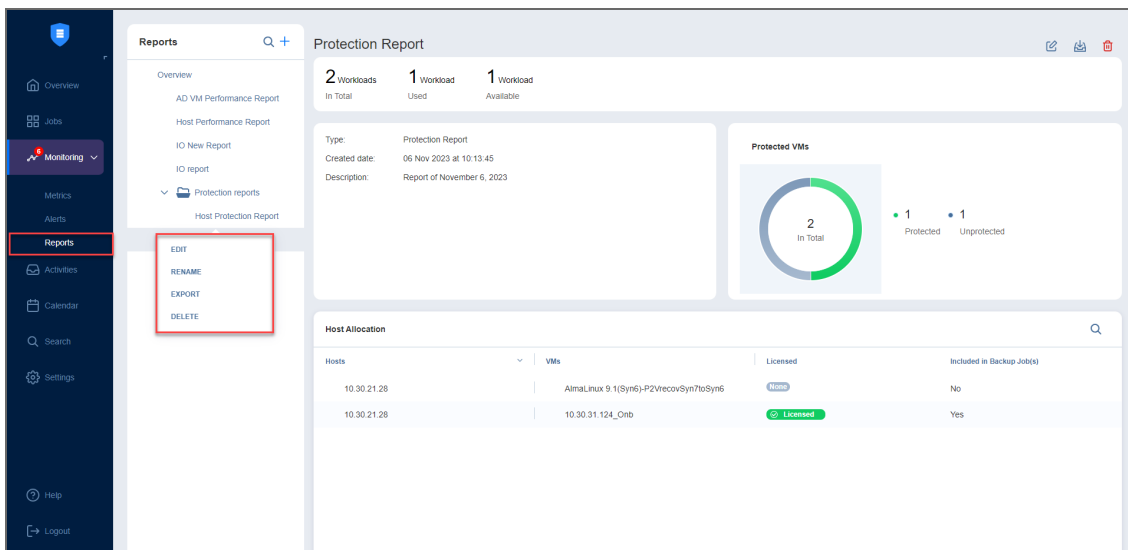
[“Exporting Reports” on page 1057](#)

Reports Overview

The **Reports** dashboard displays all reports that have been added.

The left pane of the **Reports** dashboard includes the following options:

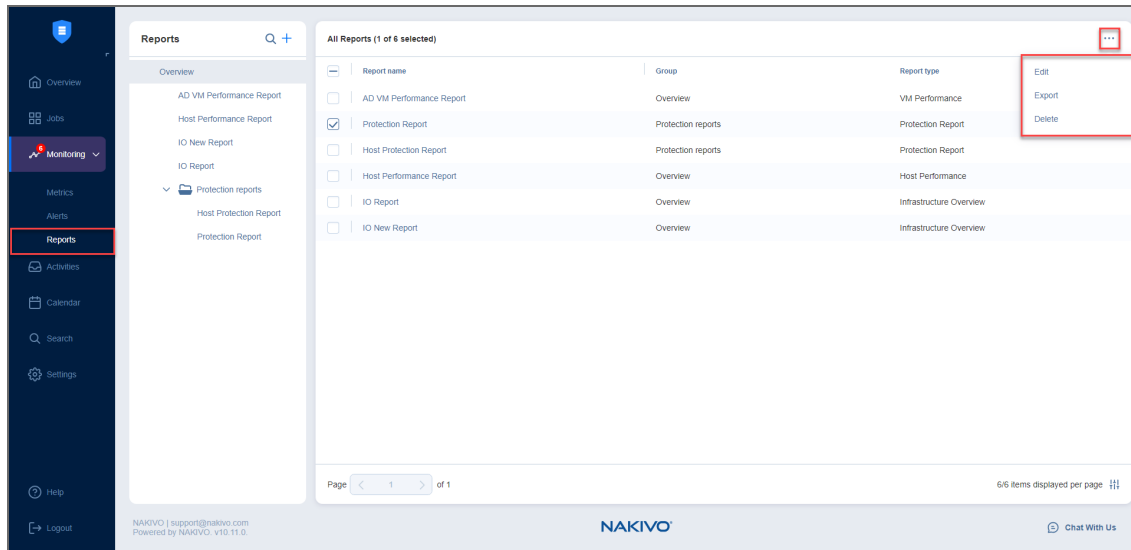
- **Search** button: Click the button and enter the partial or full name of a report/group in the search bar to find it.
- **+ (add)** button: Click to add a new report or create a report group. For details, refer to [Creating Reports](#).
- **Overview** list: Displays all the added reports and/or report groups. Select a report to display its details in the right panel. Right-click a report to open the dialog window with the following options: **EDIT**, **RENAME**, **EXPORT**, and **DELETE**.



In the right pane of the **Reports** dashboard, the **All Reports** table is displayed with the following options:

- **...** (ellipsis) button in the top right corner:
 - **Edit**: Select a report and click **Edit** to open the **Edit Report** wizard.
 - **Export**: Select a report and click **Export** to export it in *PDF* or *CSV* format.
 - **Delete**: Select a report and click **Delete** to remove it from the **All Reports** table.
- **Checkbox**: Select a report to edit, download, or delete reports as described above.
- **Report name**: Name of the configured report.
- **Group**: Displays the name of the group the report belongs to. If a report is not part of a specific group, **Overview** is displayed.
- **Report type**: Displays the report type selected in the **Add New Report** wizard. For details, refer to

“Report Types” below and Creating Reports.



Note

The **Reports** dashboard can display up to 100 created reports. When this limit is reached, the + (add) button will be disabled.

Report Types

The following report types are available:

- “Infrastructure Overview” below
- “VM Performance” on page 1048
- “Datastore Capacity” on page 1049
- “Host Performance” on page 1050
- “Protection Report” on page 1051

Note

The report content will vary depending on the report type and configurations defined in the [Add New Report wizard](#) or [Edit Report wizard](#).

Infrastructure Overview

Displays an overview of selected vCenters, child hosts, and standalone hosts.

The screenshot displays the NAKIVO IO Report interface. At the top, a summary bar shows the following counts: 1 vCenter Servers, 1 Datacenters, 1 Clusters, 2 Hosts, and 374 VMs. Below this, the report settings are shown: Type: Infrastructure Overview, Created date: 06 Nov 2023 at 10:07:08, and Description: Infrastructure Monitoring.

The 'vCenter Servers' table contains one entry:

vCenter Servers	Datacenters	Clusters	VMs	Hosts	Physical CPU (GHz)	Physical Memory (GB)	Datastore Capacity (TB)
Vcenter 10.30.21.8	1	1	374	2	4	511.9 GB	-

The 'Host Allocation' table contains two entries:

vCenter Servers	Hosts	Cores	vCPUs	VMs	vCPU/Cores	vCPUs/VMs
Vcenter 10.30.21.8	10.30.21.24	12	338	128	28.16	10.66
Vcenter 10.30.21.8	10.30.21.23	8	432	246	54	30.75

The footer of the interface includes the NAKIVO logo, contact information (support@nakivo.com), and a 'Chat With Us' button.

- **Summary bar:** Displays the total number of infrastructure items including:
 - vCenter Servers
 - Datacenters
 - Clusters
 - Hosts
 - VMs
- **Report Settings:** Displays the report type, date the report was created, and report description.
- **vCenter Servers table:** Displays the name of all selected vCenter Servers and their respective numbers of datacenters, clusters, VMs, and hosts, as well as physical CPU (GHz), physical memory (GB), datastore capacity (TB).
- **Host Allocation table:** Displays host allocation details of the selected items. The table displays the following columns:
 - Hosts
 - vCenter Servers
 - Cores

- vCPUs. Virtual CPUs configured for VMs
- VMs
- vCPU/Cores. The number of vCPU divided by the number of Cores
- vCPUs/VMs. The number of vCPU divided by the number of VMs

Note

- If added separately, child hosts and/or standalone hosts will not be displayed in the **vCenter Servers** table.
- The **Host Allocation** table will display - (hyphen) for child hosts and/or standalone hosts listed in the **vCenter Servers** column.

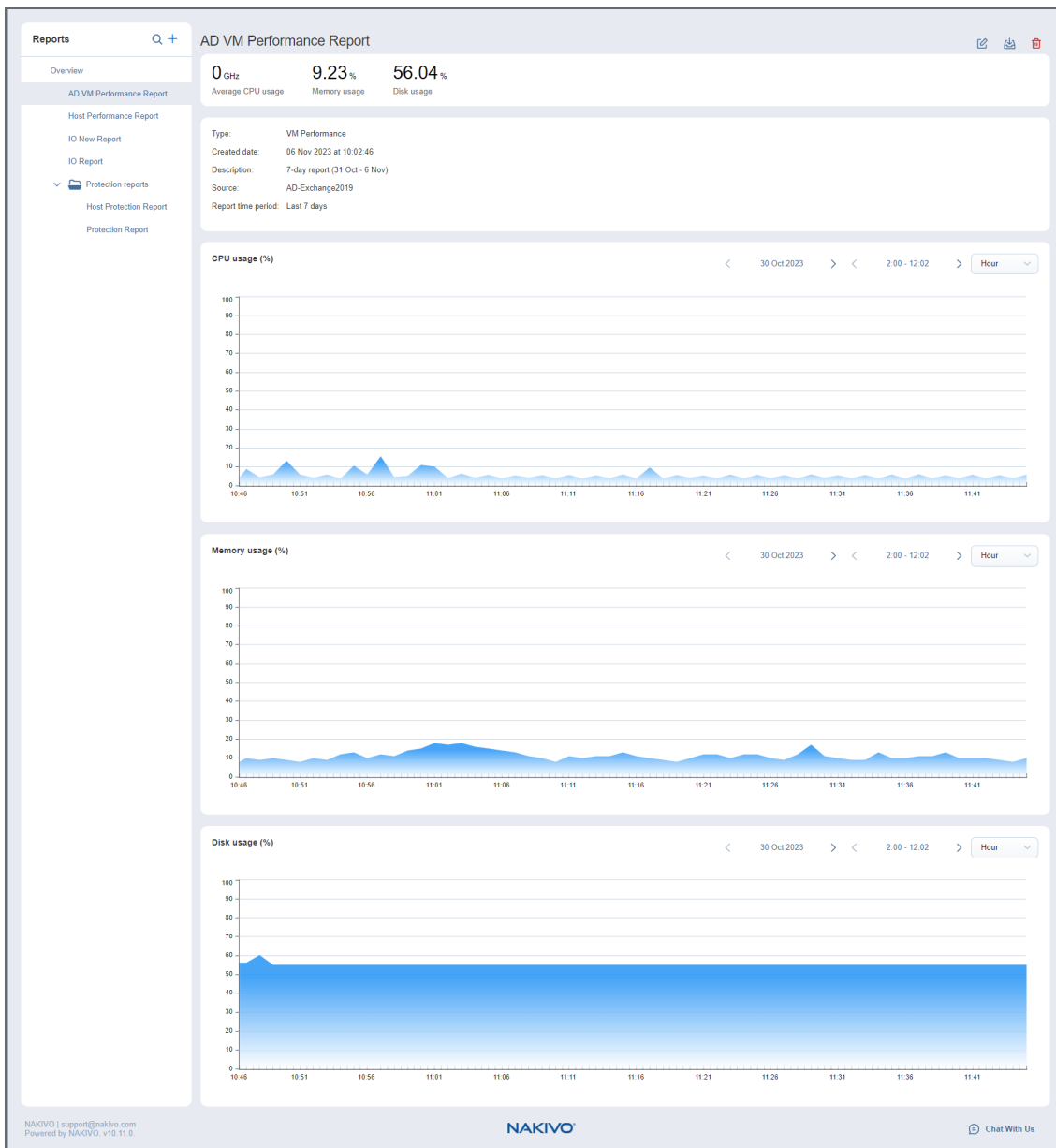
Use the **search** and **filter** buttons in the top right corner of the table to narrow down the list shown.

Note

Corresponding search results will be displayed for the selected table: for the **vCenter Servers** table, search will return the vCenter servers list while search in the **Host Allocation** table will return hosts list.

VM Performance

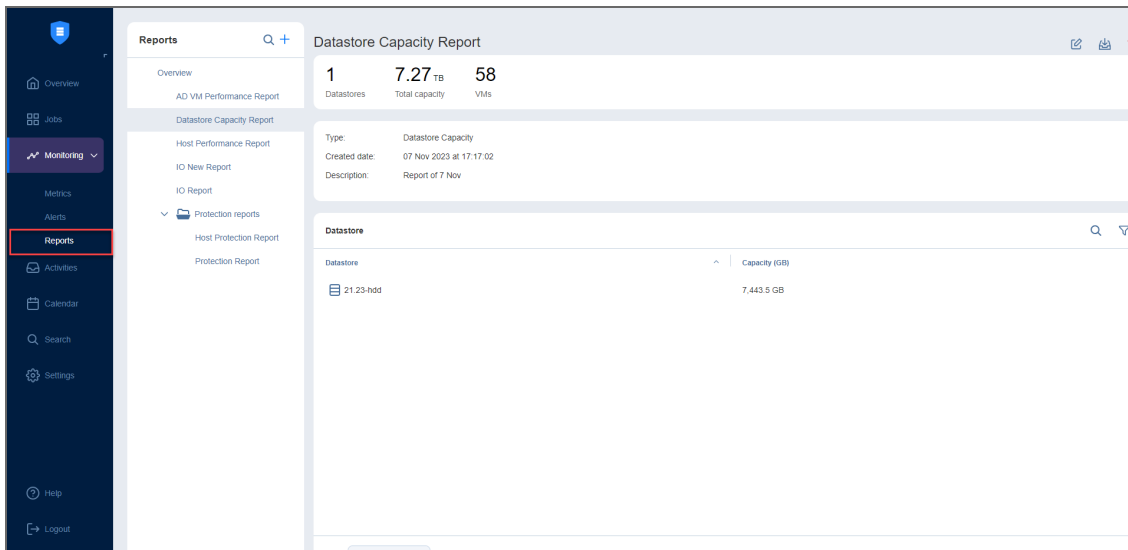
Displays the changes in the average VM CPU usage, memory usage, and disk usage for the items.



- **Summary bar:** Displays the following:
 - Average CPU Usage in GHz
 - Memory Usage in %
 - Disk Usage in %
 - **Report Settings:** Displays the report type, date the report was created, description of the report, source items, and report time period.
- **CPU usage (%), Memory usage (%), and Disk usage (%)** graphs: Display the average CPU usage, memory usage, and disk usage of selected sources.

Datastore Capacity

Displays information about the capacity of monitored datastores.

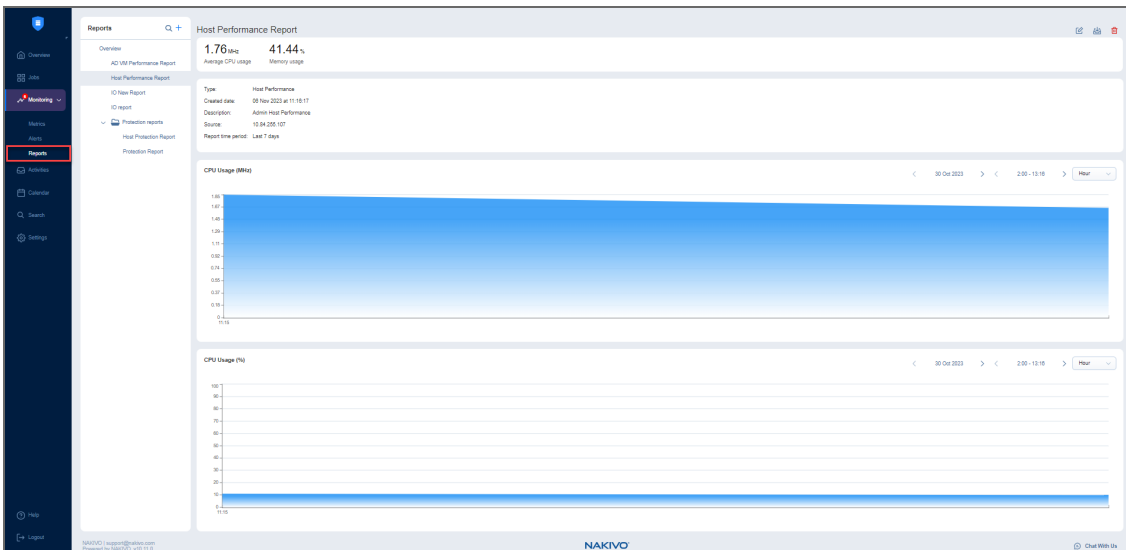


- **Summary bar:** Displays the following:
 - Number of datastores
 - Total capacity for all datastores in TB
 - Total number of VMs stored on these datastores
- **Report Settings:** Displays the report type, the date the report was created, and the description of the report.
- **Datastore table:** Displays the search and filter buttons and the following columns:
 - Datastore
 - Capacity (GB)
 - Free space (GB)
 - Used space
 - VM count: Displays the number of VMs stored on the datastores.

If needed, use the **search** and **filter** buttons in the top right corner of the table to narrow down the list shown.

Host Performance

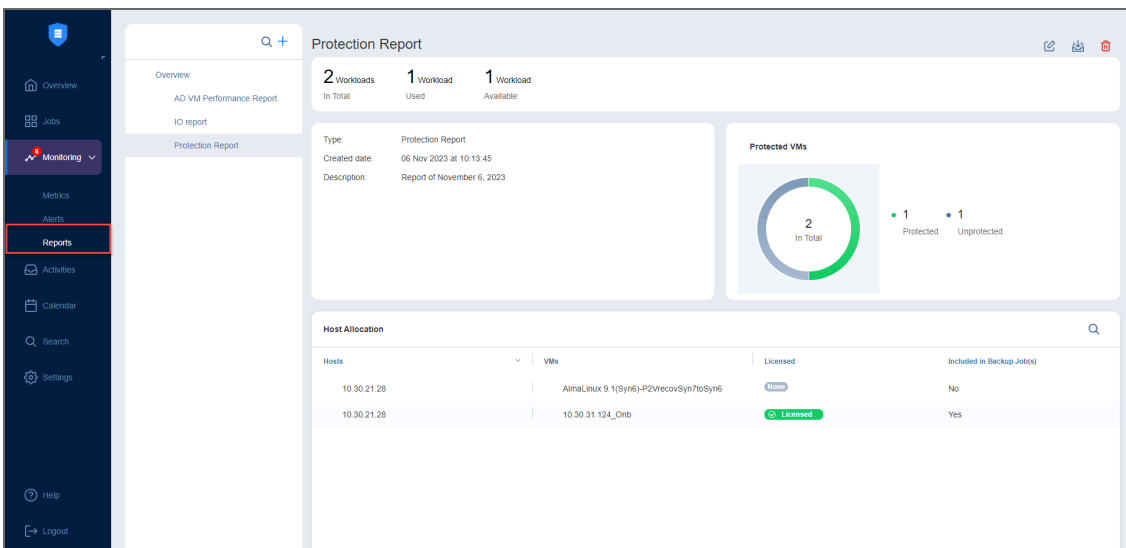
Displays the changes in the average CPU usage and memory usage metrics from the selected sources.



- **Summary bar:** Displays the following:
 - Average CPU usage in MHz
 - Memory usage in % unit
- **Report Settings:** Displays the report type, date the report was created, description of the report, source items, and report time period.
- **CPU usage (MHz) and CPU Usage (%)** graphs: Display the average CPU usage of selected sources.

Protection Report

Captures and displays the current (by the time the report is created) state/information of applied NBR licenses for selected hosts and VMs.



- **Summary bar:** Depending on the license type, the summary bar will display the following:
 - A total number of discovered NBR workloads/sockets
 - A total number of used NBR workloads/sockets

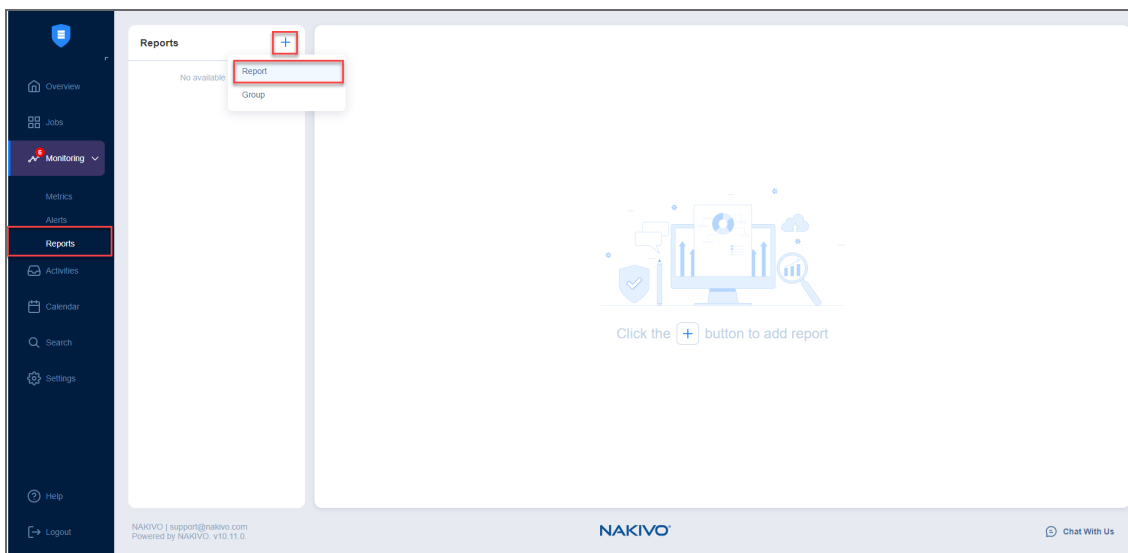
- A total number of available workloads/sockets
- **Report Settings:** Displays the report type, the date when the report was created, and the description of the report.
- **Protected VMs** chart: Displays the number of protected (licensed) and unprotected (unlicensed) VMs from selected source items.
- **Host Allocation** table: Displays host allocation details of the selected source items. The table displays the following columns:
 - **Hosts**
 - **VMs**
 - **Licensed:** Displays **Licensed** if a NAKIVO Backup & Replication license is applied to the monitored item for backup jobs.
 - **Included in Backup Job(s):** Displays **Yes** if the VMs have been backed up in a backup job.

If needed, use the **search** button in the top right corner of the table to narrow down the list shown.

Adding Reports

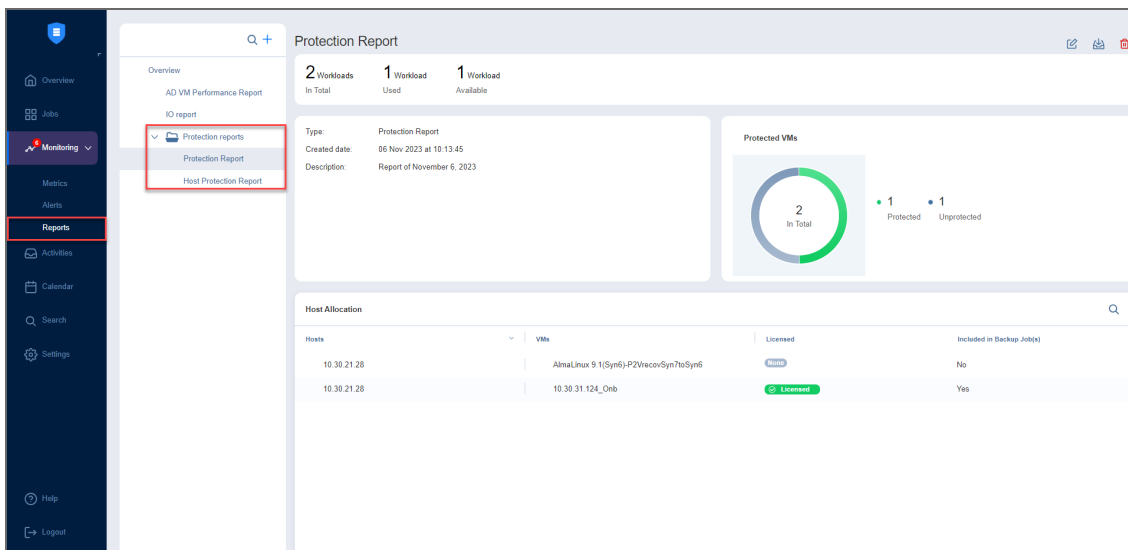
To create a report:

1. Go to **Monitoring > Reports**.
2. In the **Reports** dashboard, click the **+** (add) button. The **Add New Report** wizard opens.



Note

You can also select **Group** to add a report group and then drag the needed report to it in the **Reports Overview** pane.



Complete the wizard as described in the sections below:

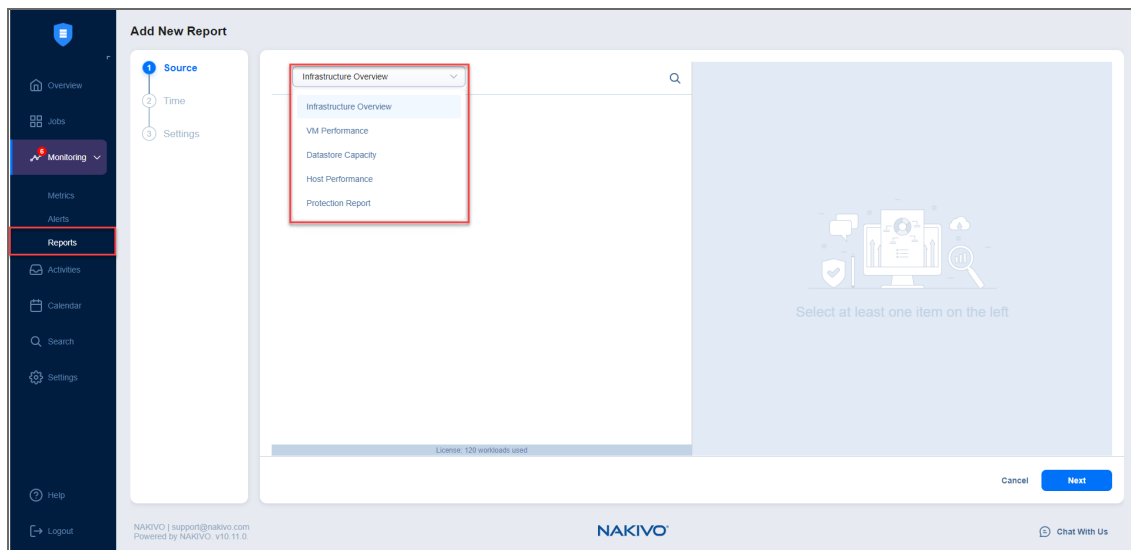
- [“Add New Report Wizard: Source”](#) below
- [“Create New Report Wizard: Time”](#) on the next page
- [“Create New Report Wizard: Settings”](#) on page 1055

Add New Report Wizard: Source

At the **Source** step of the wizard, you can....

1. Select the reports type in the drop-down list:
 - **Infrastructure Overview:** Displays all discovered vCenters, child hosts, and standalone hosts.
 - **VM Performance:** Displays all VMs with hosts and clusters, which were added to monitoring items.
 - **Datastore Capacity:** Displays all the datastores that were added to monitoring items.
 - **Host Performance:** Displays all the hosts that were added to monitoring items.
 - **Protection Report:** Displays all discovered hosts and all child VMs.

For details, refer to [“Report Types”](#) on page 1046.



2. Select the needed items and then:
 - Click **Next** to proceed to the next step.
 - Click **Cancel** to close the wizard.

If necessary, click the **X** button to the right of an item in the right pane to remove it.

Note

You cannot select multiple report types.

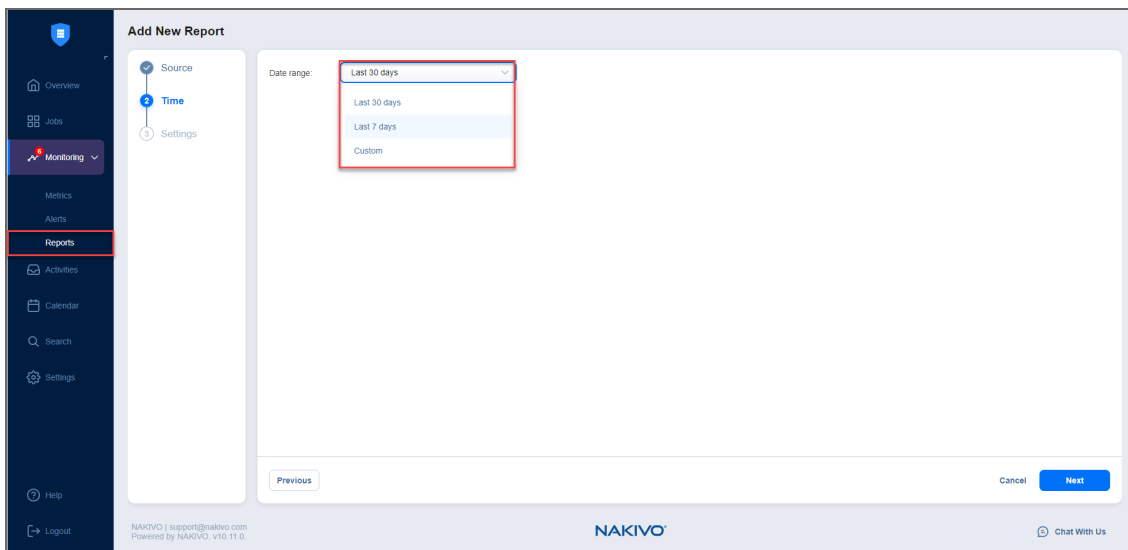
If necessary, use the search box to display items based on the selected report.

Create New Report Wizard: Time

At the **Time** step, you can specify the date range for a report.

Select the time period the report should cover and then click **Next**. The following options are available:

- **Last 30 days**
- **Last 7 days**
- **Custom:** Select to pick a custom date range



Note

If you select **Infrastructure Overview**, **Datastore Capacity**, or **Protection Report** at the **Source** step, you can only generate a report for the same day.

Click **Cancel** to close the wizard or click on a previous step to view or make changes.

Create New Report Wizard: Settings

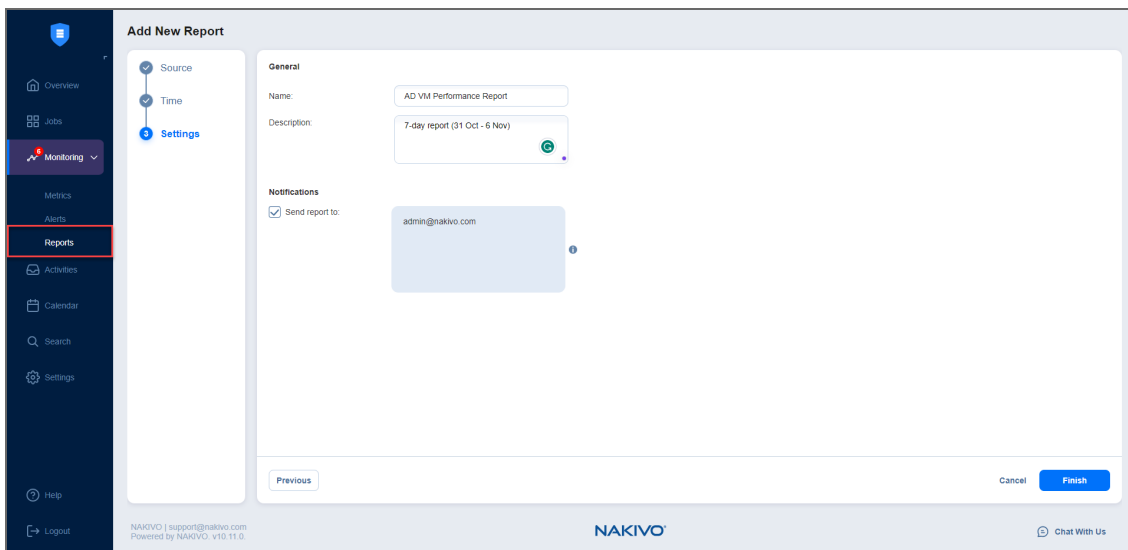
At the **Settings** step:

1. In the **General** section: Provide a name and description (optional) of the report.
2. In the **Notifications** section: Select the **Send report to** checkbox and enter the email recipients if you want to send the report.
3. Click **Finish** to create the report. The configured report will be added to the **Reports** table and the report will be sent to the specified email recipients if the option was selected.

Note

You cannot enter more than 100 email addresses.

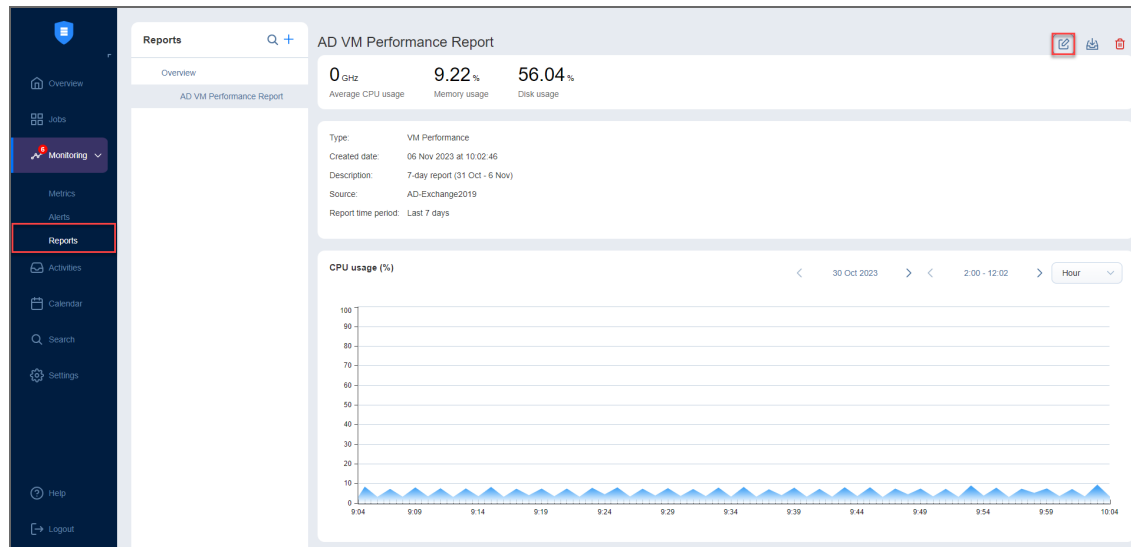
Click **Cancel** to close the wizard or click on a previous step to view or edit it.



Editing Reports

To edit a report:

1. Go to **Monitoring > Reports** and click **Overview**.
2. In the **All Reports** table, select a report, click the ... (ellipsis) button, and then select **Edit** in the dropdown list. Alternatively, select a report in the left panel and click the **Edit** icon in the top right of the panel. The **Edit Report** wizard opens.



3. Follow the procedure described in [“Adding Reports”](#) on page 1052.

Note

The **Item types** in the dropdown list of the **Source** tab cannot be modified in the **Edit Report** wizard.

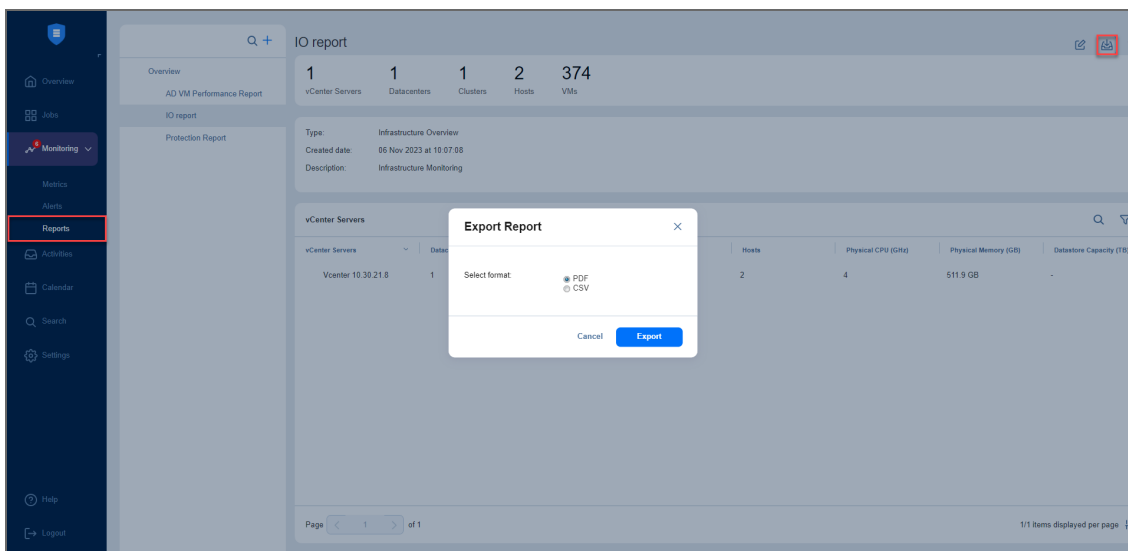
Exporting Reports

Note

The report content will vary depending on the report type and configurations defined in the [Add New Report wizard](#) or [Edit Report wizard](#).

To export a report:

1. Go to **Monitoring > Reports** and click **Overview**.
2. In the **All Reports** table, select a report, click the ... (ellipsis) button, and then select **Export** in the dropdown list. Alternatively, select a report in the left panel and click the **Export** icon in the top right of the panel. The **Export Report** wizard opens.
3. Select the format: *PDF* or *CSV*, and click **Export**.



Note

Host Performance and **VM Performance** reports can be exported to the *PDF* format only.

Integration and Automation

This section contains the following topics:

- [“Command Line Interface” on page 1059](#)
- [“Automation with HTTP API” on page 1073](#)
- [“Aptare IT Analytics Integration” on page 1074](#)

Command Line Interface

This section covers the following topics:

- [“Using Command Line Interface” on page 1060](#)
- [“Available Commands” on page 1062](#)
- [“Exit Codes” on page 1072](#)

Using Command Line Interface

- [“Operation Modes of Command Line Interface” below](#)
- [“Using Command Line Interface Locally” below](#)
- [“Using Command Line Interface Remotely” below](#)
- [“Using Command Line Interface in Multi-Tenant Mode” on the next page](#)

NAKIVO Backup & Replication allows you running actions from the product’s command line interface (CLI). In case credentials are configured for the product, running an action via CLI requires providing administrator credentials as arguments, namely, `--username [login] --password [password]`, where `[login]` is the administrator user name and `[password]` is the administrator password.

Operation Modes of Command Line Interface

You can run CLI in either of the following modes:

- *Interactive mode.* This allows you to use a single login for a session. When opened in the interactive mode, CLI allows you executing commands without dashes.
To open CLI in the interactive mode, enter `cli.bat --interactive --username [login] --password [password]` and press **Enter**. To exit the CLI interactive mode, enter **Ctrl-C**.
- *Non-interactive mode.* This requires entering your credentials for each command. You will have to enter dashes before commands. For example: `cli.bat --username [login] --password [password] --inventory-list`

Using Command Line Interface Locally

To use CLI on the machine where NAKIVO Backup & Replication Director is installed, follow the steps below:

1. Run the CLI executable:
 - If NAKIVO Backup & Replication is installed on a Windows OS, run the `cli.bat` file located in the `bin` folder inside the product installation folder ("C:\Program Files\NAKIVO Backup & Replication" by default).
 - If NAKIVO Backup & Replication is installed on a Linux OS, run the `cli.sh` file located in the `director/bin` folder inside the product installation folder (`/opt/nakivo/` by default).
2. Run available [commands](#).

Using Command Line Interface Remotely

To use CLI from a remote machine, follow the steps below:

1. Copy the CLI executable and `.jar` files to the machine from where you plan to use the CLI:
 - If NAKIVO Backup & Replication is installed on a Windows OS, copy the `cli.bat` and `cli.jar` files located in the `bin` folder inside the product installation folder ("C:\Program Files\NAKIVO Backup & Replication" by default).
 - If NAKIVO Backup & Replication is installed on a Linux OS, copy the `cli.sh` and `cli.jar` files located in the `director/bin` folder inside the product installation folder (`/opt/nakivo/` by default).
2. On the machine from where you plan to use the CLI, configure the `PATH` system variable as described at <http://java.com/en/download/help/path.xml>
3. Run commands using the following format: `<command> <host> <port> <username> <password>`

Example

To get a list of jobs of the product which is installed on the machine with the 192.168.10.10 IP address, uses the 4443 port number for the **Director Web HTTPS port**, and has "admin" as login and password for the product's web UI, run the following command: `--job-list --host 192.168.10.10 --port 4443 --username admin --password admin`

Using Command Line Interface in Multi-Tenant Mode

Triggering an action inside a tenant in the multi-tenant mode via command line interface requires providing a tenant ID as an argument:

```
cli.bat --repository-detach [repo_id] --username [login] --password [password] --tenant [tenant-id]
```

Available Commands

You can run CLI commands either in interactive or non-interactive mode. Refer to the *Operation Modes of Command Line Interface* subsection of the [“Using Command Line Interface” on page 1060](#) topic.

Use either long or short form of the commands*.

Command	Long form	Short form	Output
Help			
General help	cli.bat --help	cli.bat -h	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Command name • Description
Job Management			
List all jobs	cli.bat --job-list	cli.bat -jl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Job ID • Job name • Current job status • Job last run result
Start a job	cli.bat --job-start [job_id] Options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • --backup-type <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ full ◦ incremental • --full-backup-mode <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ active ◦ synthetic Example: --job-start 1 --backup-type full --full-backup-mode active	cli.bat -jr [job_id]	
Stop a job	cli.bat --job-stop [job_id]	cli.bat -js [job_id]	
Disable a job	cli.bat --job-disable [job_id]	cli.bat -jd [job_id]	

Command	Long form	Short form	Output
Disable multiple jobs	cli.bat --job-disable [job_id1] [job_id2] [job_id3] ... [job_idX]	cli.bat -jd [job_id1] [job_id2] [job_id3] ... [job_idX]	
Enable a job	cli.bat --job-enable [job_id]	cli.bat -je [job_id]	
Enable multiple jobs	cli.bat --job-enable [job_id1] [job_id2] [job_id3] ... [job_idX]	cli.bat -je [job_id1] [job_id2] [job_id3] ... [job_idX]	
Generate a report for a job in PDF format	<p>cli.bat --job-report [job_id]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The command with no arguments creates the job report and saves it to the current directory. To save the report to other directory: cli.bat --job-report [job_id] --save-to [dir_path] To send the report to default email(s): cli.bat --job-report [job_id] --send-by-email To send the report to other email: cli.bat --job-report [job_id] --send-by-email [email_address] 	<p>cli.bat -jp [job_id]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The command with no arguments creates the job report and saves it to the current directory. To save the report to other directory: cli.bat -jp [job_id] -f [dir_path] To send the report to default email(s): cli.bat -jp [job_id] -eml To send the report to other email: cli.bat -jp [job_id] -eml [email_address] 	

Command	Long form	Short form	Output
Generate a report for a job in CSV format	<p>cli.bat --job-report [job_id] --csv</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The command with no arguments creates the job report and saves it to the current directory. • To save the report to other directory: cli.bat --job-report [job_id] --save-to [dir_path] --csv • To send the report to default email(s): cli.bat --job-report [job_id] --send-by-email --csv • To send the report to other email: cli.bat --job-report [job_id] --send-by-email [email_address] --csv 	<p>cli.bat -jp [job_id] --csv</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The command with no arguments creates the job report and saves it to the current directory. • To save the report to other directory: cli.bat -jp [job_id] -f [dir_path] --csv • To send the report to default email(s): cli.bat -jp [job_id] -eml --csv • To send the report to other email: cli.bat -jp [job_id] -eml [email_address] --csv 	
Return information about a job	cli.bat --job-info [job_id]	cli.bat -ji [job_id]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Job ID • Job name • Current job status • Job last run result
Inventory			

Command	Long form	Short form	Output
List all inventory items	cli.bat --inventory-list	cli.bat -il	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Item ID • Item IP/host name • Item type (host/vCenter) • Item children count (X hosts, E VMs) • Item current state • Item current status
Update all inventory items	cli.bat --inventory-update	cli.bat -iu	
Update an inventory item	cli.bat --inventory-update [item_id]	cli.bat -iu [item_id]	
Return information about an inventory item	cli.bat --inventory-info [item_id]	cli.bat -ii [item_id]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Item ID • Item IP/host name • Item type (host/vCenter) • Item children count (X hosts, E VMs) • Item current state • Item current status
Transporters			

Command	Long form	Short form	Output
List all transporters	cli.bat --transporter-list	cli.bat -trl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transporter ID • Transporter IP/host name • Transporter current load • Transporter maximum load • Transporter current state • Transporter current status
Update all transporters	cli.bat --transporter-update	cli.bat -tru	
Update a transporter	cli.bat --transporter-update [transporter_id]	cli.bat -tru [transporter_id]	
Return information about a transporter	cli.bat --transporter-info [transporter_id]	cli.bat -tri [transporter_id]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transporter ID • Transporter IP/host name • Transporter current load • Transporter maximum load • Transporter current state • Transporter current status
Repositories			

Command	Long form	Short form	Output
List all repositories	cli.bat --repository-list	cli.bat -rl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repository ID • Repository name • Assigned transporter • Backup count • Free space • Attached or detached • Consistent or inconsistent • Repository current state • Repository current status
Update all repositories	cli.bat --repository-update	cli.bat -ru	
Update a repository	cli.bat --repository-update [repo_id]	cli.bat -ru [repo_id]	
Detach a repository	cli.bat --repository-detach [repo_id]	cli.bat -rd [repo_id]	
Attach a repository	cli.bat --repository-attach [repo_id]	cli.bat -ra [repo_id]	
Start repository maintenance	cli.bat --repository-maintenance [repo_id] [parameter] Parameters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • --selfheal • --verify • --spacereclaim 	cli.bat -rm [repo_id] [parameter] Parameters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • --selfheal • --verify • --spacereclaim 	
Stop repository maintenance	cli.bat --repository-maintenance-stop [repo_id]	cli.bat -rms [repo_id]	

Command	Long form	Short form	Output
Return information about a repository	cli.bat --repository-info [repo_id]	cli.bat -ri [repo_id]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repository ID • Repository name • Assigned transporter • Backup count and free space • Attached or detached • Consistent or inconsistent • Repository current state • Repository current status
Support			

Command	Long form	Short form	Output
Generate a support bundle	<p>cli.bat --bundle-create</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The command with no parameters will create a support bundle and save it in the current directory. To save the bundle to other directory: cli.bat --bundle-create --save-to [dir_path] To send the bundle to support over email: cli.bat --bundle-create --send-to-support To send the bundle to other email: cli.bat --bundle-create --send-by-email [email_address] 	<p>cli.bat -bc</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The command with no parameters will create a support bundle and save it in the current directory. To save the bundle to other directory: cli.bat -bc -f [dir_path] To send the bundle to support over email: cli.bat -bc -sup To send the bundle to other email: cli.bat -bc -eml [email_address] 	
Licensing			
Get the current license information	cli.bat --license-info	cli.bat -li	
Replace the current license with a new license file	cli.bat --license-replace [file_path]	cli.bat -lin [file_path]	
Multi-Tenancy			

Command	Long form	Short form	Output
List all tenants	cli.bat --tenant-list	cli.bat -tl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tenant ID • Tenant name • Allocated items type and count • Tenant status • Enabled or disabled
Disable a tenant	cli.bat --tenant-disable [tenant_id]	cli.bat -td [tenant_id]	
Enable a tenant	cli.bat --tenant-enable [tenant_id]	cli.bat -te [tenant_id]	
Return information about a tenant	cli.bat --tenant-info [tenant_id]	cli.bat -ti [tenant_id]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tenant ID • Tenant Account ID • Tenant name • Allocated items type and count • Tenant status • Enabled or disabled
Create a support bundle for master admin level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Generate the support bundle for master level only: cli.bat --bundle-create • Generate the support bundle with all tenants logs: cli.bat --bundle-create --include-tenants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Generate the support bundle for master level only: cli.bat -bc • Generate the support bundle with all tenants logs: cli.bat -bc -ite 	
Miscellaneous			

Command	Long form	Short form	Output
Get the CLI version	<p>cli.bat --version</p> <p>The command returns the CLI version which is equal to the full version of NAKIVO Backup & Replication.</p>	-	
Run a command in the debug mode	<p>cli.bat --repository-info [repo_id] --debug</p> <p>This is an option that can be added to any other CLI command.</p> <p>With the debug mode turned on, the commands will return the full error text.</p>	cli.bat -ri [repo_id] --debug	

*Examples are given for Windows OS.

Exit Codes

NAKIVO Backup & Replication CLI provides the following exit codes:

- **0:** Normal
- **1:** Unknown command
- **2:** Cannot login
- **3:** Command failed
- **4:** Local failure
- **5:** No arguments

Automation with HTTP API

HTTP API allows you to run common NAKIVO Backup & Replication commands outside of the product web interface.

The API is JSON-RPC based. For detailed request and response syntax, refer to [API Reference](#).

Aptare IT Analytics Integration

APTARE IT Analytics is a storage resource management platform for integrating storage and backup solutions. The integration with NAKIVO Backup & Replication is based on an APTARE data collector that sends storage component information to the system's platform. The steps for integrating NAKIVO Backup & Replication with APTARE IT Analytics are as follows:

1. On the machine where NAKIVO Backup & Replication is deployed, do the following:
 - a. **Install** APTARE StorageConsole Data Collector with NAKIVO connector.
 - b. When the installation has been successfully completed, make sure that the APTARE Agent service is running.
2. Open your NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance and run your backup jobs.
3. Log in to the APTARE portal.
4. Go to the **ADMIN** tab and take the following steps:

Name	Domain	Enabled	Policy State	Collector State	Status	Last Modified	Collector Version	Upgrade Manager	Auto Upgrade	Host	Notes
Hient_Nakivo	Nakivo	Yes	Offline	Offline	○	06:40:31 09-01-2020	10.2.30.01 (0622018-1511)	10.2.30.01	Full auto	WSN-KHACKG34U25	
Hoap	Nakivo	Yes	Offline	Offline	○	11:58:10 17-09-2019	10.3.2.01 (09032019-2031)	10.3.2.01	Full auto	WSN-GSHWAPKPLUQ	
Itakivo	Nakivo	Yes	Offline	Offline	○	06:25:08 26-02-2020	10.3.9.01 (02242020-0534)	10.3.9.01	Full auto	DESKTOP-IPHUGLR	
NAKIVO_TW	Nakivo	Yes	Offline	Offline	○	11:31:15 03-03-2020	10.3.9.01 (02242020-0534)	10.3.9.01	Full auto		
ND	Nakivo	Yes	Online	Online	●	11:21:45 03-03-2020	10.3.9.01 (02242020-0534)	10.3.9.01	Full auto	WSN-610LLUHQJ3	
NgenT	Nakivo	Yes	Offline	Offline	○	04:56:23 26-02-2020	10.3.9.01 (02242020-0534)	10.3.9.01	Full auto	WSN-88U7H5SLJ28	
Trangti	Nakivo	Yes	Online	Online	●	03:43:22 26-02-2020	10.3.9.01 (02242020-0534)	10.3.9.01	Full auto	WSN-RR6CNRJCT	

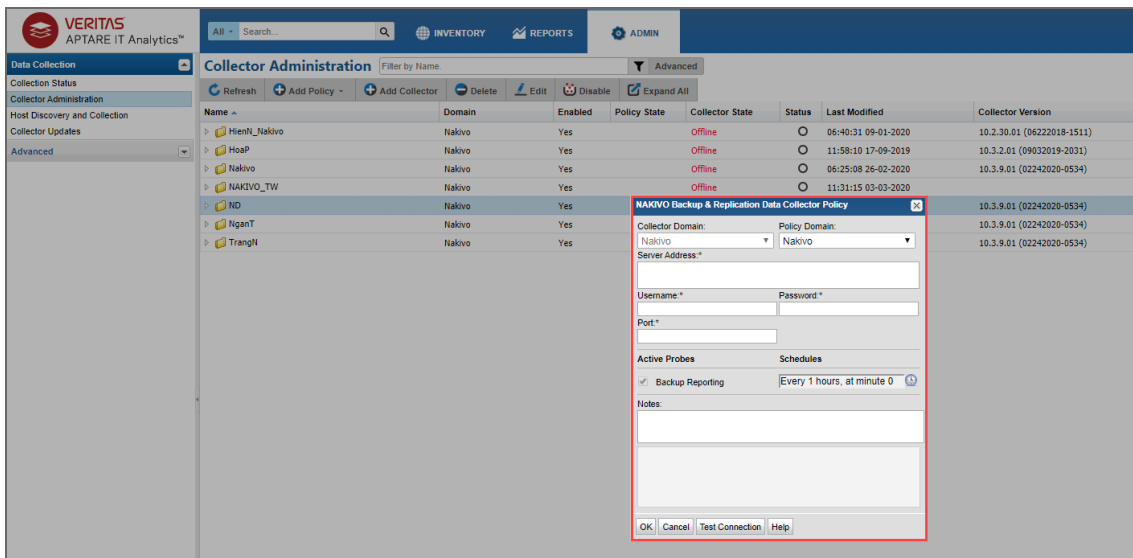
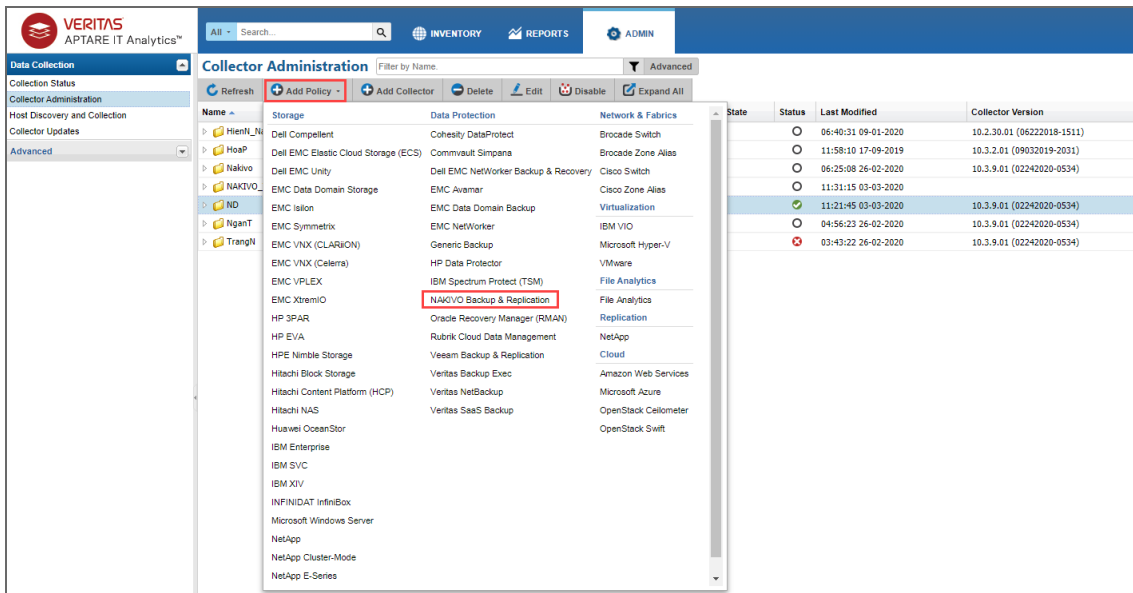
- a. Add a Collector. For details, refer to the [Managing and Monitoring Data Collection](#) subsection of the APTARE IT Analytics User Guide.

The screenshot shows the 'Add Collector' dialog box with the following fields and options:

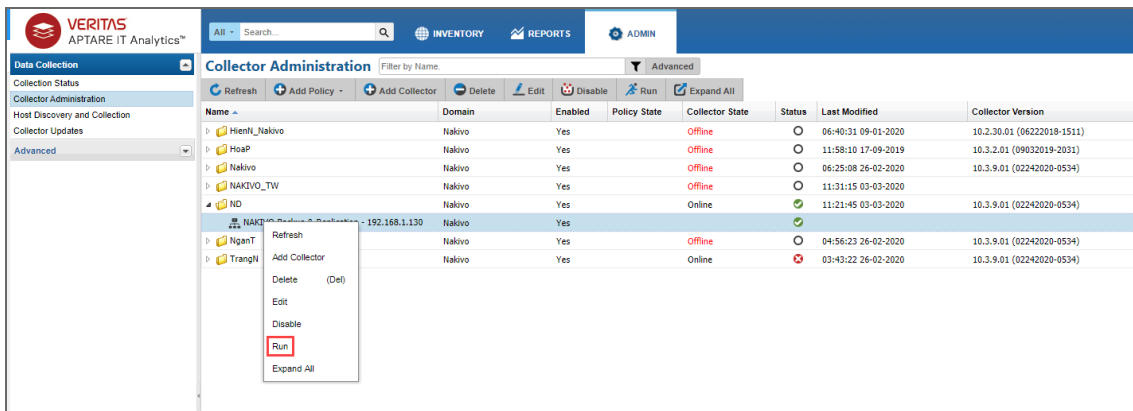
- Collector Name: *
- Passcode: *
- Domain: Nakivo
- Auto-upgrade aptare.jar: Yes
- Auto-upgrade Upgrade Manager: Yes
- Enable SSL:
- Short Notes:

Buttons: OK, Cancel, Help

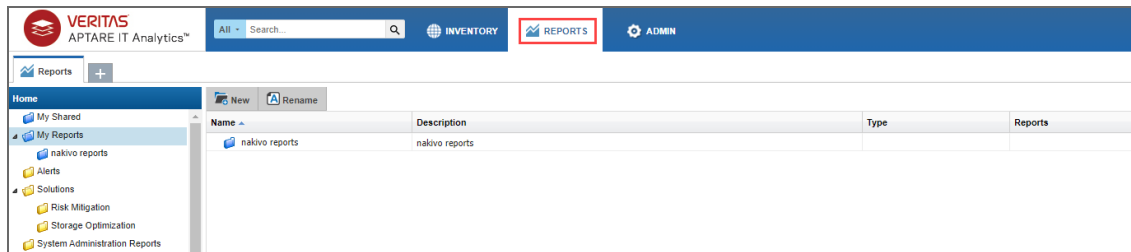
- b. Add a NAKIVO Backup & Replication data protection policy with a connection to your NAKIVO Backup & Replication instance. For details, refer to the [Pre-Installation Setup for Generic Backup](#) subsection of the APTARE IT Analytics User Guide.



c. Run your policy.

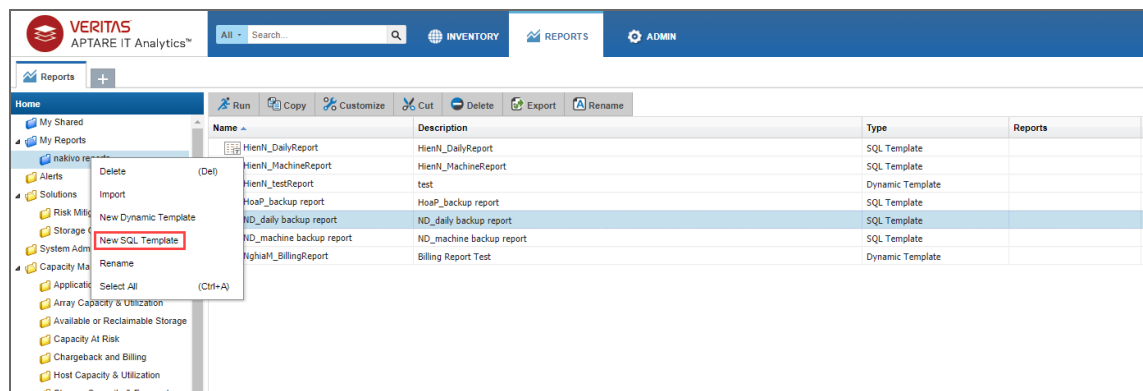


5. Go to the **REPORTS** tab in the APTARE portal and take the following actions:

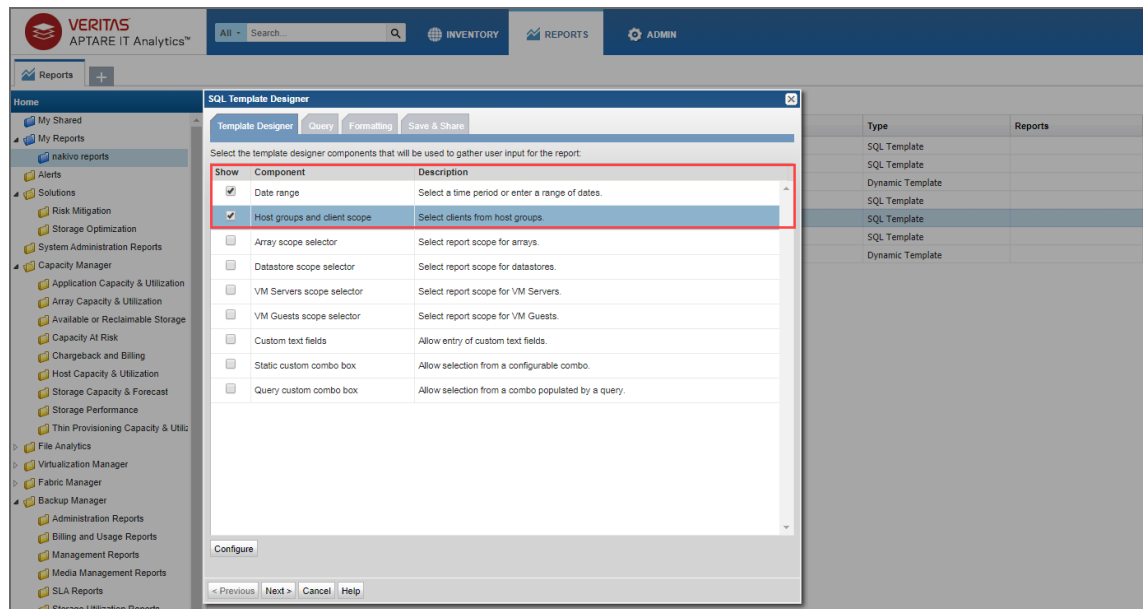


a. Create and configure the report for your backup job the following way:

i. Right-click on your report folder and select **New SQL Template**.



- ii. Select the template designer that will be used to gather user input for the report.



- iii. Build an SQL query for your machine backup report or daily backup report, use either:

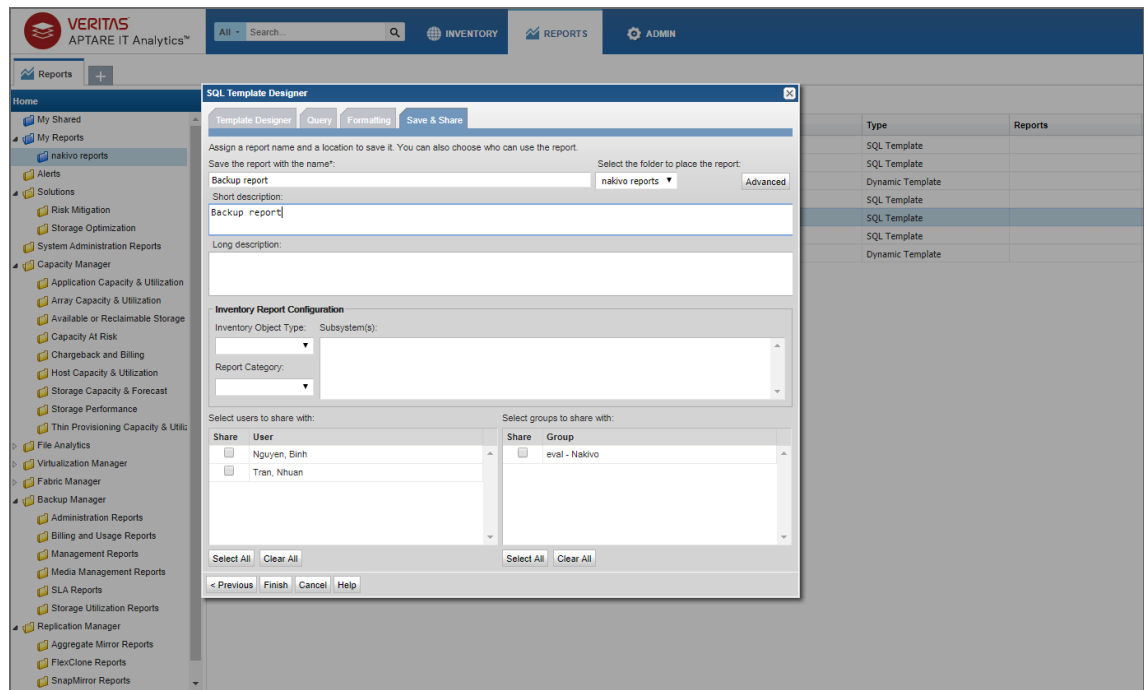
Daily Backup Report

```
select * from SDK_V_NKVO_NBR_DAILYBACKUP where (creation_date
between ${startDate} and ${endDate}) and (server_instance_id
in (select server_instance_id from apt_v_server_instance
where server_id in (${hosts}))) order by report_id desc
```

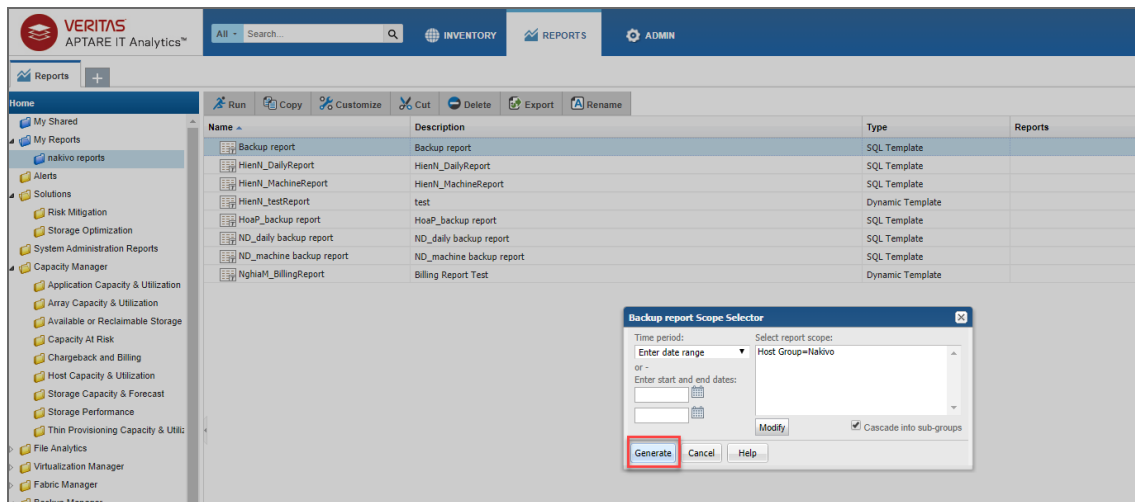
Machine Backup Report

```
select * from SDK_V_NKVO_NBR_MACHINEBACKUP where (creation_
date between ${startDate} and ${endDate}) and (server_
instance_id in (select server_instance_id from apt_v_server_
instance where server_id in (${hosts}))) order by report_id
desc
```


- v. Provide a name and description of the report and select users to share it with. Click **Finish**.



- b. Double-click on the report. In the dialog box that opens, enter the necessary time and report scope. Click **Generate** to generate your report. For details, refer to the [Generating and Maintaining Reports](#) subsection of the APTARE IT Analytics User Guide.



To know more about APTARE IT Analytics, refer to the [APTARE IT Analytics User Guide](#).

Multi-Tenant Mode

This section covers the following topics:

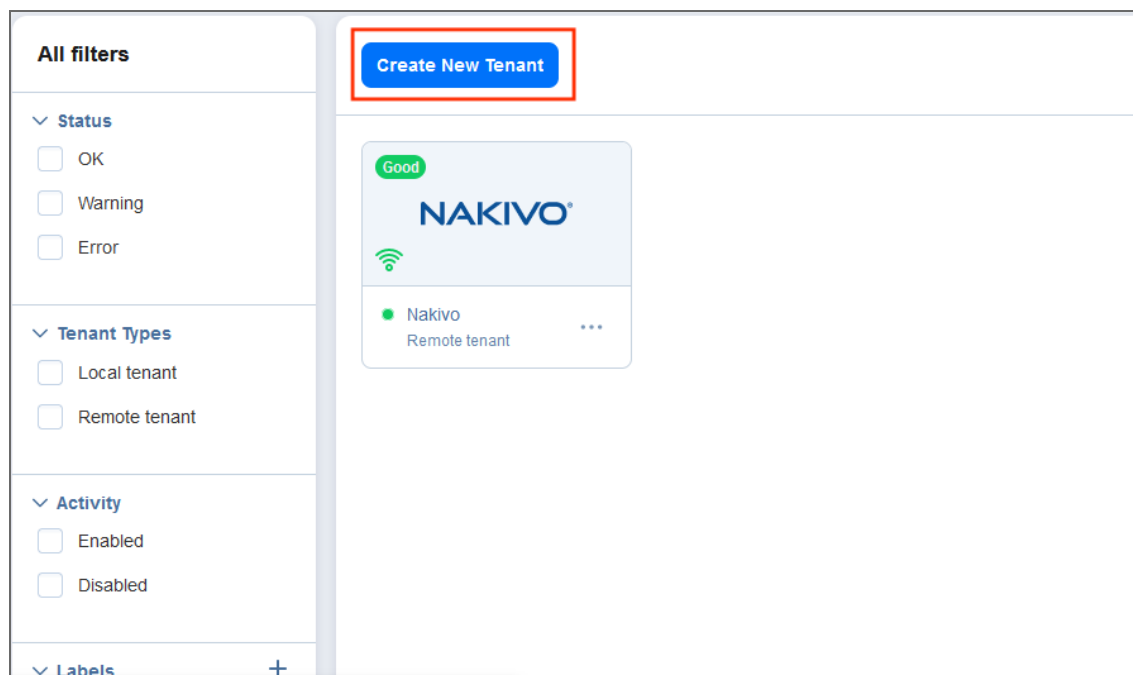
- [“Creating a Local Tenant” below](#)
- [“Creating a Remote Tenant” on page 1087](#)
- [“Tenant Management” on page 1091](#)
- [“Granting Self-Service Access” on page 1104](#)

Creating a Local Tenant

This section covers the topics describing the local tenant creation process in NAKIVO Backup & Replication. The data protection resources (Inventory items, Backup Repositories, and Nodes) of a local tenant account can only be added and edited by the master tenant.

To create a new local tenant, follow the steps below:

1. Log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication as a Master Admin.
2. Click **Create New Tenant**.



3. In the popup, select **New local tenant**.
4. Complete the wizard as described in the topics below to finish the tenant creation process.
 - [“Local Tenant Creation Wizard: Tenant” on the next page](#)
 - [“Local Tenant Creation Wizard: Inventory” on page 1082](#)
 - [“Local Tenant Creation Wizard: Transporters” on page 1083](#)

- [“Local Tenant Creation Wizard: Repositories” on page 1084](#)
- [“Local Tenant Creation Wizard: Users” on page 1085](#)
- [“Local Tenant Configuration” on page 1086](#)

Local Tenant Creation Wizard: Tenant

On this page of the wizard, you can provide a name for the local tenant, assign licenses to the local tenant, and enter contact information for the local tenant. Additionally, the master tenant can enable VM Limitation for the new local tenant. When this option is enabled, the tenant cannot exceed the number of allocated VMs for the purpose of backup and replication. Tenants can see the number of allocated and used VMs in the licensing tab and in the job creation wizard.

Proceed as follows:

1. To add a tenant logo, click **Change tenant logo**, navigate to a new image, select it, and click **Open**. The uploaded image is resized and displayed on the right side of the page.
2. In the **Tenant name** field, enter a name for the local tenant. By default, the tenant name is displayed under the tenant logo. If you do not want the tenant name to be displayed, deselect the **Display tenant name** checkbox.
3. Optionally, in the **Labels** field, select the tags you want to assign to the tenant. Additionally, you can enter the name of the new label in the field and click **Create new label** to create and add it to the **Labels** field automatically.
4. In case the Trial or Subscription license is installed, do the following:
 - a. In the **Workloads allocated** field, enter the number of workloads you want to assign to the local tenant.
 - b. In the **Microsoft 365 users allocated** field, enter the number of Microsoft 365 users you want to assign to the local tenant.
5. In case a Perpetual license is installed, do the following:
 - a. In the **Sockets allocated** field, enter the number of sockets you want to assign to the local tenant.
 - i. Optionally, enable the **Limit number of protected VMs** option.

Note

In case the option is not available, make sure that the [feature requirements](#) are met.

- ii. Enter the number of protected VMs for the tenant.

Note

Even with VM limitation enabled, licenses are counted on a per-socket basis.

- b. In the **Physical servers allocated** field, enter the number of physical server licenses you want to assign to the local tenant.
 - c. In the **Physical workstations allocated** field, enter the number of physical workstation licenses you want to assign to the local tenant.
 - d. In the **Microsoft 365 users** allocated field, enter the number of Microsoft 365 users you want to assign to the local tenant.
 - e. In the **Oracle databases** allocated field, enter the number of Oracle Database licenses you want to assign to the local tenant.
6. Optionally, in the **Contact email** field, enter the email address of the local tenant.
 7. Optionally, in the **Contact phone** field, enter the phone number of the local tenant.
 8. Optionally, in the **Website field**, enter the website URL of the local tenant.
 9. Optionally, in the **Address** field, enter the address of the local tenant.
 10. Click **Next** to proceed to the **Inventory** page.

Local Tenant Creation Wizard: Inventory

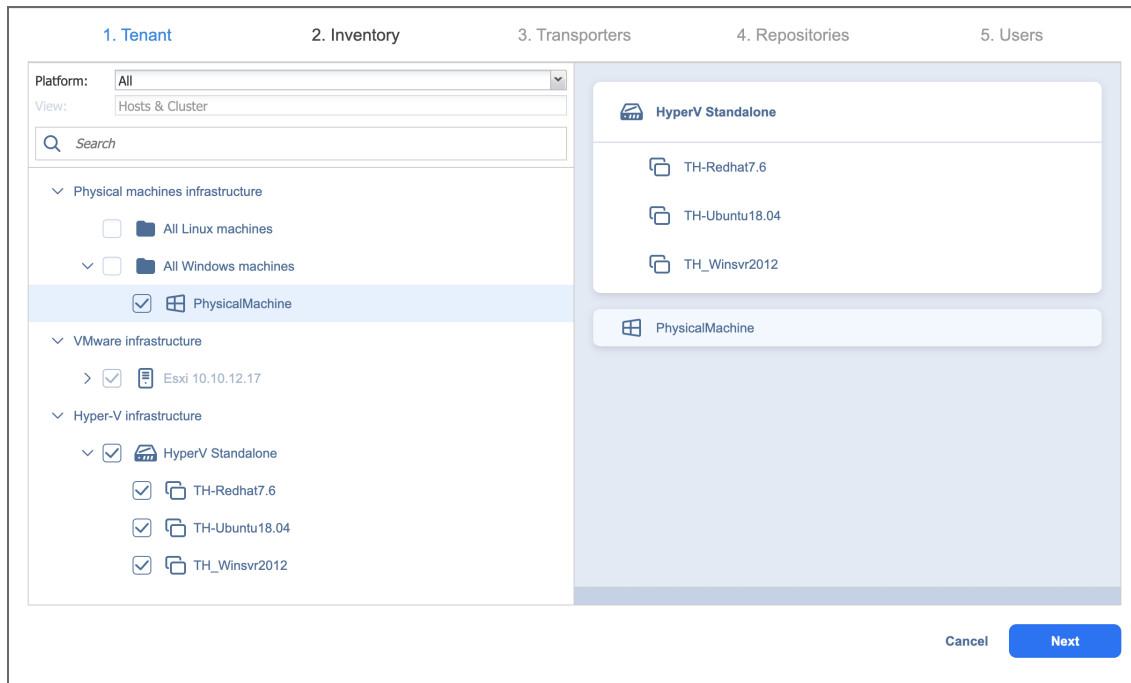
On this page, you can assign inventory items to the local tenant. Proceed as follows:

1. Choose the platform to display the items added to the inventory. **All** is selected by default.

Note

Items that are assigned to other tenants are visible, but cannot be selected.

2. Optionally, you can filter the Inventory tree by entering a string into the **Search** box. You can enter either a part or the entire name of the item.
3. Select the items you want to assign to the local tenant. The selected items appear in the right pane.



4. Click **Next** to proceed to the **Transporters** page.

Local Tenant Creation Wizard: Transporters

On this page of the wizard, you can assign the Transporters that the local tenant will be able to use for backup, recovery, and replication jobs. Proceed as follows:

1. In the **Search** field, you can enter the name or part of the name of the Transporter to find the specific ones you need.

Notes

- When you assign an Inventory item with a dependent Transporter to the local tenant on the Inventory page of the wizard, that Transporter is selected automatically and cannot be deselected. If an Inventory item with a dependent Transporter was not assigned to the local tenant, that Transporter cannot be selected on this page.
- The transporter deployed in the virtual appliance cannot be assigned to multiple tenants.

2. On the left pane of the screen, you can select the Transporters to be assigned to the tenant. The following information is available:
 - **Name:** Name of the Transporter.
 - **Assigned tenants:** The number of tenants assigned to the Transporter. Multiple tenants can use the same Transporter without accessing each other's data.

- **Maximum load per tenant:** The maximum number of tasks that the Transporter is able to perform at the same time per each assigned tenant.

3. The selected Transporters appear in the right pane. Click **Next** to proceed.

Name	Assigned tenants	Maximum load per tenant
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HyperV Standalone	0	6
<input type="checkbox"/> Onboard transporter	1	6
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PhysicalMachine	0	6

Right-hand pane content: HyperV Standalone, PhysicalMachine

Buttons: Cancel, Next

Local Tenant Creation Wizard: Repositories

On this page of the wizard, you can assign Backup Repositories that the local tenant will be able to use for backup, recovery, and replication jobs. Note that a single repository cannot be used by multiple tenants.

Proceed as follows:

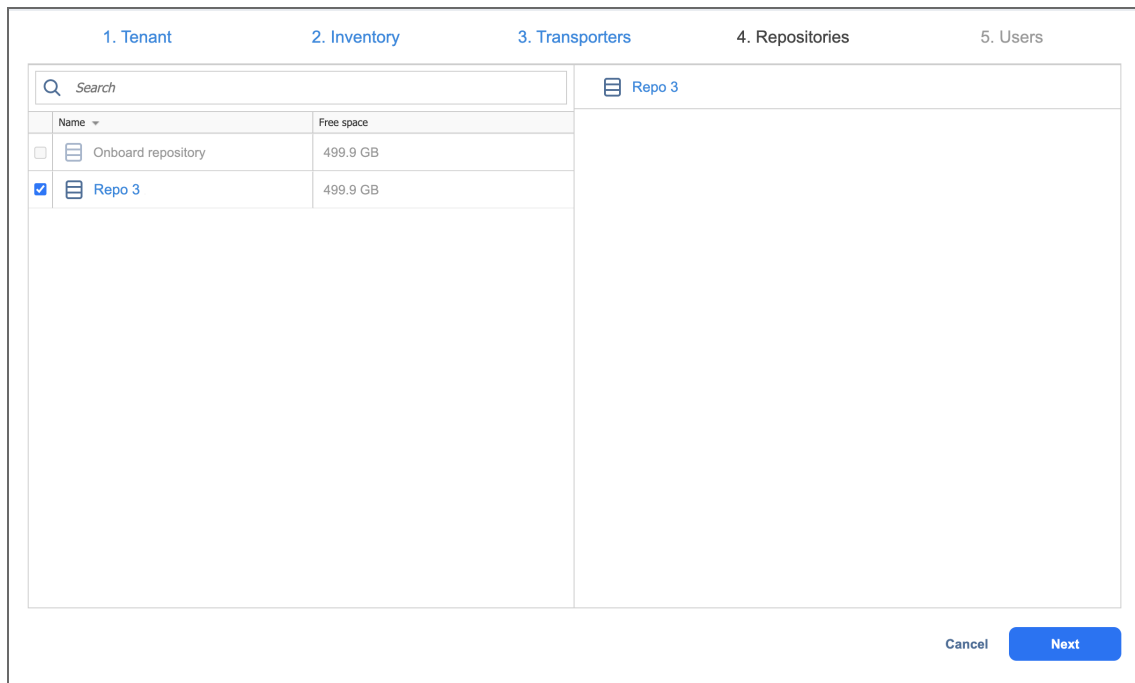
1. In the **Search** field, you can enter either a part or the entire name of the Backup Repository to find the specific ones you need.

Note

If the dependent Transporter was not chosen on the Transporters page of the wizard, the Backup Repositories assigned to this Transporter would not be available for selection.

2. On the left pane of the screen, you can select the Backup Repositories to be assigned to the local tenant. The following information is available
 - **Name:** Name of the Backup Repository.
 - **Free Space:** The amount of free space available on the Backup Repository.

The selected Backup Repositories appear in the right pane.



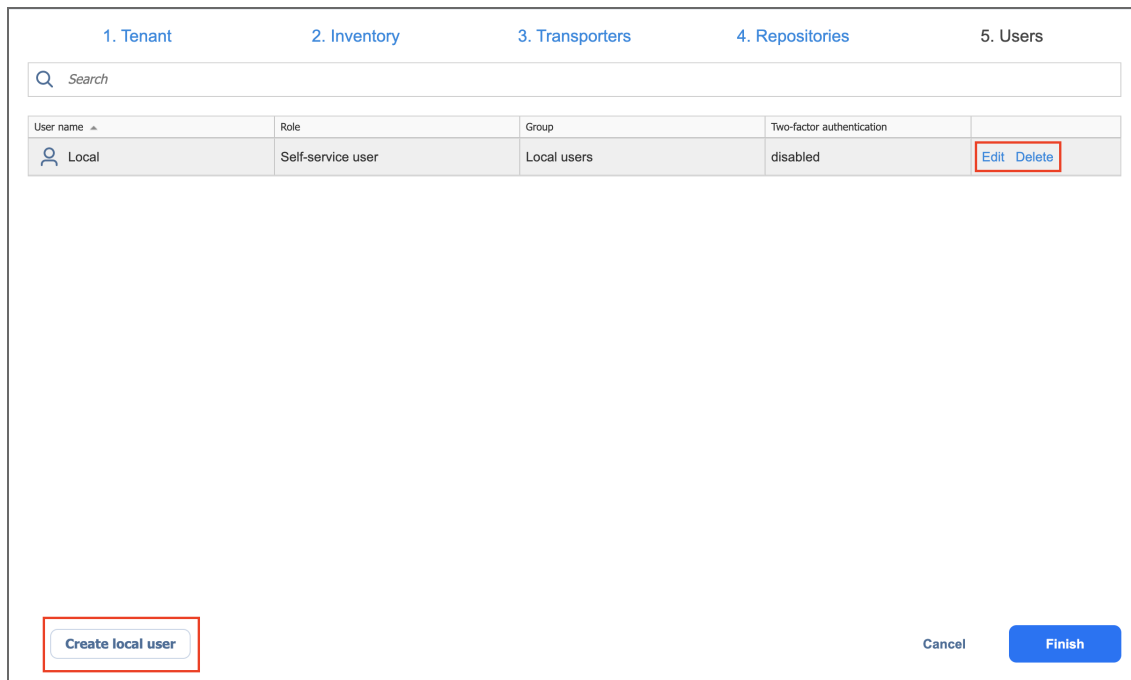
3. Click **Next** to proceed to the next page of the wizard.

Local Tenant Creation Wizard: Users

On this page of the wizard, you can create local users or import Active Directory users for the tenant. The added users can use the product and have access to the allocated resources. Do the following:

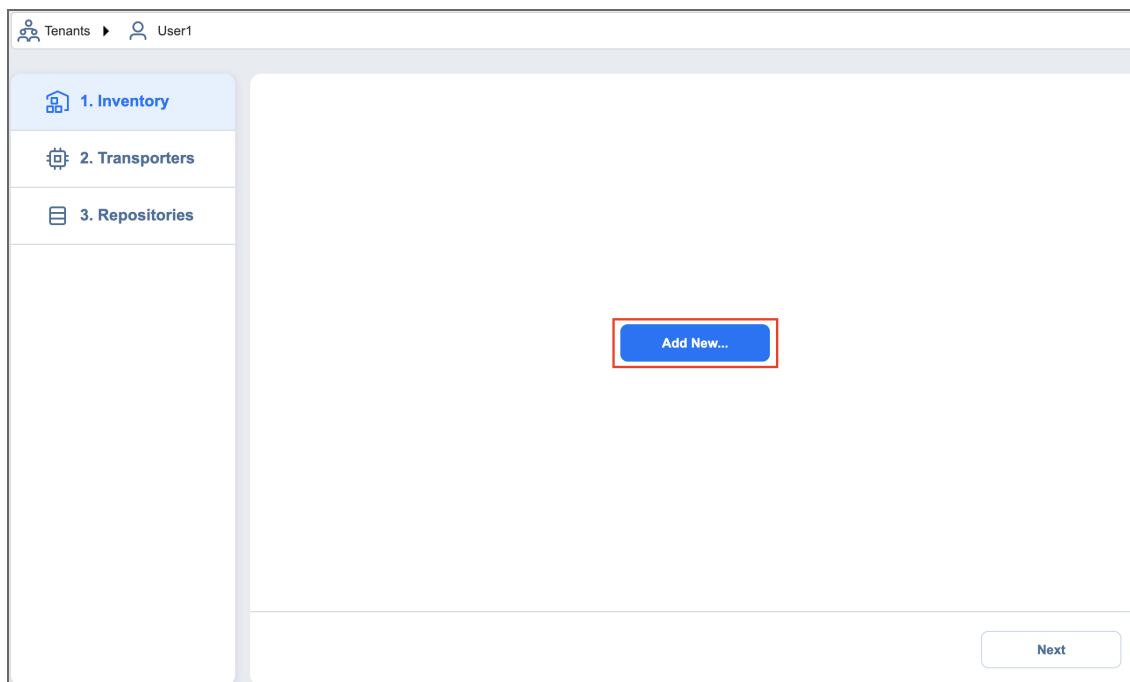
1. In the lower-left pane of the screen, click **Create local user** to create a [new local user for the tenant](#).
2. If you have successfully [configured AD integration](#), you can click **Add AD user** to import [AD user for the tenant](#).

3. Once you're done, click **Finish** to complete the Local Tenant Creation Wizard.



Local Tenant Configuration

After creating a new tenant, click the tenant to open the initial Tenant Configuration Wizard which will guide you through the tenant setup process. Refer to [“First Steps with NAKIVO Backup & Replication”](#) on page 296 for a description of the initial configuration wizard.

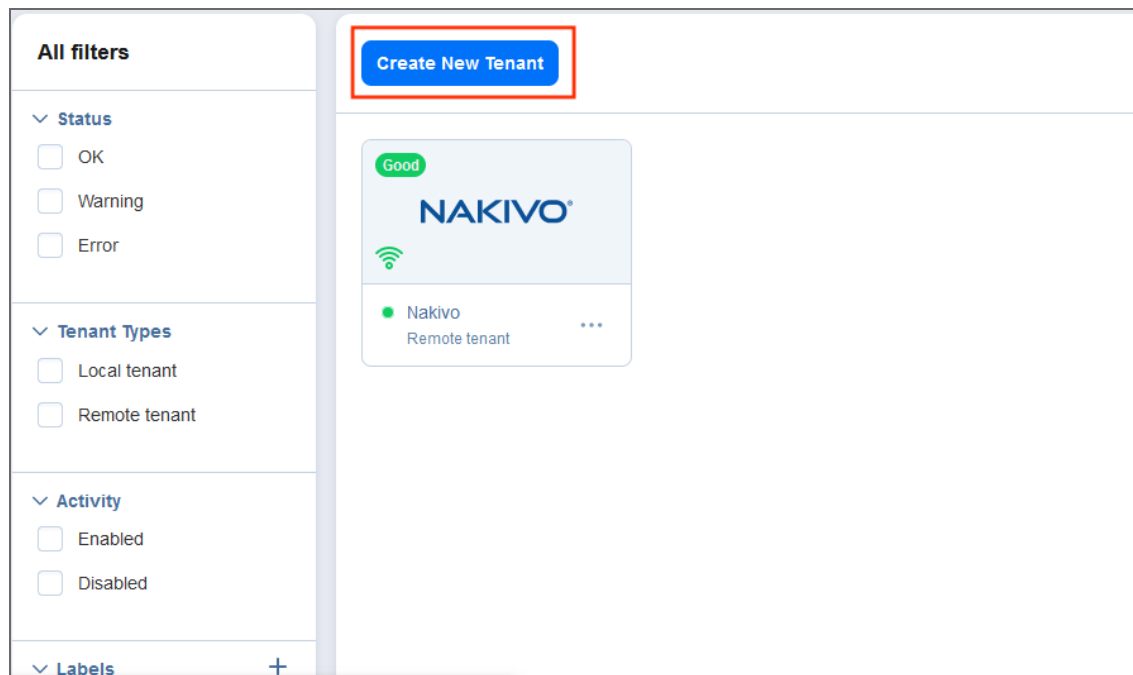


Creating a Remote Tenant

This section covers the topics describing the remote tenant creation process. Creating and configuring a remote tenant allows a master tenant to monitor a standalone instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication via the **MSP Console**. The remote tenant account retains the ability to manage the resources in their data protection infrastructure.

To create a new remote tenant, follow the steps below:

1. Log in to NAKIVO Backup & Replication as a Master Admin.
2. Click **Create New Tenant**.



3. In the popup, select **New remote tenant**.
4. Complete the remote tenant creation process as described in the topics below:
 - [“Remote Tenant Creation Wizard: Tenant”](#) below
 - [“Remote Tenant Creation Wizard: User”](#) on the next page
 - [“Remote Tenant Configuration”](#) on page 1089

Remote Tenant Creation Wizard: Tenant

Complete the **Tenant** section of the **Remote Tenant Creation** wizard by configuring the following fields:

1. **Tenant name:** Specify the name of the remote tenant.
2. **Labels:** Optionally, you can create a new tag or assign existing tags to the remote tenant using the drop-down menu.
3. **Tenant logo:** Upload a logo to be displayed for the remote tenant in the Multi-tenancy Dashboard. The photo is automatically resized and a preview is generated.

4. **Display tenant name:** Enable this option if you want the tenant name to be displayed in the **Master Tenant Dashboard**.

Optionally, add contact information for the remote tenant by filling in the following fields:

- **Contact email**
- **Contact phone**
- **Website**
- **Address**

Create remote tenant

1 Tenant

2 Users

General

Tenant name: Alex

Labels: AAA

Tenant logo: Tenant-logo.png
12Mb | 128 x 128px

Display tenant name

Contact information

Contact email: admin@admin.com

Contact phone: 55555555

Website: www.test.com

Address:

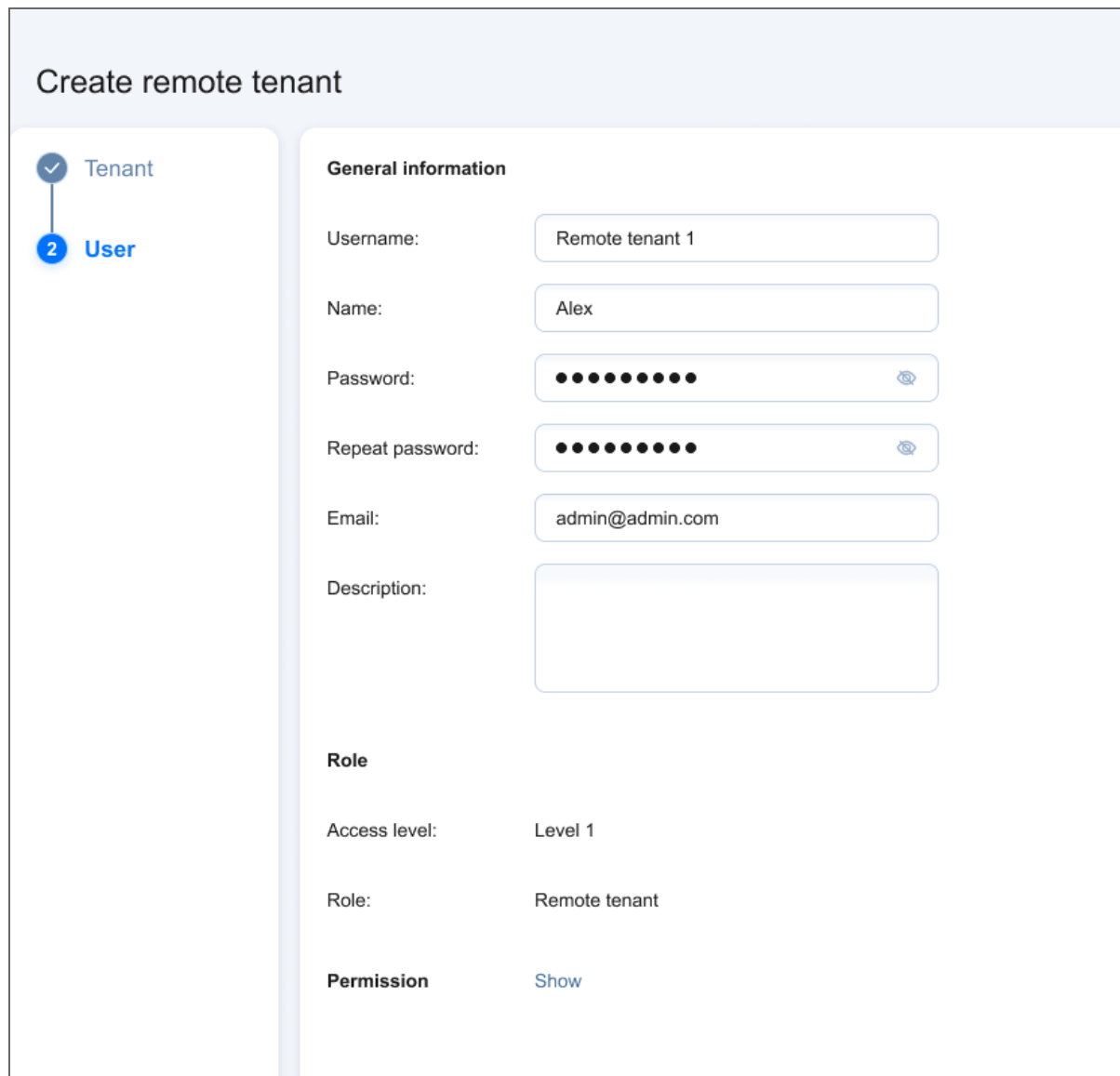
When you're done, click **Next** to move to the next page of the wizard.

Remote Tenant Creation Wizard: User

Complete the **User** section of the **Remote Tenant Creation** wizard by configuring the following fields:

1. **Username:** Specify a username for the remote tenant **User**.
2. **Name:** Specify the remote tenant display name.

3. **Password:** Create a password for this user and repeat it in the **Repeat Password** field below.
4. **Email:** Enter the user's email address.
5. **Description:** Optionally, you can add a description for this **User**.



Create remote tenant

Tenant

2 User

General information

Username: Remote tenant 1

Name: Alex

Password: ●●●●●●●●

Repeat password: ●●●●●●●●

Email: admin@admin.com

Description:

Role

Access level: Level 1

Role: Remote tenant

Permission Show

The **Remote tenant** role and its permissions are added to the **User** automatically. Click **Finish** to confirm the creation of the remote tenant.

Remote Tenant Configuration

When a remote tenant is created, it is automatically added to the list of tenants in the **Master Tenant Dashboard**. To connect a remote tenant to your multi-tenant installation of NAKIVO Backup & Replication, follow the steps below:

1. Provide the remote tenant with the credentials created for the remote tenant user, as well as your hostname/IP address and **Director** port number (4443 by default). In addition, you will need to open a separate listening port for communication with the remote tenant's instance (port 6702 is used by default). For more information on the required TCP ports, see the **MSP Console** section in [“Feature Requirements” on page 167](#).
 2. The remote tenant must go to **Settings > MSP** in their own instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication and add the MSP using the above information, and then click **Add**.
 3. A popup with certificate details appears. The remote tenant should click **Apply** to add the MSP to the **MSP** tab.
 4. In your **Master Tenant Dashboard**, the remote tenant should now have a green **Connected** icon on the tenant card. Clicking on the remote tenant’s name allows you to drill down and monitor their instance.
- For more information on tenant-side **MSP Console** configuration, refer to [“Adding an MSP” on page 372](#).

Tenant Management

This section covers the following topics:

- [“Using Filters” on page 1092](#)
- [“Using Labels” on page 1094](#)
- [“Viewing Tenant Information” on page 1097](#)
- [“Opening Tenant Dashboard” on page 1099](#)
- [“Disabling Tenants” on page 1101](#)
- [“Editing Tenants” on page 1102](#)
- [“Deleting Tenants” on page 1103](#)

Using Filters

- [About Filters](#)
- [Applying Filters](#)

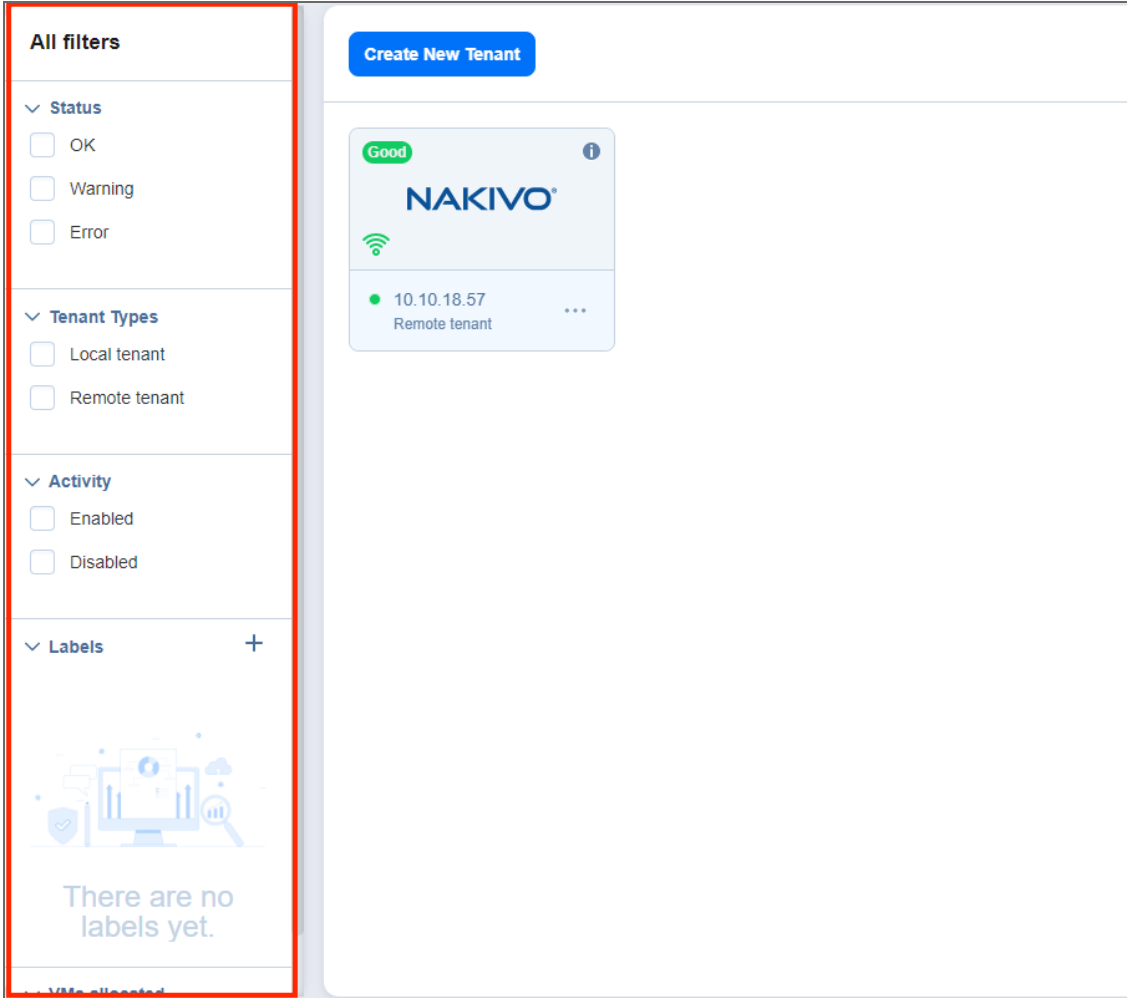
About Filters

The **Master Tenant Dashboard** has 5 filter categories, which allow you to quickly display tenants based on their characteristics. The following filters are available:

- **Status:**
 - **OK:** Displays tenants that have no errors and notifications
 - **Warning:** Displays only tenants that have notifications
 - **Error:** Displays only tenants that have errors
- **Type:**
 - **Local:** Displays only local tenants
 - **Remote:** Displays only remote tenants
- **Activity:**
 - **Enabled:** Displays only enabled tenants
 - **Disabled:** Displays only disabled tenants
- **Labels:** Filters tenants by labels assigned to them
- **VMs Allocated:** Filters tenants by the number of VMs allocated to them

Applying Filters

To apply a filter, check the box to the left of a filter name.



To dismiss a filter, simply uncheck the box to the left of the name of an active filter.

Using Labels

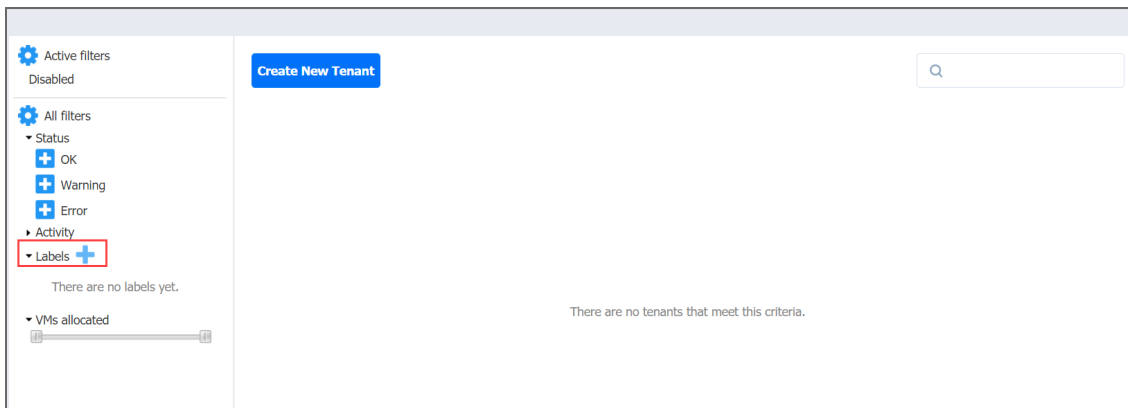
- [About Labels](#)
- [Creating Labels](#)
- [Assigning Labels to Tenants](#)
- [Editing Label Names](#)
- [Deleting Label](#)

About Labels

With NAKIVO Backup & Replication, you can create custom labels and assign them to tenants. Assigning a label to a tenant allows you to quickly sort existing tenants into different categories, such as location, SLA level, etc.

Creating Labels

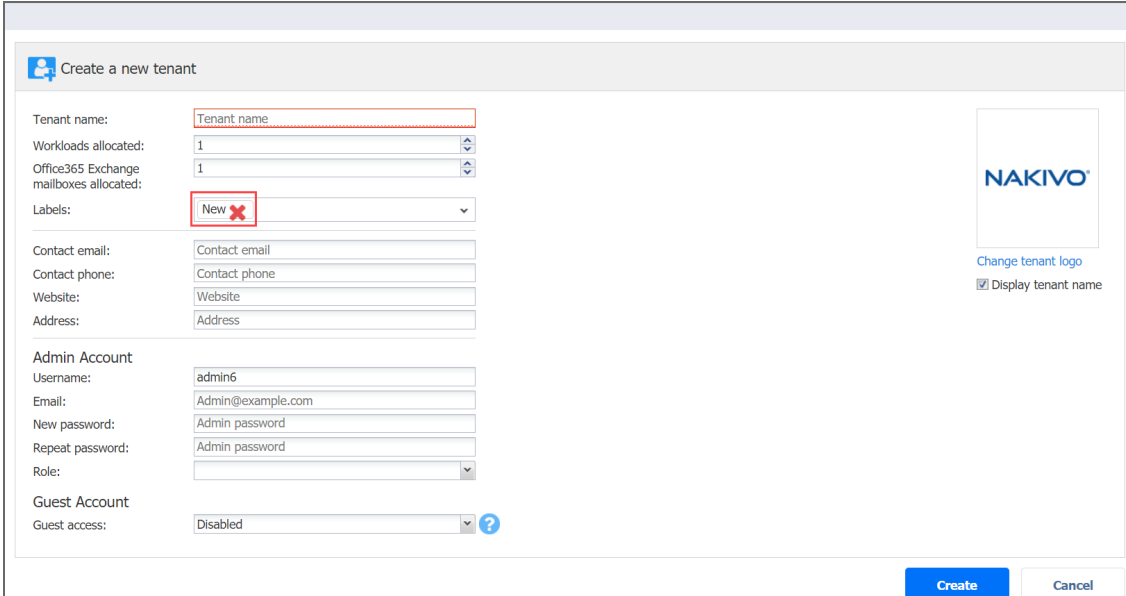
To create a new label, click the **Plus** icon next to **Labels** and enter a name for the new label, and press the **Enter** key.



You can also create a new label when creating a new tenant.

Assigning Labels to Tenants

You can assign a label to a tenant either during the tenant creation or by [editing the tenant](#).

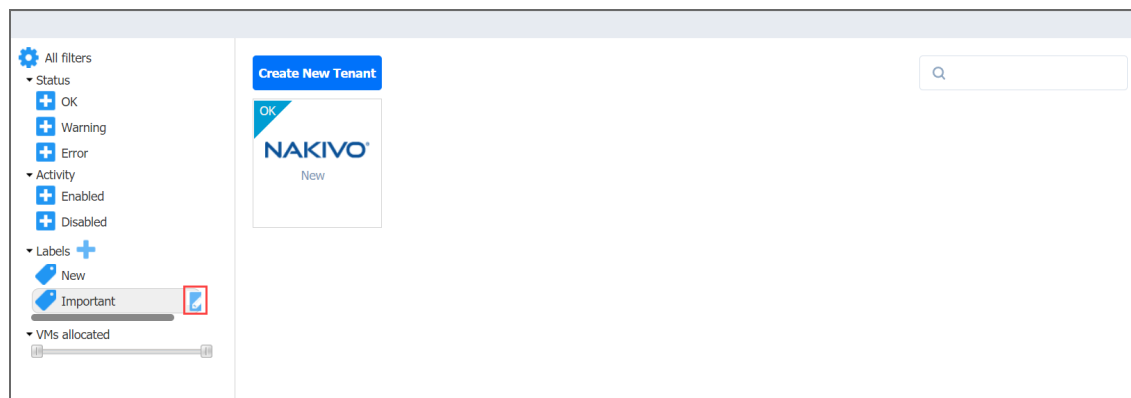


The screenshot shows the 'Create a new tenant' form. The 'Labels' dropdown menu is highlighted with a red box, showing 'New' with a red 'X' icon. The 'Create' button is located at the bottom right of the form.

Editing Label Names

To change a label name, do the following:

1. Hover over the label.
2. Click the **Edit** icon.



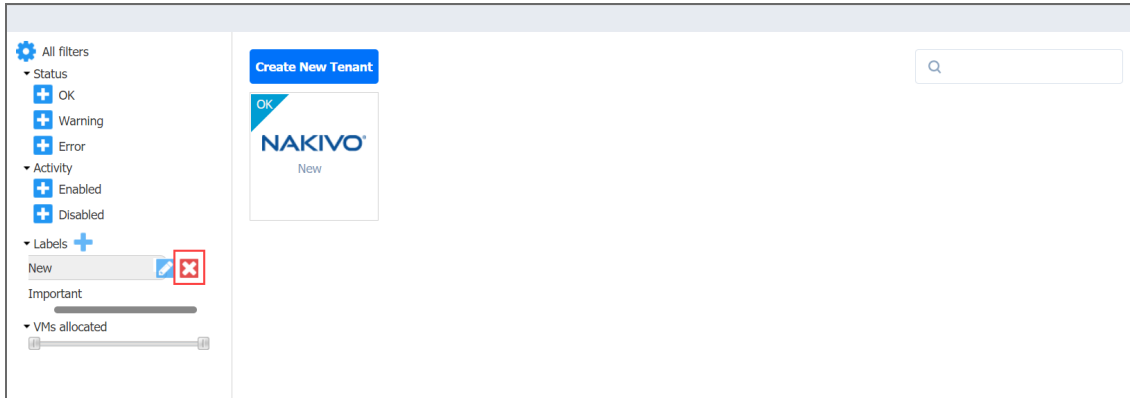
3. Enter the new label name and press the **Enter** key.

Deleting Labels

To permanently delete a label, do the following:

1. Hover the mouse pointer over a label.
2. Click the **Delete** icon.

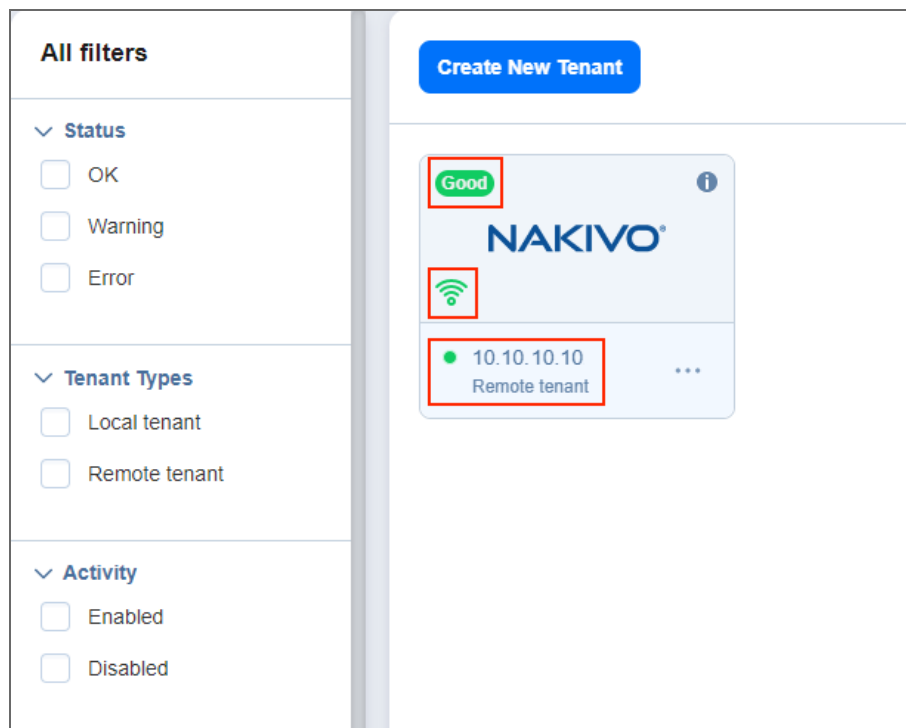
3. In the dialog box that opens, click **Delete** to confirm that you wish to permanently delete the label



Viewing Tenant Information

On the **Master Tenant Dashboard**, you can view information about each tenant's instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication. The information readily displayed on a tenant's card is as follows:

- **Tenant status:** The color and content of this indicator gives an overview of the tenant instance's alarms and notifications status. The given number reflects the number of alarms and/or notifications present at the remote tenant. A green **Good** indicator means there are no outstanding alarms and notifications. Other colors represent the following:
 - **Yellow:** There are outstanding notifications.
 - **Red:** There are outstanding alarms.
 - **Grey:** The tenant is disabled.
- **Connection** (remote tenants only): A green signal icon on a remote tenant's card indicates that a connection has been established between the remote tenant and Master Tenant instances; that is to say, a green signal icon will appear on the remote tenant's card once they have successfully [added the MSP](#). A red signal icon means the connection could not be established or has been interrupted.
- **Accessibility:** A green circle icon next to the tenant's name indicates that the tenant is currently accessible by the Master Tenant.
- **Tenant name and type:** Lastly, the tenant card indicates the name and type of a given tenant.

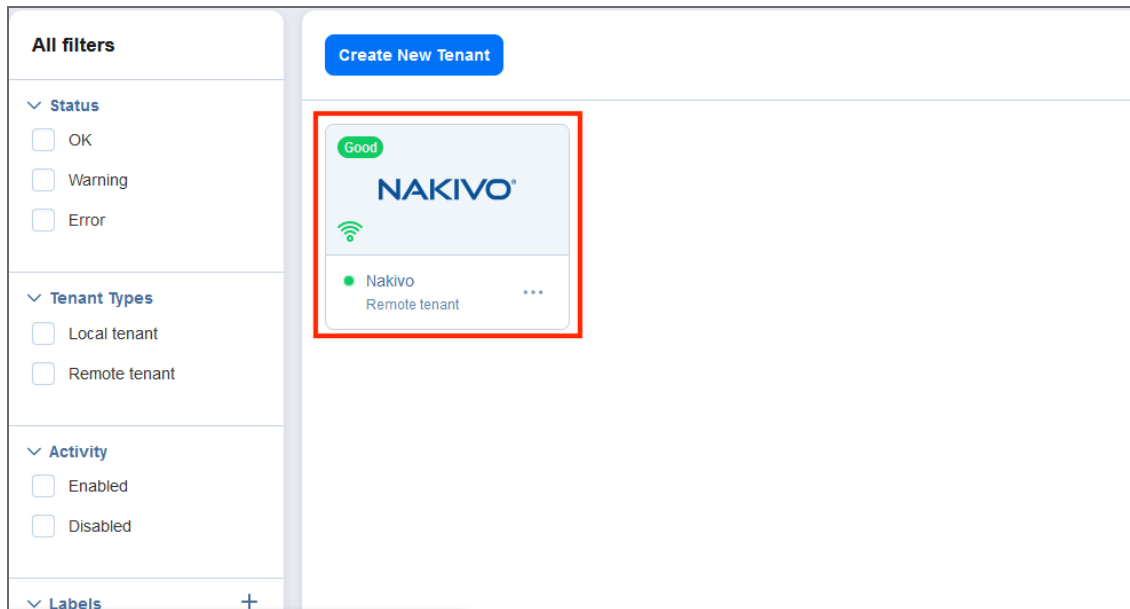


For more tenant information, hover over the tenant card and click on the **Info** button. A pop-up window opens with general tenant details and usage statistics.

The screenshot displays a user interface for managing tenants. On the left, there is a sidebar titled "All filters" with three sections: "Status" (with options for OK, Warning, and Error), "Tenant Types" (with options for Local tenant and Remote tenant), and "Activity" (with options for Enabled and Disabled). The main area on the right features a blue "Create New Tenant" button at the top. Below it is a tenant card for "NAKIVO". The card shows a "Good" status in a green pill, a Wi-Fi icon, and the IP address "10.10.10.10" with the label "Remote tenant". A red box highlights an information icon (an 'i' in a circle) in the top right corner of the tenant card.

Opening Tenant Dashboard

In order to work with a tenant's instance, you should open the tenant's **Dashboard**. For local tenants, this allows you to configure the tenant, create jobs and groups, and perform recovery. For remote tenants, this allows you to monitor their instance of NAKIVO Backup & Replication. To open a tenant's **Dashboard**, simply click the tenant.



Returning to Master Admin Dashboard

To return to the **Master Tenant Dashboard** from a local tenant's instance, click **Tenants** in the navigation bar. To return from a remote tenant's instance, click the arrow to the left of the tenant name.

The screenshot shows the Master Admin Dashboard interface. On the left is a dark navigation sidebar with icons for Dashboards, Overview, Jobs, Repositories, Nodes, Inventory, Tapes, Monitoring, Activities, Calendar, Search, and Settings. The main content area is titled 'Jobs' and 'Overview' for 'Tenant A'. A red box highlights a back arrow and the text 'Tenant A' in the top navigation bar. Below this, a summary bar shows statistics: 334 Issues, 378 Jobs, 20 Running, 104 Failed, 2 Stopped, and 293 Success. A table below lists individual jobs with columns for Job name, Group, Priority, Status, and Speed. The table shows 13 jobs, with 5 in 'Running' status and 8 in 'Idle' status. The bottom of the page shows a pagination control for 'Page 1 of 1000' and a total of '23 items in total'.

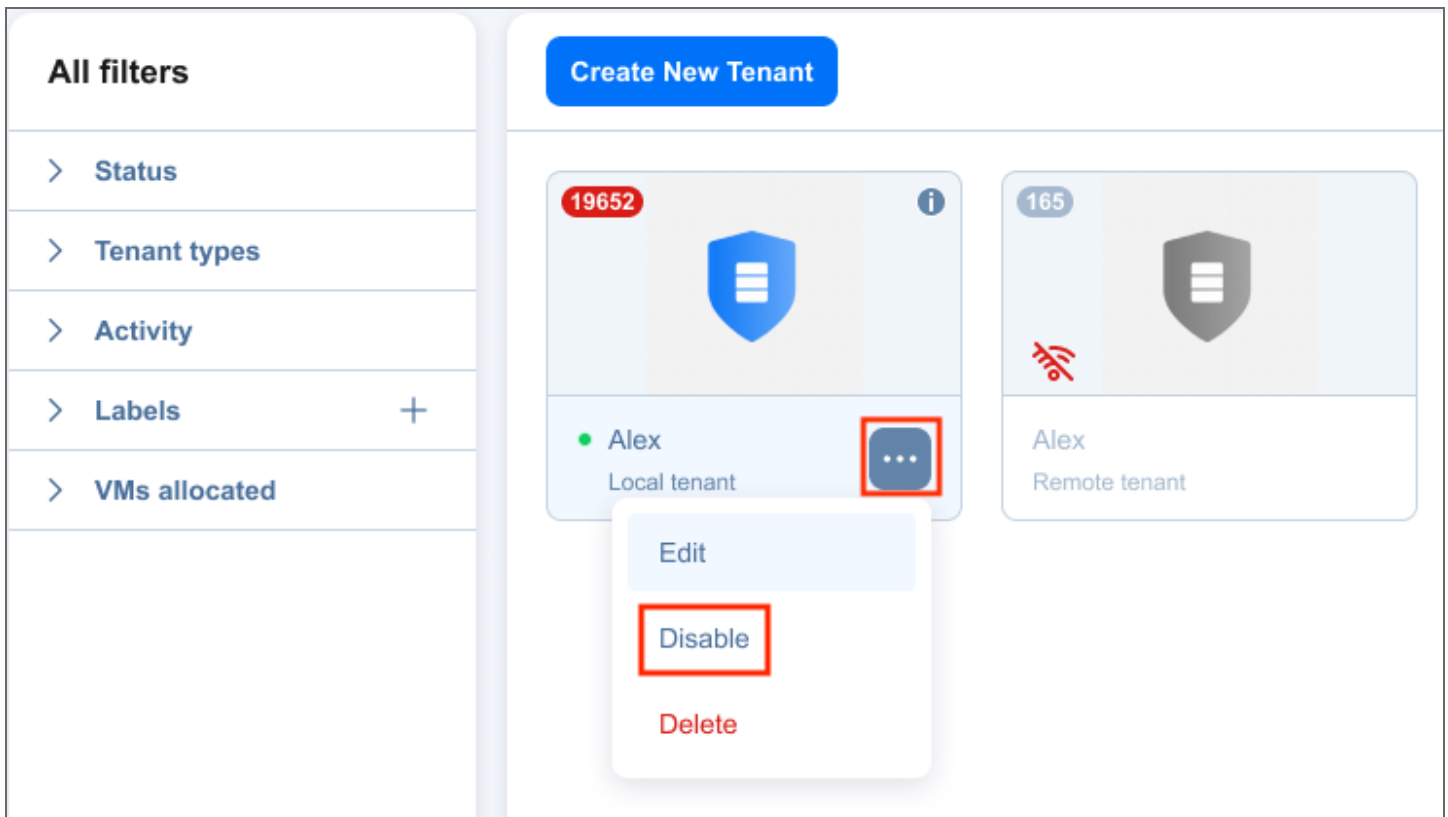
Job name	Group	Priority	Status	Speed
Job A	Child group 01	1	Running	4 Mbit/s
Job A	Child group 01	1	Running	4 Mbit/s
Job A	Child group 01	1	Running	4 Mbit/s
Job A	Child group 01	1	Running	4 Mbit/s
Job A	Child group 01	1	Running	4 Mbit/s
Job A	Child group 02	2	Idle	4 Mbit/s (last run)
Job A	Child group 02	2	Idle	4 Mbit/s (last run)
Job A	Child group 02	2	Idle	4 Mbit/s (last run)
Job A	Child group 02	2	Idle	4 Mbit/s (last run)
Job A	Child group 02	2	Idle	4 Mbit/s (last run)

Disabling Tenants

In multi-tenant mode, you can disable a tenant to temporarily stop delivering backup, replication, and recovery services for that tenant. After disabling a tenant:

- Tenant admin and tenant guest will not be able to log in to the self-service interface. A message saying that the service has been disabled will be displayed after login attempts.
- Existing jobs will not be run on schedule.
- All currently running jobs will be allowed to complete.

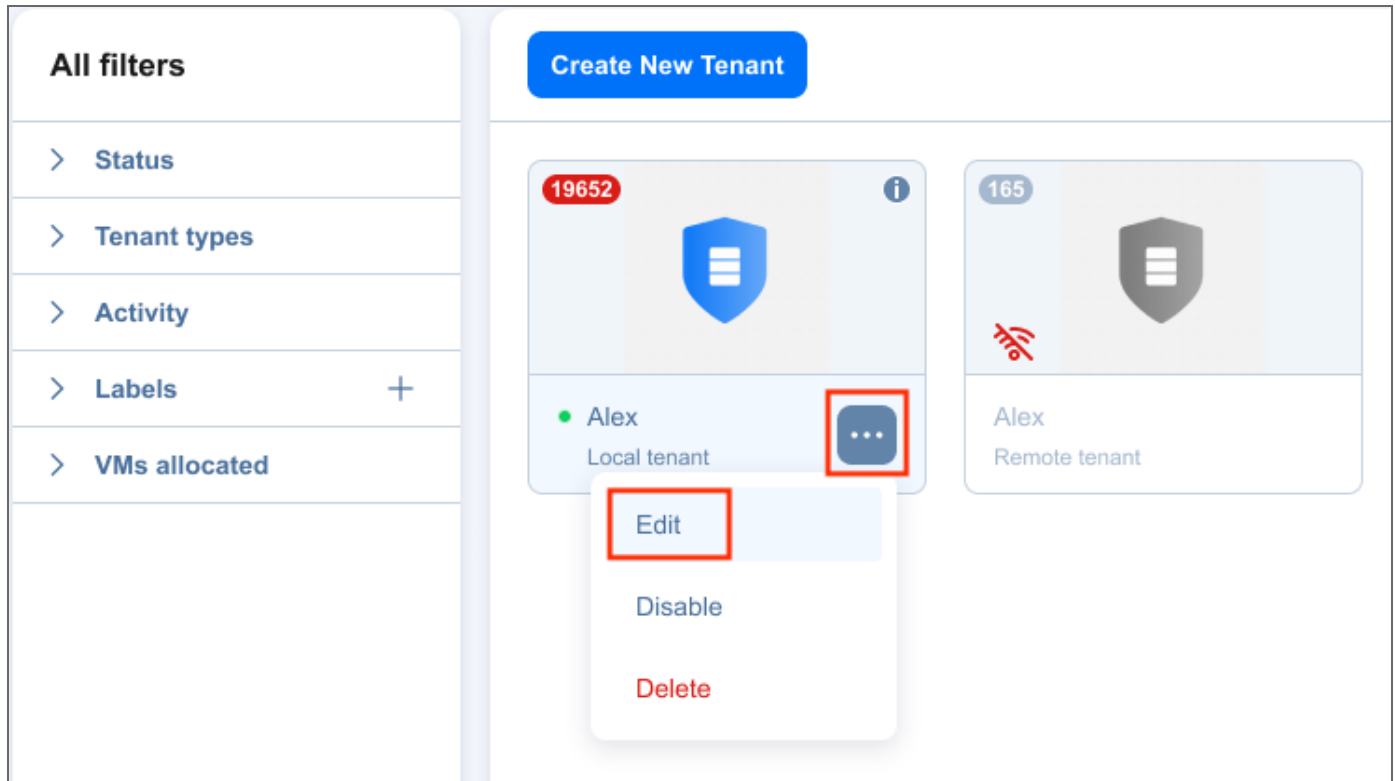
To disable a tenant, hover over the tenant card and click the ellipsis **Manage** button, then click **Disable**.



Editing Tenants

To edit a tenant, do the following:

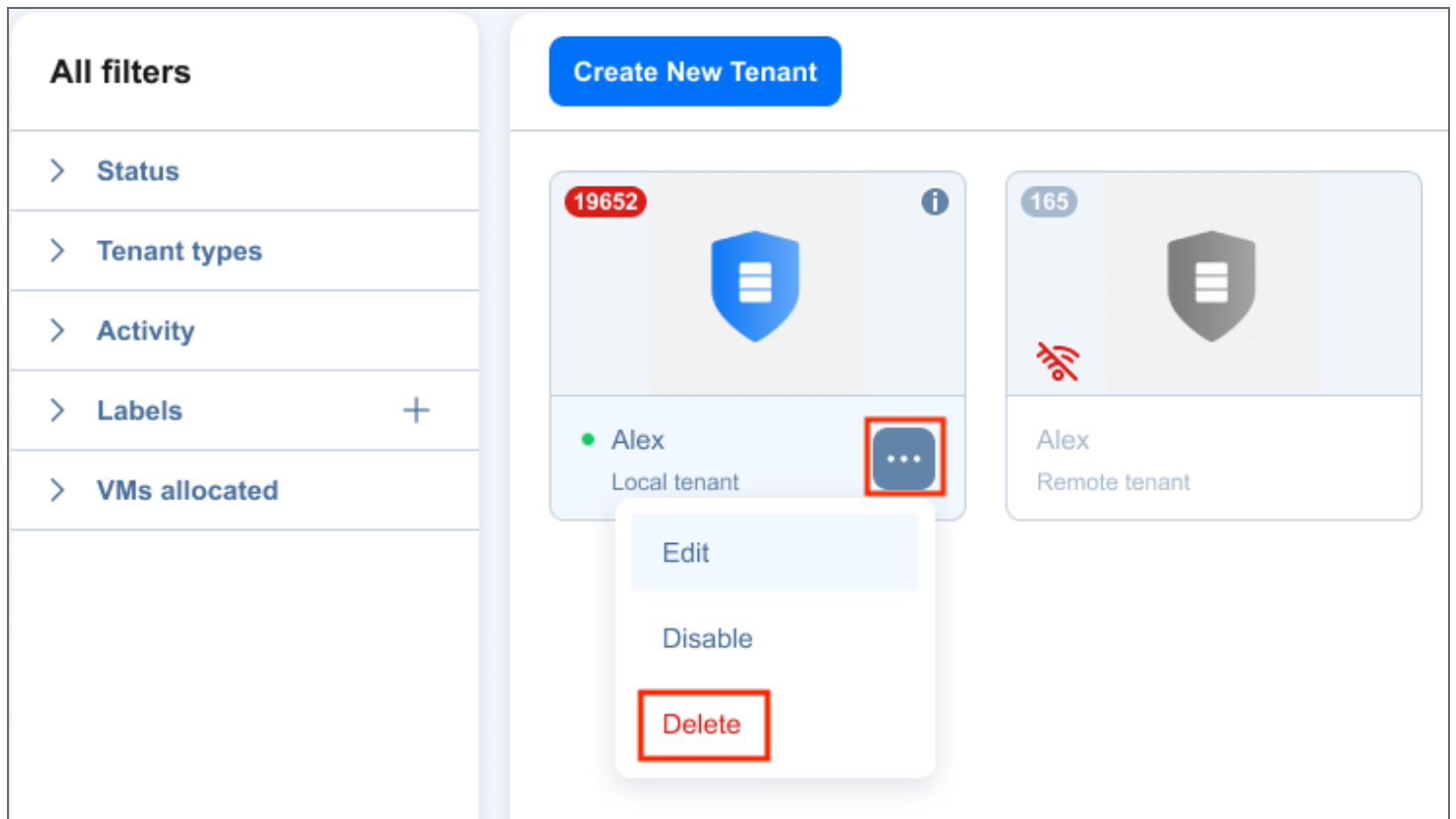
1. Hover over the tenant card and click the ellipsis **Manage** button, then click **Edit**.



2. In the **Edit** dialog box that opens, make the required changes and click **Save**.

Deleting Tenants

To permanently delete a tenant from the product, hover over the tenant card and click the ellipsis **Manage** button, then click **Delete**.



The tenant will be permanently deleted from NAKIVO Backup & Replication.

Tenant Transporters are not uninstalled and the Tenant Backup Repositories are not removed.

Granting Self-Service Access

In the Multi-tenant mode, you can provide local tenants with access to their dashboards. By default, a tenant admin account is automatically created when you create a new local tenant. The tenant admin has full control over the product features inside the tenant dashboard (such as the ability to edit and update tenant inventory, transporters, and backup repositories, and create and manage jobs and groups). For each local tenant, one guest account can also be created. The tenant guest has limited permissions inside the tenant instance and can only generate job and group reports by default. To provide a local tenant with access to the self-service interface, send the following information to the tenant:

- Link to NAKIVO Backup & Replication **Director**
- Tenant login
- Tenant password