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Abstract

Read this for information about deploying a single self-contained Red Hat Hyperconverged Infrastructure for Virtualization server.

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CHAPTER 1. WORKFLOW FOR DEPLOYING A SINGLE HYPERCONVERGED HOST

- 1. Verify that your planned deployment meets Support Requirements, with exceptions described in Chapter 2, *Additional requirements for single node deployments*.
- 2. Install the hyperconverged host machine.
- 3. Configure key-based SSH without a password from the node to itself.
- 4. Browse to the Web Console and deploy a single hyperconverged node.
- 5. Browse to the Red Hat Virtualization Administration Console and configure Red Hat Gluster Storage as a Red Hat Virtualization storage domain.

CHAPTER 2. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR SINGLE NODE DEPLOYMENTS

Red Hat Hyperconverged Infrastructure for Virtualization is supported for deployment on a single node provided that all Support Requirements are met, with the following additions and exceptions.

A single node deployment requires a physical machine with:

- 1 Network Interface Controller
- at least 12 cores
- at least 64GB RAM
- at most 48TB storage

Single node deployments cannot be scaled, and are not highly available.

CHAPTER 3. INSTALL HOST PHYSICAL MACHINE

Your physical machine needs an operating system and access to the appropriate software repositories in order to be used as a hyperconverged host.

3.1. INSTALLING RED HAT VIRTUALIZATION HOST

Red Hat Virtualization Host is a minimal operating system designed for setting up a physical machine that acts as a hypervisor in Red Hat Virtualization, or a hyperconverged host in Red Hat Hyperconverged Infrastructure.

Prerequisites

• Ensure that your physical machine meets the requirements outlined in Physical machines.

Procedure

- 1. Download the Red Hat Virtualization Host ISO image from the Customer Portal:
 - a. Log in to the Customer Portal at https://access.redhat.com.
 - b. Click **Downloads** in the menu bar.
 - c. Click **Red Hat Virtualization**. Scroll up and click **Download Latest** to access the product download page.
 - d. Go to Hypervisor Image for RHV 4.3 and and click Download Now.
 - e. Create a bootable media device. See Making Media in the *Red Hat Enterprise Linux Installation Guide* for more information.
- 2. Start the machine on which you are installing Red Hat Virtualization Host, and boot from the prepared installation media.
- 3. From the boot menu, select Install RHVH 4.3 and press Enter.



NOTE

You can also press the Tab key to edit the kernel parameters. Kernel parameters must be separated by a space, and you can boot the system using the specified kernel parameters by pressing the Enter key. Press the Esc key to clear any changes to the kernel parameters and return to the boot menu.

- 4. Select a language, and click Continue.
- 5. Select a time zone from the Date & Time screen and click Done.



IMPORTANT

Red Hat recommends using Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) on all hosts. This helps ensure that data collection and connectivity are not impacted by variation in local time, such as during daylight savings time.

6. Select a keyboard layout from the *Keyboard* screen and click **Done**.

7. Specify the installation location from the Installation Destination screen.



IMPORTANT

- Red Hat strongly recommends using the **Automatically configure partitioning** option.
- All disks are selected by default, so deselect disks that you do not want to use as installation locations.
- At-rest encryption is not supported. Do not enable encryption.
- Red Hat recommends increasing the size of /var/log to at least 15GB to provide sufficient space for the additional logging requirements of Red Hat Gluster Storage.
 Follow the instructions in Growing a logical volume using the Web Console to increase the size of this partition after installing the operating system.

Click Done.

- 8. Select the Ethernet network from the Network & Host Name screen.
 - a. Click **Configure...** → **General** and select the **Automatically connect to this network when it is available** check box.
- 9. Optionally configure Language Support, Security Policy, and Kdump. See Installing Using Anaconda in the *Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7 Installation Guide* for more information on each of the sections in the *Installation Summary* screen.
- 10. Click Begin Installation.
- 11. Set a root password and, optionally, create an additional user while Red Hat Virtualization Host installs.



WARNING

Red Hat strongly recommends not creating untrusted users on Red Hat Virtualization Host, as this can lead to exploitation of local security vulnerabilities.

12. Click **Reboot** to complete the installation.



NOTE

When Red Hat Virtualization Host restarts, **nodectl check** performs a health check on the host and displays the result when you log in on the command line. The message **node status: OK** or **node status: DEGRADED** indicates the health status. Run **nodectl check** to get more information. The service is enabled by default.

3.2. ENABLING SOFTWARE REPOSITORIES

- Log in to the Web Console.
 Use the management FQDN and port 9090, for example, https://server1.example.com:9090/.
- Navigate to Subscriptions, click Register System, and enter your Customer Portal user name and password. The Red Hat Virtualization Host subscription is automatically attached to the system.
- 3. Click Terminal.
- 4. Enable the **Red Hat Virtualization Host 7** repository to allow later updates to the Red Hat Virtualization Host:

subscription-manager repos --enable=rhel-7-server-rhvh-4-rpms

CHAPTER 4. CONFIGURE KEY BASED SSH AUTHENTICATION WITHOUT A PASSWORD

Configure key-based SSH authentication without a password for the root user from the host, to the FQDNs of both storage and management interfaces on the same host.

4.1. ADDING KNOWN HOSTS TO THE FIRST HOST

When you use SSH to log in to a host from a system that is not already known to the host, you are prompted to add that system as a known host.

- 1. Log in to the first hyperconverged host as the root user.
- 2. Perform the following steps for each host in the cluster, including the first host.
 - a. Use SSH to log in to a host as the root user.

[root@server1]# ssh root@server1.example.com

b. Enter **yes** to continue connecting.

[root@server1]# ssh root@server2.example.com The authenticity of host 'server2.example.com (192.51.100.28)' can't be established. ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:Td8KqgVIPXdTIasdfa2xRwn3/asdBasdpnaGM. Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)?

This automatically adds the host key of the first host to the **known_hosts** file on the target host.

Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes Warning: Permanently added '192.51.100.28' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.

c. Enter the password for the root user on the target host to complete the login process.

d. Log out of the host.

[root@server2]# exit [root@server1]#



NOTE

When you log out of the SSH session from the first host to itself, the user and server in the command line prompt stay the same; it is only the session that changes.

[root@server1]# exit [root@server1]#

4.2. GENERATING SSH KEY PAIRS WITHOUT A PASSWORD

Generating a public/private key pair lets you use key-based SSH authentication. Generating a key pair that does not use a password makes it simpler to use Ansible to automate deployment and configuration processes.

Procedure

- 1. Log in to the first hyperconverged host as the root user.
- 2. Generate an SSH key that does not use a password.
 - a. Start the key generation process.

ssh-keygen -t rsa Generating public/private rsa key pair.

Enter a location for the key.
 The default location, shown in parentheses, is used if no other input is provided.

Enter file in which to save the key (/home/username/.ssh/id_rsa): <location>/<keyname>

c. Specify and confirm an empty passphrase by pressing **Enter** twice.

Enter passphrase (empty for no passphrase): Enter same passphrase again:

The private key is saved in **<location>/<keyname>**. The public key is saved in **<location>/<keyname>.pub**.

Your identification has been saved in <location>/<keyname>. Your public key has been saved in <location>/<keyname>.pub. The key fingerprint is SHA256:8BhZageKrLXM99z5f/AM9aPo/KAUd8ZZFPcPFWqK6+M root@server1.example.com The key's randomart image is: +---[ECDSA 256]---+ +=| . . 0.0 . = +.*. 0...| = . . * . + +..| |. + . . So o * ..| . 0 . .+ = ... 0 00 ..=. . 000...+ | .E++00 | [SHA256]----+



WARNING

Your identification in this output is your private key. Never share your private key. Possession of your private key allows someone else to impersonate you on any system that has your public key.

4.3. COPYING SSH KEYS

To access a host using your private key, that host needs a copy of your public key.

Prerequisites

- Generate a public/private key pair.
- SSH access from the root user on the host to all storage and management interfaces on the same host, using both IP addresses and FQDNs.

Procedure

- 1. Log in to the first host as the root user.
- 2. Copy your public key to the host that you want to access.

ssh-copy-id -i <location>/<keyname>.pub <user>@<hostname>

Enter the password for **<user>@<hostname>** if prompted.



WARNING

Make sure that you use the file that ends in **.pub**. Never share your private key. Possession of your private key allows someone else to impersonate you on any system that has your public key.

CHAPTER 5. CONFIGURING A SINGLE NODE RHHI FOR VIRTUALIZATION DEPLOYMENT

5.1. CONFIGURING RED HAT GLUSTER STORAGE ON A SINGLE NODE



IMPORTANT

Ensure that disks specified as part of this deployment process do not have any partitions or labels.

1. Log into the Web Console

Browse to the the Web Console management interface of the first hyperconverged host, for example, https://node1.example.com:9090/, and log in with the credentials you created in the previous section.

2. Start the deployment wizard



a. <u>Click Virtualization</u> → Hosted Engine and click Start underneath Hyperconverged.

The Gluster Configuration window opens.

b. Click the Run Gluster Wizard for Single Nodebutton.



The *Gluster Deployment* window opens in single node mode.

3. Specify hyperconverged host

Specify the back-end FQDN on the storage network of the hyperconverged host and click **Next**.

Gluster Deployment			×
Hosts	Volumes	Bricks	Review
•	(2)	3	4
Host1	host1.example.com		
			Cancel < Back Next >

4. Specify volumes

Specify the volumes to create.

			r	0
Name	Volume Type	Arbiter	Brick Dirs	
engine	Distribute ~		/gluster_bricks/engine/engine	Ť
data	Distribute ~		/gluster_bricks/data/data	*
vmstore	Distribute ~		/gluster_bricks/vmstore/vmsto	Ŵ
•) Add Volume			

Name

Specify the name of the volume to be created.

Volume Type

Specify a **Distribute** volume type. Only distributed volumes are supported for single node deployments.

Brick Dirs

The directory that contains this volume's bricks.

5. Specify bricks

Specify the bricks to create.

Host	S	Ve	olumes		Bricks	Review
Raid	Information	8				
	Raid	Type RAIL	06 ~			
	Stripe Size	(KB) 256				
			·			
	Data Disk Co	ount 12	~			
Bric	k Configuratio	'n				
Se	elect Host	host1.example.c	om	~		
	LV Name	Device Name	Size(GB)	Thinp	Mount Point	Enable Dedupe & Compression
	engine	sdb	100		/gluster_bricks/engine	
	data	sdb	500	~	/gluster_bricks/data	
	vmstore	sdb	500	~	/gluster_bricks/vmstore	
	Configure	LV Cache				
		Arbiter br	icks will be crea	ted on the t	hird host in the host list.	
			iens min se creu			

RAID

Specify the RAID configuration to use. This should match the RAID configuration of your host. Supported values are **raid5**, **raid6**, and **jbod**. Setting this option ensures that your storage is correctly tuned for your RAID configuration.

Stripe Size

Specify the RAID stripe size in KB. Do not enter units, only the number. This can be ignored for **jbod** configurations.

Disk Count

Specify the number of data disks in a RAID volume. This can be ignored for **jbod** configurations.

LV Name

The name of the logical volume to be created. This is pre-filled with the name that you specified on the previous page of the wizard.

Device

Specify the raw device you want to use. Red Hat recommends an unpartitioned device.

a. With multipath devices

If the environment has multipath devices for the Gluster deployment from the cockpit, use multipath WWIDs. For example: /dev/mapper/3600508b1001caab032303683327a6a2e instead of /dev/sdb

b. Without the multipath devices

If there are no multipath devices in the environment. Blacklist these devices.



NOTE

Blacklist: Listing of specific devices that will not be considered for multipath.

There are different ways to blacklist the device. For more information, refer to RHEL 7 DM Multipath, chapter 4.2.

- To blacklist the device /dev/sdb
 - i. Create a directory: /etc/multipath/conf.d/
 - ii. Create a file under this directory with the following content: blacklist { devnodes "<device>"

For example:

[root@ ~]# cat /etc/multipath/conf.d/99-custom-multipath.conf blacklist { devnodes "sdb"



IMPORTANT

Local disks should not have multipath names. Use *Isblk* command to check for multipath names.

If there are multipath names on the disks, after blacklisting the disks, reboot the hosts.

Size

Specify the size of the logical volume to create in GB. Do not enter units, only the number. This number should be the same for all bricks in a replicated set. Arbiter bricks can be smaller than other bricks in their replication set.

Mount Point

The mount point for the logical volume. This is pre-filled with the brick directory that you specified on the previous page of the wizard.

Thinp

This option is enabled and volumes are thinly provisioned by default, except for the **engine** volume, which must be thickly provisioned.

Enable Dedupe & Compression

Specify whether to provision the volume using VDO for compression and deduplication at deployment time.

Logical Size (GB)

Specify the logical size of the VDO volume. This can be up to 10 times the size of the physical volume, with an absolute maximum logical size of 4 PB.

Configure LV Cache

Optionally, check this checkbox to configure a small, fast SSD device as a logical volume cache for a larger, slower logical volume. Add the device path to the **SSD** field, the size to the **LV Size (GB)** field, and set the **Cache Mode** used by the device.



WARNING

To avoid data loss when using write-back mode, Red Hat recommends using two separate SSD/NVMe devices. Configuring the two devices in a RAID-1 configuration (via software or hardware), significantly reduces the potential of data loss from lost writes.

For further information about lvmcache configuration, see Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7 LVM Administration.

6. Review and edit configuration

Review the contents of the generated configuration file and click **Edit** to modify the file, and **Save** to keep your changes.

Click **Deploy** when you are satisfied with the configuration file.



Cancel	< Back	Deploy
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7. Wait for deployment to complete

You can watch the deployment process in the text field.

The window displays **Successfully deployed gluster** when complete.

Click **Continue to Hosted Engine Deployment** and continue the deployment process with the instructions in Section 5.2, "Deploy the Hosted Engine on a single node using the Web Console" .



IMPORTANT

If deployment fails, click the **Redeploy** button. This returns you to the *Review and edit configuration* tab so that you can correct any issues in the generated configuration file before reattempting deployment.

If you want to start over again from scratch, run the following command to clean up the attempted deployment.

ansible-playbook -i /etc/ansible/hc_wizard_inventory.yml /etc/ansible/roles/gluster.ansible/playbooks/hc-ansibledeployment/tasks/gluster_cleanup.yml

5.2. DEPLOY THE HOSTED ENGINE ON A SINGLE NODE USING THE WEB CONSOLE

This section shows you how to deploy the Hosted Engine on a single node using the Web Console. Following this process results in Red Hat Virtualization Manager running in a virtual machine on your node, and managing that virtual machine. It also configures a Default cluster consisting only of that node, and enables Red Hat Gluster Storage functionality and the **virtual-host** *tuned* performance profile for the cluster of one.

Prerequisites

- Configure Red Hat Gluster Storage on a single node
- Gather the information you need for Hosted Engine deployment Have the following information ready before you start the deployment process.
 - IP address for a pingable gateway to the hyperconverged host
 - IP address of the front-end management network
 - Fully-qualified domain name (FQDN) for the Hosted Engine virtual machine
 - MAC address that resolves to the static FQDN and IP address of the Hosted Engine

Procedure

1. Open the Hosted Engine Deployment wizard

If you continued directly from the end of Configure Red Hat Gluster Storage on a single node , the wizard is already open.

Otherwise:

- a. Click Virtualization \rightarrow Hosted Engine.
- b. Click Start underneath Hyperconverged.

c. Click Use existing configuration.



IMPORTANT

If the previous deployment attempt failed, click **Clean up** instead of **Use existing configuration** to discard the previous attempt and start from scratch.

2. Specify virtual machine details

Hosted Engine Deployme	nt			×
VM 1	Engine	Prepare VM	Storage	Finish
VM Setti	ngs			
I	Engine VM FQDN er	ngine.example.com		
	MAC Address 00			
Netwo	rk Configuration DI	HCP ~		
	Bridge Interface er	ns2f0 v		
	Root Password	۲		
	Root SSH Access	25 ×		
Numbe	r of Virtual CPUs	()		
м	emory Size (MiB) 16	i348 🔦 62,047MB available		
> Advar	nced			

a. Enter the following details:

Engine VM FQDN

The fully qualified domain name to be used for the Hosted Engine virtual machine, for example, **engine.example.com**.

Cancel

< Back

MAC Address

The MAC address associated with the Engine VM FQDN.



IMPORTANT

The pre-populated MAC address must be replaced.

Root password

The root password to be used for the Hosted Engine virtual machine.

b. Click Next. Your FQDNs are validated before the next screen appears.

3. Specify virtualization management details

a. Enter the password to be used by the **admin** account in the Administration Portal. You can also specify notification behaviour here.

Hosted Engine	Deployment		×
VM 1)-	Engine 2	Prepare VM Storage Finish	
	Engine Credentials Admin Portal Password	••••••	
	Notification Settings		
	Server Name	localhost	
	Server Port Number	25 🗘	
	Sender E-Mail Address	root@localhost	
	Recipient E-Mail Addresses	root@localhost - +	



b. Click Next.

4. Review virtual machine configuration

a. Ensure that the details listed on this tab are correct. Click **Back** to correct any incorrect information.

Hosted Engine Deployme	ent			×
VM	Engine	Prepare VM	Storage	Finish
1	2	3	4	5
Please re started a dependin	view the configuration. Once yo nd used to prepare the manager g on your hardware.	u click the 'Prepare VM' but nent services and their data	ton, a local virtual machine will b a. This operation may take some	De time
V VI	Μ			
I	Engine FQDN: engine.example.co	om		
I	MAC Address: 00:xx:xx:xx:xx:x	x		
I	Network Configuration: Static			
N N	VM IP Address: 192.168.0.104			
(Gateway Address: 192.168.0.104			
I	DNS Servers: 192.168.0.254			
1	Root User SSH Access: yes			
I	Number of Virtual CPUs: 4			
I	Memory Size (MiB): 16348			
1	Root User SSH Public Key: (None)			
	Add Lines to /etc/hosts: yes			
I	Bridge Name: ovirtmgmt			
✓ Er	ngine			
5	SMTP Server Name: localhost			
5	SMTP Server Port Number: 25			
	Sender E-Mail Address: root@loca	alhost		
			Cancel	< Back Prepare VM

b. Click **Prepare VM**.

c. Wait for virtual machine preparation to complete.



If preparation does not occur successfully, see Viewing Hosted Engine deployment errors.

- d. Click Next.
- 5. Specify storage for the Hosted Engine virtual machine
 - a. Specify the back-end address and location of the **engine** volume.

d Engine Deploym	ent			
VM	Engine	Prepare VM	Storage	Finish
(1)	(2)	(3)	4	(5)
Please c that the your dep Storag	onfigure the storage doma management VM needs to oloyment, so highly availal e Settings	in that will be used to host the disk f be responsive and reliable enough t ble storage is preferred.	for the management VM. P to be able to manage all re	lease note sources of
	Storage Type G	luster ~		
St	orage Connection	ost1.example.com:/engine		
	Mount Options			
> Adva	anced			

Cancel < Back

b. Click Next.

6. Finalize Hosted Engine deployment

a. Review your deployment details and verify that they are correct.



NOTE

The responses you provided during configuration are saved to an answer file to help you reinstall the hosted engine if necessary. The answer file is created at /**etc/ovirt-hosted-engine/answers.conf** by default. This file should not be modified manually without assistance from Red Hat Support.

VM	Engine	Prepare VM	Storage	Finish
1	2	3	4	5
Please r	eview the configuration. Onc	e you click the 'Finish Deploymer	nt' button, the management \	/M will be
transfer You will	red to the configured storage be able to use your hosted e	e and the configuration of your h ngine once this step finishes.	osted engine cluster will be f	inalized.
\sim S	itorage			
	Storage Type: glusterfs			
	Storage Domain Connection:	host1.example.com.:/engine		
	Mount Options:			
	Disk Size (GiB): 58			

b. Click Finish Deployment.

7. Wait for deployment to complete This takes up to 30 minutes.

The window displays the following when complete.







IMPORTANT

If deployment does not complete successfully, see Viewing Hosted Engine deployment errors.

Click Close.

8. Verify hosted engine deployment

Browse to the Administration Portal (for example, http://engine.example.com/ovirt-engine) and verify that you can log in using the administrative credentials you configured earlier. Click **Dashboard** and look for your hosts, storage domains, and virtual machines.



Next steps

• Log in to the Administration Portal to complete configuration .

CHAPTER 6. CONFIGURE RED HAT GLUSTER STORAGE AS A RED HAT VIRTUALIZATION STORAGE DOMAIN

The hosted engine storage domain is imported automatically, but other storage domains must be added to be used.

- 1. Click the **Storage** tab and then click **New Domain**.
- 2. Select **GlusterFS** as the **Storage Type** and provide a **Name** for the domain.
- 3. Check the Use managed gluster volume option and select the volume to use.
- 4. Click **OK** to save.

CHAPTER 7. VERIFY YOUR DEPLOYMENT

After deployment is complete, verify that your deployment has completed successfully.

1. Browse to the Administration Portal, for example, http://engine.example.com/ovirt-engine.

Administration Console Login

			Set redhat.
RED	HAT VIRTUALIZATION		
Username			
Password			
Profile	internal	¢	
		Log In	

2. Log in using the administrative credentials added during hosted engine deployment. When login is successful, the Dashboard appears.

Administration Console Dashboard

	ALIZATION					■ ● ≡ •	≜ [®] ₽×≛×
🕐 Dashboard	C O Last Updated 8/28/2	018, 1:38:16 PM GMT+10					
: Compute >	🔲 1 Data Centers	1 Clusters	🖵 1 Hosts	5 Data Storage Domains	S Gluster Volumes	46 Virtual Machines	81 Events
蕭 Network >	⊙ 1	N/A	⊕ 1	⊙ 5	⊙ 5	⊙ 15 ⊙ 31	▶ 81
	Global Utilization						
Storage >	CPU		Memory		Stor	age	
🏟 Administration >	97% Available of 100% Virtual resources - Commit	ted: 138%, Allocated: 198%	573.7 of Virtual resourc	vailable 754.9 GiB es - Committed: 29%, Allocated: 38%	28. virtua	9 Available of 32 TIB Il resources - Committed: 4%, Alloc	ated: 35%
Fvents							
		3% ^{Used}		181.2 Gib Used		3.1 TIB Used)
	Cluster Utilization				Sto	brage Utilization	
	CPU		Memory			Storage	

3. Verify that your cluster is available.

Administration Console Dashboard - Clusters



4. Verify that one host is available.



- a. Click **Compute** \rightarrow **Hosts**.
- b. Verify that your host is listed with a **Status** of **Up**.
- 5. Verify that all storage domains are available.
 - a. Click **Storage** \rightarrow **Domains**.
 - b. Verify that the **Active** icon is shown in the first column.

Administration Console - Storage Domains

Storage » Storage Domains

Sto	age:				x 🕸 ~ Q		New Domain Import Dor	Manage Domai	Remove
2 ~ 1-5 <									
		Domain Name	Comment	Domain Type	Storage Type	Format	Cross Data Center Status	Total Space	Free Space
		data		Data	GlusterFS	V4	Active	4998 GIB	4563 GiB
		hosted_storage		Data (Master)	GlusterFS	V4	Active	99 GiB	88 GiB
		vmstore		Data	GlusterFS	V4	Active	9998 GiB	9284 GiB

CHAPTER 8. NEXT STEPS

- Learn to create and manage Red Hat Gluster Storage using the Administration Portal in Managing Red Hat Gluster Storage using the RHV Administration Portal .
- Learn to create and manage virtual machines in the Red Hat Virtualization Virtual Machine Management Guide.
- Review the RHHI for Virtualization documentation on the Red Hat Customer Portal.

PART I. REFERENCE MATERIAL

APPENDIX A. GLOSSARY OF TERMS

A.1. VIRTUALIZATION TERMS

Administration Portal

A web user interface provided by Red Hat Virtualization Manager, based on the oVirt engine web user interface. It allows administrators to manage and monitor cluster resources like networks, storage domains, and virtual machine templates.

Hosted Engine

The instance of Red Hat Virtualization Manager that manages RHHI for Virtualization.

Hosted Engine virtual machine

The virtual machine that acts as Red Hat Virtualization Manager. The Hosted Engine virtual machine runs on a virtualization host that is managed by the instance of Red Hat Virtualization Manager that is running on the Hosted Engine virtual machine.

Manager node

A virtualization host that runs Red Hat Virtualization Manager directly, rather than running it in a Hosted Engine virtual machine.

Red Hat Enterprise Linux host

A physical machine installed with Red Hat Enterprise Linux plus additional packages to provide the same capabilities as a Red Hat Virtualization host. This type of host is not supported for use with RHHI for Virtualization.

Red Hat Virtualization

An operating system and management interface for virtualizing resources, processes, and applications for Linux and Microsoft Windows workloads.

Red Hat Virtualization host

A physical machine installed with Red Hat Virtualization that provides the physical resources to support the virtualization of resources, processes, and applications for Linux and Microsoft Windows workloads. This is the only type of host supported with RHHI for Virtualization.

Red Hat Virtualization Manager

A server that runs the management and monitoring capabilities of Red Hat Virtualization.

Self-Hosted Engine node

A virtualization host that contains the Hosted Engine virtual machine. All hosts in a RHHI for Virtualization deployment are capable of becoming Self-Hosted Engine nodes, but there is only one Self-Hosted Engine node at a time.

storage domain

A named collection of images, templates, snapshots, and metadata. A storage domain can be comprised of block devices or file systems. Storage domains are attached to data centers in order to provide access to the collection of images, templates, and so on to hosts in the data center.

virtualization host

A physical machine with the ability to virtualize physical resources, processes, and applications for client access.

VM Portal

A web user interface provided by Red Hat Virtualization Manager. It allows users to manage and monitor virtual machines.

A.2. STORAGE TERMS

brick

An exported directory on a server in a trusted storage pool.

cache logical volume

A small, fast logical volume used to improve the performance of a large, slow logical volume.

geo-replication

One way asynchronous replication of data from a source Gluster volume to a target volume. Georeplication works across local and wide area networks as well as the Internet. The target volume can be a Gluster volume in a different trusted storage pool, or another type of storage.

gluster volume

A logical group of bricks that can be configured to distribute, replicate, or disperse data according to workload requirements.

logical volume management (LVM)

A method of combining physical disks into larger virtual partitions. Physical volumes are placed in volume groups to form a pool of storage that can be divided into logical volumes as needed.

Red Hat Gluster Storage

An operating system based on Red Hat Enterprise Linux with additional packages that provide support for distributed, software-defined storage.

source volume

The Gluster volume that data is being copied from during geo-replication.

storage host

A physical machine that provides storage for client access.

target volume

The Gluster volume or other storage volume that data is being copied to during geo-replication.

thin provisioning

Provisioning storage such that only the space that is required is allocated at creation time, with further space being allocated dynamically according to need over time.

thick provisioning

Provisioning storage such that all space is allocated at creation time, regardless of whether that space is required immediately.

trusted storage pool

A group of Red Hat Gluster Storage servers that recognise each other as trusted peers.

A.3. HYPERCONVERGED INFRASTRUCTURE TERMS

Red Hat Hyperconverged Infrastructure (RHHI) for Virtualization

RHHI for Virtualization is a single product that provides both virtual compute and virtual storage resources. Red Hat Virtualization and Red Hat Gluster Storage are installed in a converged configuration, where the services of both products are available on each physical machine in a cluster.

hyperconverged host

A physical machine that provides physical storage, which is virtualized and consumed by virtualized processes and applications run on the same host. All hosts installed with RHHI for Virtualization are hyperconverged hosts.

Web Console

The web user interface for deploying, managing, and monitoring RHHI for Virtualization. The Web Console is provided by the the Web Console service and plugins for Red Hat Virtualization Manager.