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# **Abstract**

This document discusses container security, configuring certificates, and enabling encryption to help secure the cluster.

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# CHAPTER 1. OPENSHIFT CONTAINER PLATFORM SECURITY AND COMPLIANCE

# 1.1. SECURITY OVERVIEW

It is important to understand how to properly secure various aspects of your OpenShift Container Platform cluster.

# **Container security**

A good starting point to understanding OpenShift Container Platform security is to review the concepts in Understanding container security. This and subsequent sections provide a high-level walkthrough of the container security measures available in OpenShift Container Platform, including solutions for the host layer, the container and orchestration layer, and the build and application layer. These sections also include information on the following topics:

- Why container security is important and how it compares with existing security standards.
- Which container security measures are provided by the host (RHCOS and RHEL) layer and which are provided by OpenShift Container Platform.
- How to evaluate your container content and sources for vulnerabilities.
- How to design your build and deployment process to proactively check container content.
- How to control access to containers through authentication and authorization.
- How networking and attached storage are secured in OpenShift Container Platform.
- Containerized solutions for API management and SSO.

#### **Auditing**

OpenShift Container Platform auditing provides a security-relevant chronological set of records documenting the sequence of activities that have affected the system by individual users, administrators, or other components of the system. Administrators can configure the audit log policy and view audit logs.

#### Certificates

Certificates are used by various components to validate access to the cluster. Administrators can replace the default ingress certificate, add API server certificates, or add a service certificate.

You can also review more details about the types of certificates used by the cluster:

- User-provided certificates for the API server
- Proxy certificates
- Service CA certificates
- Node certificates
- Bootstrap certificates
- etcd certificates
- OLM certificates

- User-provided certificates for default ingress
- Ingress certificates
- Monitoring and cluster logging Operator component certificates
- Control plane certificates

# **Encrypting data**

You can enable etcd encryption for your cluster to provide an additional layer of data security. For example, it can help protect the loss of sensitive data if an etcd backup is exposed to the incorrect parties.

# Vulnerability scanning

Administrators can use the Red Hat Quay Container Security Operator to run vulnerability scans and review information about detected vulnerabilities.

# 1.2. COMPLIANCE OVERVIEW

For many OpenShift Container Platform customers, regulatory readiness, or compliance, on some level is required before any systems can be put into production. That regulatory readiness can be imposed by national standards, industry standards, or the organization's corporate governance framework.

#### Compliance checking

Administrators can use the Compliance Operator to run compliance scans and recommend remediations for any issues found.

# File integrity checking

Administrators can use the File Integrity Operator to continually run file integrity checks on cluster nodes and provide a log of files that have been modified.

# 1.3. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Understanding authentication
- Configuring the internal OAuth server
- Understanding identity provider configuration
- Using RBAC to define and apply permissions
- Managing security context constraints

# **CHAPTER 2. CONTAINER SECURITY**

# 2.1. UNDERSTANDING CONTAINER SECURITY

Securing a containerized application relies on multiple levels of security:

• Container security begins with a trusted base container image and continues through the container build process as it moves through your CI/CD pipeline.



#### **IMPORTANT**

Image streams by default do not automatically update. This default behavior might create a security issue because security updates to images referenced by an image stream do not automatically occur. For information about how to override this default behavior, see Configuring periodic importing of imagestreamtags.

- When a container is deployed, its security depends on it running on secure operating systems and networks, and establishing firm boundaries between the container itself and the users and hosts that interact with it.
- Continued security relies on being able to scan container images for vulnerabilities and having an efficient way to correct and replace vulnerable images.

Beyond what a platform such as OpenShift Container Platform offers out of the box, your organization will likely have its own security demands. Some level of compliance verification might be needed before you can even bring OpenShift Container Platform into your data center.

Likewise, you may need to add your own agents, specialized hardware drivers, or encryption features to OpenShift Container Platform, before it can meet your organization's security standards.

This guide provides a high-level walkthrough of the container security measures available in OpenShift Container Platform, including solutions for the host layer, the container and orchestration layer, and the build and application layer. It then points you to specific OpenShift Container Platform documentation to help you achieve those security measures.

This guide contains the following information:

- Why container security is important and how it compares with existing security standards.
- Which container security measures are provided by the host (RHCOS and RHEL) layer and which are provided by OpenShift Container Platform.
- How to evaluate your container content and sources for vulnerabilities.
- How to design your build and deployment process to proactively check container content.
- How to control access to containers through authentication and authorization.
- How networking and attached storage are secured in OpenShift Container Platform.
- Containerized solutions for API management and SSO.

The goal of this guide is to understand the incredible security benefits of using OpenShift Container Platform for your containerized workloads and how the entire Red Hat ecosystem plays a part in making

and keeping containers secure. It will also help you understand how you can engage with the OpenShift Container Platform to achieve your organization's security goals.

#### 2.1.1. What are containers?

Containers package an application and all its dependencies into a single image that can be promoted from development, to test, to production, without change. A container might be part of a larger application that works closely with other containers.

Containers provide consistency across environments and multiple deployment targets: physical servers, virtual machines (VMs), and private or public cloud.

Some of the benefits of using containers include:

Infrastructure	Applications
Sandboxed application processes on a shared Linux operating system kernel	Package my application and all of its dependencies
Simpler, lighter, and denser than virtual machines	Deploy to any environment in seconds and enable CI/CD
Portable across different environments	Easily access and share containerized components

See Understanding Linux containers from the Red Hat Customer Portal to find out more about Linux containers. To learn about RHEL container tools, see Building, running, and managing containers in the RHEL product documentation.

# 2.1.2. What is OpenShift Container Platform?

Automating how containerized applications are deployed, run, and managed is the job of a platform such as OpenShift Container Platform. At its core, OpenShift Container Platform relies on the Kubernetes project to provide the engine for orchestrating containers across many nodes in scalable data centers.

Kubernetes is a project, which can run using different operating systems and add-on components that offer no guarantees of supportability from the project. As a result, the security of different Kubernetes platforms can vary.

OpenShift Container Platform is designed to lock down Kubernetes security and integrate the platform with a variety of extended components. To do this, OpenShift Container Platform draws on the extensive Red Hat ecosystem of open source technologies that include the operating systems, authentication, storage, networking, development tools, base container images, and many other components.

OpenShift Container Platform can leverage Red Hat's experience in uncovering and rapidly deploying fixes for vulnerabilities in the platform itself as well as the containerized applications running on the platform. Red Hat's experience also extends to efficiently integrating new components with OpenShift Container Platform as they become available and adapting technologies to individual customer needs.

#### Additional resources

OpenShift Container Platform architecture

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# 2.2. UNDERSTANDING HOST AND VM SECURITY

Both containers and virtual machines provide ways of separating applications running on a host from the operating system itself. Understanding RHCOS, which is the operating system used by OpenShift Container Platform, will help you see how the host systems protect containers and hosts from each other.

# 2.2.1. Securing containers on Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS)

Containers simplify the act of deploying many applications to run on the same host, using the same kernel and container runtime to spin up each container. The applications can be owned by many users and, because they are kept separate, can run different, and even incompatible, versions of those applications at the same time without issue.

In Linux, containers are just a special type of process, so securing containers is similar in many ways to securing any other running process. An environment for running containers starts with an operating system that can secure the host kernel from containers and other processes running on the host, as well as secure containers from each other.

Because OpenShift Container Platform 4.6 runs on RHCOS hosts, with the option of using Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) as worker nodes, the following concepts apply by default to any deployed OpenShift Container Platform cluster. These RHEL security features are at the core of what makes running containers in OpenShift more secure:

- Linux namespaces enable creating an abstraction of a particular global system resource to make
  it appear as a separate instance to processes within a namespace. Consequently, several
  containers can use the same computing resource simultaneously without creating a conflict.
  Container namespaces that are separate from the host by default include mount table, process
  table, network interface, user, control group, UTS, and IPC namespaces. Those containers that
  need direct access to host namespaces need to have elevated permissions to request that
  access. See Overview of Containers in Red Hat Systems from the RHEL 7 container
  documentation for details on the types of namespaces.
- SELinux provides an additional layer of security to keep containers isolated from each other and from the host. SELinux allows administrators to enforce mandatory access controls (MAC) for every user, application, process, and file.



# **WARNING**

Disabling SELinux on RHCOS nodes is not supported.

- CGroups (control groups) limit, account for, and isolate the resource usage (CPU, memory, disk I/O, network, etc.) of a collection of processes. CGroups are used to ensure that containers on the same host are not impacted by each other.
- Secure computing mode (seccomp) profiles can be associated with a container to restrict available system calls. See page 94 of the OpenShift Security Guide for details about seccomp.

 Deploying containers using RHCOS reduces the attack surface by minimizing the host environment and tuning it for containers. The CRI-O container engine further reduces that attack surface by implementing only those features required by Kubernetes and OpenShift to run and manage containers, as opposed to other container engines that implement desktoporiented standalone features.

RHCOS is a version of Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) that is specially configured to work as control plane (master) and worker nodes on OpenShift Container Platform clusters. So RHCOS is tuned to efficiently run container workloads, along with Kubernetes and OpenShift services.

To further protect RHCOS systems in OpenShift Container Platform clusters, most containers, except those managing or monitoring the host system itself, should run as a non-root user. Dropping the privilege level or creating containers with the least amount of privileges possible is recommended best practice for protecting your own OpenShift Container Platform clusters.

#### Additional resources

- How nodes enforce resource constraints
- Managing security context constraints
- Available platforms
- Machine requirements for a cluster with user-provisioned infrastructure
- Choosing how to configure RHCOS
- Ignition
- Kernel arguments
- Kernel modules
- FIPS cryptography
- Disk encryption
- Chrony time service
- OpenShift Container Platform cluster updates

# 2.2.2. Comparing virtualization and containers

Traditional virtualization provides another way to keep application environments separate on the same physical host. However, virtual machines work in a different way than containers. Virtualization relies on a hypervisor spinning up guest virtual machines (VMs), each of which has its own operating system (OS), represented by a running kernel, as well as the running application and its dependencies.

With VMs, the hypervisor isolates the guests from each other and from the host kernel. Fewer individuals and processes have access to the hypervisor, reducing the attack surface on the physical server. That said, security must still be monitored: one guest VM might be able to use hypervisor bugs to gain access to another VM or the host kernel. And, when the OS needs to be patched, it must be patched on all guest VMs using that OS.

Containers can be run inside guest VMs, and there might be use cases where this is desirable. For example, you might be deploying a traditional application in a container, perhaps in order to lift-and-shift an application to the cloud.

Container separation on a single host, however, provides a more lightweight, flexible, and easier-to-scale deployment solution. This deployment model is particularly appropriate for cloud-native applications. Containers are generally much smaller than VMs and consume less memory and CPU.

See Linux Containers Compared to KVM Virtualization in the RHEL 7 container documentation to learn about the differences between container and VMs.

# 2.2.3. Securing OpenShift Container Platform

When you deploy OpenShift Container Platform, you have the choice of an installer-provisioned infrastructure (there are several available platforms) or your own user-provisioned infrastructure. Some low-level security-related configuration, such as enabling FIPS compliance or adding kernel modules required at first boot, might benefit from a user-provisioned infrastructure. Likewise, user-provisioned infrastructure is appropriate for disconnected OpenShift Container Platform deployments.

Keep in mind that, when it comes to making security enhancements and other configuration changes to OpenShift Container Platform, the goals should include:

- Keeping the underlying nodes as generic as possible. You want to be able to easily throw away and spin up similar nodes quickly and in prescriptive ways.
- Managing modifications to nodes through OpenShift Container Platform as much as possible, rather than making direct, one-off changes to the nodes.

In pursuit of those goals, most node changes should be done during installation through Ignition or later using MachineConfigs that are applied to sets of nodes by the Machine Config Operator. Examples of security-related configuration changes you can do in this way include:

- Adding kernel arguments
- Adding kernel modules
- Enabling support for FIPS cryptography
- Configuring disk encryption
- Configuring the chrony time service

Besides the Machine Config Operator, there are several other Operators available to configure OpenShift Container Platform infrastructure that are managed by the Cluster Version Operator (CVO). The CVO is able to automate many aspects of OpenShift Container Platform cluster updates.

# 2.3. HARDENING RHCOS

RHCOS was created and tuned to be deployed in OpenShift Container Platform with few if any changes needed to RHCOS nodes. Every organization adopting OpenShift Container Platform has its own requirements for system hardening. As a RHEL system with OpenShift-specific modifications and features added (such as Ignition, ostree, and a read-only /usr to provide limited immutability), RHCOS can be hardened just as you would any RHEL system. Differences lie in the ways you manage the hardening.

A key feature of OpenShift Container Platform and its Kubernetes engine is to be able to quickly scale applications and infrastructure up and down as needed. Unless it is unavoidable, you do not want to make direct changes to RHCOS by logging into a host and adding software or changing settings. You want to have the OpenShift Container Platform installer and control plane manage changes to RHCOS so new nodes can be spun up without manual intervention.

So, if you are setting out to harden RHCOS nodes in OpenShift Container Platform to meet your security needs, you should consider both what to harden and how to go about doing that hardening.

# 2.3.1. Choosing what to harden in RHCOS

The RHEL 8 Security Hardening guide describes how you should approach security for any RHEL system.

Use this guide to learn how to approach cryptography, evaluate vulnerabilities, and assess threats to various services. Likewise, you can learn how to scan for compliance standards, check file integrity, perform auditing, and encrypt storage devices.

With the knowledge of what features you want to harden, you can then decide how to harden them in RHCOS.

# 2.3.2. Choosing how to harden RHCOS

Direct modification of RHCOS systems in OpenShift Container Platform is discouraged. Instead, you should think of modifying systems in pools of nodes, such as worker nodes and control plane nodes (also known as the master nodes). When a new node is needed, in non-bare metal installs, you can request a new node of the type you want and it will be created from an RHCOS image plus the modifications you created earlier.

There are opportunities for modifying RHCOS before installation, during installation, and after the cluster is up and running.

# 2.3.2.1. Hardening before installation

For bare metal installations, you can add hardening features to RHCOS before beginning the OpenShift Container Platform installation. For example, you can add kernel options when you boot the RHCOS installer to turn security features on or off, such as SELinux booleans or various low-level settings, such as symmetric multithreading.

Although bare metal RHCOS installations are more difficult, they offer the opportunity of getting operating system changes in place before starting the OpenShift Container Platform installation. This can be important when you need to ensure that certain features, such as disk encryption or special networking settings, be set up at the earliest possible moment.



#### **WARNING**

Disabling SELinux on RHCOS nodes is not supported.

# 2.3.2.2. Hardening during installation

You can interrupt the OpenShift installation process and change Ignition configs. Through Ignition configs, you can add your own files and systemd services to the RHCOS nodes. You can also make some basic security-related changes to the **install-config.yaml** file used for installation. Contents added in this way are available at each node's first boot.

# 2.3.2.3. Hardening after the cluster is running

After the OpenShift Container Platform cluster is up and running, there are several ways to apply hardening features to RHCOS:

- Daemon set: If you need a service to run on every node, you can add that service with a Kubernetes DaemonSet object.
- Machine config: **MachineConfig** objects contain a subset of Ignition configs in the same format. By applying machine configs to all worker or control plane nodes, you can ensure that the next node of the same type that is added to the cluster has the same changes applied.

All of the features noted here are described in the OpenShift Container Platform product documentation.

#### Additional resources

- OpenShift Security Guide
- Choosing how to configure RHCOS
- Modifying Nodes
- Manually creating the installation configuration file
- Creating the Kubernetes manifest and Ignition config files
- Creating Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines using an ISO image
- Customizing nodes
- Adding kernel arguments to Nodes
- Installation configuration parameters see fips
- Support for FIPS cryptography
- RHEL core crypto components

# 2.4. CONTAINER IMAGE SIGNATURES

Red Hat delivers signatures for the images in the Red Hat Container Registries. Those signatures can be automatically verified when being pulled to OpenShift Container Platform 4 clusters by using the Machine Config Operator (MCO).

Quay.io serves most of the images that make up OpenShift Container Platform, and only the release image is signed. Release images refer to the approved OpenShift Container Platform images, offering a degree of protection against supply chain attacks. However, some extensions to OpenShift Container Platform, such as logging, monitoring, and service mesh, are shipped as Operators from the Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM). Those images ship from the Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog Container images registry.

To verify the integrity of those images between Red Hat registries and your infrastructure, enable signature verification.

# 2.4.1. Enabling signature verification for Red Hat Container Registries

Enabling container signature validation requires files that link the registry URLs to the sigstore and then specifies the keys which verify the images.

#### **Procedure**

- 1. Create the files that link the registry URLs to the sigstore and that specifies the key to verify the image.
  - Create the **policy.json** file:

```
$ cat > policy.json << EOF
 "default": [
    "type": "insecureAcceptAnything"
 "transports": {
  "docker": {
   "registry.access.redhat.com": [
      "type": "signedBy",
      "keyType": "GPGKeys",
      "keyPath": "/etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-redhat-release"
    }
    "registry.redhat.io": [
      "type": "signedBy",
      "keyType": "GPGKeys",
      "keyPath": "/etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-redhat-release"
   ]
  "docker-daemon": {
   "": [
      "type": "insecureAcceptAnything"
EOF
```

• Create the **registry.access.redhat.com.yaml** file:

```
$ cat <<EOF > registry.access.redhat.com.yaml
docker:
   registry.access.redhat.com:
        sigstore: https://access.redhat.com/webassets/docker/content/sigstore
EOF
```

• Create the **registry.redhat.io.yaml** file:

```
$ cat <<EOF > registry.redhat.io.yaml
docker:
    registry.redhat.io:
        sigstore: https://registry.redhat.io/containers/sigstore
EOF
```

2. Set the files with a **base64** encode format that will be used for the machine config template:

```
$ export ARC_REG=$( cat registry.access.redhat.com.yaml | base64 -w0 ) $ export RIO_REG=$( cat registry.redhat.io.yaml | base64 -w0 ) $ export POLICY_CONFIG=$( cat policy.json | base64 -w0 )
```

3. Create a machine config that writes the exported files to disk on the worker nodes:

```
$ cat > 51-worker-rh-registry-trust.yaml << EOF
apiVersion: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1
kind: MachineConfig
metadata:
 labels:
  machineconfiguration.openshift.io/role: worker
 name: 51-worker-rh-registry-trust
spec:
 config:
  ignition:
   config: {}
   security:
    tls: {}
   timeouts: {}
   version: 2.2.0
  networkd: {}
  passwd: {}
  storage:
   files:
   - contents:
      source: data:text/plain;charset=utf-8;base64,${ARC_REG}
      verification: {}
     filesystem: root
     mode: 420
     path: /etc/containers/registries.d/registry.access.redhat.com.yaml
   - contents:
      source: data:text/plain;charset=utf-8;base64,${RIO_REG}
      verification: {}
     filesystem: root
     mode: 420
     path: /etc/containers/registries.d/registry.redhat.io.yaml
   - contents:
      source: data:text/plain;charset=utf-8;base64,${POLICY_CONFIG}
      verification: {}
     filesystem: root
     mode: 420
     path: /etc/containers/policy.json
 osImageURL: ""
EOF
```

4. Apply the created machine config:

\$ oc apply -f 51-worker-rh-registry-trust.yaml

5. Create a machine config, which writes the exported files to disk on the master nodes:

```
$ cat > 51-master-rh-registry-trust.yaml <<EOF
apiVersion: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1
kind: MachineConfig
metadata:
 labels:
  machineconfiguration.openshift.io/role: master
 name: 51-master-rh-registry-trust
spec:
 config:
  ignition:
   config: {}
   security:
    tls: {}
   timeouts: {}
   version: 2.2.0
  networkd: {}
  passwd: {}
  storage:
   files:
   - contents:
      source: data:text/plain;charset=utf-8;base64,${ARC REG}
      verification: {}
     filesystem: root
     mode: 420
     path: /etc/containers/registries.d/registry.access.redhat.com.yaml
   - contents:
      source: data:text/plain;charset=utf-8;base64,${RIO_REG}
      verification: {}
     filesystem: root
     mode: 420
     path: /etc/containers/registries.d/registry.redhat.io.yaml
   - contents:
      source: data:text/plain;charset=utf-8;base64,${POLICY_CONFIG}
      verification: {}
     filesystem: root
     mode: 420
     path: /etc/containers/policy.json
 oslmageURL: ""
EOF
```

6. Apply the master machine config changes to the cluster:

\$ oc apply -f 51-master-rh-registry-trust.yaml

# 2.4.2. Verifying the signature verification configuration

After you apply the machine configs to the cluster, the Machine Config Controller detects the new **MachineConfig** object and generates a new **rendered-worker-<hash>** version.

#### **Prerequisites**

• You enabled signature verification by using a machine config file.

#### **Procedure**

1. On the command line, run the following command to display information about a desired worker:

\$ oc describe machineconfigpool/worker

# Example output of initial worker monitoring

Name: worker

Namespace:

Labels: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/mco-built-in=

Annotations: <none>

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfigPool

Metadata:

Creation Timestamp: 2019-12-19T02:02:12Z

Generation: 3

Resource Version: 16229

Self Link: /apis/machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1/machineconfigpools/worker

UID: 92697796-2203-11ea-b48c-fa163e3940e5

Spec:

Configuration:

Name: rendered-worker-f6819366eb455a401c42f8d96ab25c02

Source:

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig Name: 00-worker

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig

Name: 01-worker-container-runtime

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig
Name: 01-worker-kubelet

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig

Name: 51-worker-rh-registry-trust

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig

Name: 99-worker-92697796-2203-11ea-b48c-fa163e3940e5-registries

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig Name: 99-worker-ssh Machine Config Selector:

Match Labels:

machineconfiguration.openshift.io/role: worker

Node Selector: Match Labels:

node-role.kubernetes.io/worker: Paused: false

Status: Conditions:

Last Transition Time: 2019-12-19T02:03:27Z

Message:

Reason:

Status: False

Type: RenderDegraded

Last Transition Time: 2019-12-19T02:03:43Z

Message: Reason:

Status: False

Type: NodeDegraded

Last Transition Time: 2019-12-19T02:03:43Z

Message: Reason:

Status: False Type: Degraded

Last Transition Time: 2019-12-19T02:28:23Z

Message: Reason:

Status: False Type: Updated

Last Transition Time: 2019-12-19T02:28:23Z

Message: All nodes are updating to rendered-worker-

f6819366eb455a401c42f8d96ab25c02

Reason:

Status: True Type: Updating

Configuration:

Name: rendered-worker-d9b3f4ffcfd65c30dcf591a0e8cf9b2e

Source:

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig Name: 00-worker

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig

Name: 01-worker-container-runtime

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig
Name: 01-worker-kubelet

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig

Name: 99-worker-92697796-2203-11ea-b48c-fa163e3940e5-registries

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig
Name: 99-worker-ssh
Degraded Machine Count: 0
Machine Count: 1
Observed Generation: 3
Ready Machine Count: 0

Unavailable Machine Count: 1
Updated Machine Count: 0
Events: <none>

2. Run the oc describe command again:

\$ oc describe machineconfigpool/worker

Example output after the worker is updated

. . .

Last Transition Time: 2019-12-19T04:53:09Z

Message: All nodes are updated with rendered-worker-

f6819366eb455a401c42f8d96ab25c02

Reason:

Status: True Type: Updated

Last Transition Time: 2019-12-19T04:53:09Z

Message: Reason:

Status: False Type: Updating

Configuration:

Name: rendered-worker-f6819366eb455a401c42f8d96ab25c02

Source:

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig Name: 00-worker

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig

Name: 01-worker-container-runtime

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig
Name: 01-worker-kubelet

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig

Name: 51-worker-rh-registry-trust

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig

Name: 99-worker-92697796-2203-11ea-b48c-fa163e3940e5-registries

API Version: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1

Kind: MachineConfig
Name: 99-worker-ssh
Degraded Machine Count: 0
Machine Count: 3
Observed Generation: 4
Ready Machine Count: 3
Unavailable Machine Count: 0
Updated Machine Count: 3

...



#### **NOTE**

The **Observed Generation** parameter shows an increased count based on the generation of the controller-produced configuration. This controller updates this value even if it fails to process the specification and generate a revision. The **Configuration Source** value points to the **51-worker-rh-registry-trust** configuration.

3. Confirm that the **policy.json** file exists with the following command:

\$ oc debug node/<node> -- chroot /host cat /etc/containers/policy.json

#### **Example output**

```
Starting pod/<node>-debug ...
To use host binaries, run `chroot /host`
 "default": [
   "type": "insecureAcceptAnything"
],
 "transports": {
  "docker": {
   "registry.access.redhat.com": [
      "type": "signedBy",
     "keyType": "GPGKeys",
     "keyPath": "/etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-redhat-release"
    }
   ],
   "registry.redhat.io": [
      "type": "signedBy",
     "keyType": "GPGKeys",
     "keyPath": "/etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-redhat-release"
   ]
  "docker-daemon": {
      "type": "insecureAcceptAnything"
```

4. Confirm that the registry.redhat.io.yaml file exists with the following command:

```
$ oc debug node/<node> -- chroot /host cat /etc/containers/registries.d/registry.redhat.io.yaml
```

# **Example output**

```
Starting pod/<node>-debug ...
To use host binaries, run `chroot /host`
docker:
registry.redhat.io:
sigstore: https://registry.redhat.io/containers/sigstore
```

5. Confirm that the **registry.access.redhat.com.yaml** file exists with the following command:

```
$ oc debug node/<node> -- chroot /host cat /etc/containers/registries.d/registry.access.redhat.com.yaml
```

# **Example output**

Starting pod/<node>-debug ...
To use host binaries, run `chroot /host` docker:

registry.access.redhat.com:

sigstore: https://access.redhat.com/webassets/docker/content/sigstore

#### 2.4.3. Additional resources

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# 2.5. UNDERSTANDING COMPLIANCE

For many OpenShift Container Platform customers, regulatory readiness, or compliance, on some level is required before any systems can be put into production. That regulatory readiness can be imposed by national standards, industry standards or the organization's corporate governance framework.

# 2.5.1. Understanding compliance and risk management

FIPS compliance is one of the most critical components required in highly secure environments, to ensure that only supported cryptographic technologies are allowed on nodes.



#### **IMPORTANT**

The use of FIPS Validated / Modules in Process cryptographic libraries is only supported on OpenShift Container Platform deployments on the **x86 64** architecture.

To understand Red Hat's view of OpenShift Container Platform compliance frameworks, refer to the Risk Management and Regulatory Readiness chapter of the OpenShift Security Guide Book.

#### Additional resources

Installing a cluster in FIPS mode

# 2.6. SECURING CONTAINER CONTENT

To ensure the security of the content inside your containers you need to start with trusted base images, such as Red Hat Universal Base Images, and add trusted software. To check the ongoing security of your container images, there are both Red Hat and third-party tools for scanning images.

# 2.6.1. Securing inside the container

Applications and infrastructures are composed of readily available components, many of which are open source packages such as, the Linux operating system, JBoss Web Server, PostgreSQL, and Node.js.

Containerized versions of these packages are also available. However, you need to know where the packages originally came from, what versions are used, who built them, and whether there is any malicious code inside them.

Some questions to answer include:

- Will what is inside the containers compromise your infrastructure?
- Are there known vulnerabilities in the application layer?

• Are the runtime and operating system layers current?

By building your containers from Red Hat Universal Base Images (UBI) you are assured of a foundation for your container images that consists of the same RPM-packaged software that is included in Red Hat Enterprise Linux. No subscriptions are required to either use or redistribute UBI images.

To assure ongoing security of the containers themselves, security scanning features, used directly from RHEL or added to OpenShift Container Platform, can alert you when an image you are using has vulnerabilities. OpenSCAP image scanning is available in RHEL and the Red Hat Quay Container Security Operator can be added to check container images used in OpenShift Container Platform.

# 2.6.2. Creating redistributable images with UBI

To create containerized applications, you typically start with a trusted base image that offers the components that are usually provided by the operating system. These include the libraries, utilities, and other features the application expects to see in the operating system's file system.

Red Hat Universal Base Images (UBI) were created to encourage anyone building their own containers to start with one that is made entirely from Red Hat Enterprise Linux rpm packages and other content. These UBI images are updated regularly to keep up with security patches and free to use and redistribute with container images built to include your own software.

Search the Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog to both find and check the health of different UBI images. As someone creating secure container images, you might be interested in these two general types of UBI images:

- **UBI**: There are standard UBI images for RHEL 7 and 8 ( **ubi7/ubi** and **ubi8/ubi**), as well as minimal images based on those systems (**ubi7/ubi-minimal** and **ubi8/ubi-mimimal**). All of these images are preconfigured to point to free repositories of RHEL software that you can add to the container images you build, using standard **yum** and **dnf** commands. Red Hat encourages people to use these images on other distributions, such as Fedora and Ubuntu.
- Red Hat Software Collections Search the Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog for rhscl/ to find images created to use as base images for specific types of applications. For example, there are Apache httpd (rhscl/httpd-\*), Python (rhscl/python-\*), Ruby (rhscl/ruby-\*), Node.js (rhscl/nodejs-\*) and Perl (rhscl/perl-\*) rhscl images.

Keep in mind that while UBI images are freely available and redistributable, Red Hat support for these images is only available through Red Hat product subscriptions.

See Using Red Hat Universal Base Images in the Red Hat Enterprise Linux documentation for information on how to use and build on standard, minimal and init UBI images.

# 2.6.3. Security scanning in RHEL

For Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) systems, OpenSCAP scanning is available from the **openscap-utils** package. In RHEL, you can use the **openscap-podman** command to scan images for vulnerabilities. See Scanning containers and container images for vulnerabilities in the Red Hat Enterprise Linux documentation.

OpenShift Container Platform enables you to leverage RHEL scanners with your CI/CD process. For example, you can integrate static code analysis tools that test for security flaws in your source code and software composition analysis tools that identify open source libraries in order to provide metadata on those libraries such as known vulnerabilities.

# 2.6.3.1. Scanning OpenShift images

For the container images that are running in OpenShift Container Platform and are pulled from Red Hat Quay registries, you can use an Operator to list the vulnerabilities of those images. The Red Hat Quay Container Security Operator can be added to OpenShift Container Platform to provide vulnerability reporting for images added to selected namespaces.

Container image scanning for Red Hat Quay is performed by the Clair security scanner. In Red Hat Quay, Clair can search for and report vulnerabilities in images built from RHEL, CentOS, Oracle, Alpine, Debian, and Ubuntu operating system software.

# 2.6.4. Integrating external scanning

OpenShift Container Platform makes use of object annotations to extend functionality. External tools, such as vulnerability scanners, can annotate image objects with metadata to summarize results and control pod execution. This section describes the recognized format of this annotation so it can be reliably used in consoles to display useful data to users.

# 2.6.4.1. Image metadata

There are different types of image quality data, including package vulnerabilities and open source software (OSS) license compliance. Additionally, there may be more than one provider of this metadata. To that end, the following annotation format has been reserved:

quality.images.openshift.io/<qualityType>.<providerId>: {}

Table 2.1. Annotation key format

Component	Description	Acceptable values
qualityType	Metadata type	vulnerability license operations policy
providerId	Provider ID string	openscap redhatcatalog redhatinsights blackduck jfrog

#### 2.6.4.1.1. Example annotation keys

quality.images.openshift.io/vulnerability.blackduck: {} quality.images.openshift.io/vulnerability.jfrog: {} quality.images.openshift.io/license.blackduck: {} quality.images.openshift.io/vulnerability.openscap: {}

The value of the image quality annotation is structured data that must adhere to the following format:

#### Table 2.2. Annotation value format

Field	Required?	Description	Туре
name	Yes	Provider display name	String
timestamp	Yes	Scan timestamp	String
description	No	Short description	String
reference	Yes	URL of information source or more details. Required so user may validate the data.	String
scannerVersion	No	Scanner version	String
compliant	No	Compliance pass or fail	Boolean
summary	No	Summary of issues found	List (see table below)

The **summary** field must adhere to the following format:

Table 2.3. Summary field value format

Field	Description	Туре
label	Display label for component (for example, "critical," "important," "moderate," "low," or "health")	String
data	Data for this component (for example, count of vulnerabilities found or score)	String
severityIndex	Component index allowing for ordering and assigning graphical representation. The value is range <b>03</b> where <b>0</b> = low.	Integer
reference	URL of information source or more details. Optional.	String

# 2.6.4.1.2. Example annotation values

This example shows an OpenSCAP annotation for an image with vulnerability summary data and a compliance boolean:

# OpenSCAP annotation

```
{
  "name": "OpenSCAP",
  "description": "OpenSCAP vulnerability score",
  "timestamp": "2016-09-08T05:04:46Z",
  "reference": "https://www.open-scap.org/930492",
  "compliant": true,
  "scannerVersion": "1.2",
  "summary": [
      { "label": "critical", "data": "4", "severityIndex": 3, "reference": null },
      { "label": "important", "data": "12", "severityIndex": 2, "reference": null },
      { "label": "moderate", "data": "8", "severityIndex": 1, "reference": null },
      { "label": "low", "data": "26", "severityIndex": 0, "reference": null }
    ]
}
```

This example shows the Container images section of the Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog annotation for an image with health index data with an external URL for additional details:

# **Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog annotation**

```
{
  "name": "Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog",
  "description": "Container health index",
  "timestamp": "2016-09-08T05:04:46Z",
  "reference": "https://access.redhat.com/errata/RHBA-2016:1566",
  "compliant": null,
  "scannerVersion": "1.2",
  "summary": [
      { "label": "Health index", "data": "B", "severityIndex": 1, "reference": null }
    ]
}
```

# 2.6.4.2. Annotating image objects

While image stream objects are what an end user of OpenShift Container Platform operates against, image objects are annotated with security metadata. Image objects are cluster-scoped, pointing to a single image that may be referenced by many image streams and tags.

# 2.6.4.2.1. Example annotate CLI command

Replace <image> with an image digest, for example sha256:401e359e0f45bfdcf004e258b72e253fd07fba8cc5c6f2ed4f4608fb119ecc2:

```
$ oc annotate image <image> \
   quality.images.openshift.io/vulnerability.redhatcatalog='{ \
      "name": "Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog", \
      "description": "Container health index", \
      "timestamp": "2020-06-01T05:04:46Z", \
      "compliant": null, \
      "scannerVersion": "1.2", \
      "reference": "https://access.redhat.com/errata/RHBA-2020:2347", \
      "summary": "[ \
      { "label": "Health index", "data": "B", "severityIndex": 1, "reference": null } ]" }'
```

# 2.6.4.3. Controlling pod execution

Use the **images.openshift.io/deny-execution** image policy to programmatically control if an image can be run.

# 2.6.4.3.1. Example annotation

annotations: images.openshift.io/deny-execution: true

# 2.6.4.4. Integration reference

In most cases, external tools such as vulnerability scanners develop a script or plug-in that watches for image updates, performs scanning, and annotates the associated image object with the results. Typically this automation calls the OpenShift Container Platform 4.6 REST APIs to write the annotation. See OpenShift Container Platform REST APIs for general information on the REST APIs.

#### 2.6.4.4.1. Example REST API call

The following example call using **curl** overrides the value of the annotation. Be sure to replace the values for **<token>**, **<openshift\_server>**, **<image\_id>**, and **<image\_annotation>**.

#### Patch API call

```
$ curl -X PATCH \
  -H "Authorization: Bearer <token>" \
  -H "Content-Type: application/merge-patch+json" \
  https://<openshift_server>:6443/apis/image.openshift.io/v1/images/<image_id> \
  --data '{ <image_annotation> }'
```

The following is an example of **PATCH** payload data:

#### Patch call data

```
{
"metadata": {
   "annotations": {
     "quality.images.openshift.io/vulnerability.redhatcatalog":
     "{ 'name': 'Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog', 'description': 'Container health index', 'timestamp': '2020-06-01T05:04:46Z', 'compliant': null, 'reference': 'https://access.redhat.com/errata/RHBA-2020:2347', 'summary': [{'label': 'Health index', 'data': '4', 'severityIndex': 1, 'reference': null}] }"
    }
}
```

#### Additional resources

Image stream objects

# 2.7. USING CONTAINER REGISTRIES SECURELY

Container registries store container images to:

- Make images accessible to others
- Organize images into repositories that can include multiple versions of an image
- Optionally limit access to images, based on different authentication methods, or make them publicly available

There are public container registries, such as Quay.io and Docker Hub where many people and organizations share their images. The Red Hat Registry offers supported Red Hat and partner images, while the Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog offers detailed descriptions and health checks for those images. To manage your own registry, you could purchase a container registry such as Red Hat Quay.

From a security standpoint, some registries provide special features to check and improve the health of your containers. For example, Red Hat Quay offers container vulnerability scanning with Clair security scanner, build triggers to automatically rebuild images when source code changes in GitHub and other locations, and the ability to use role-based access control (RBAC) to secure access to images.

# 2.7.1. Knowing where containers come from?

There are tools you can use to scan and track the contents of your downloaded and deployed container images. However, there are many public sources of container images. When using public container registries, you can add a layer of protection by using trusted sources.

# 2.7.2. Immutable and certified containers

Consuming security updates is particularly important when managing *immutable containers*. Immutable containers are containers that will never be changed while running. When you deploy immutable containers, you do not step into the running container to replace one or more binaries. From an operational standpoint, you rebuild and redeploy an updated container image to replace a container instead of changing it.

Red Hat certified images are:

- Free of known vulnerabilities in the platform components or layers
- Compatible across the RHEL platforms, from bare metal to cloud
- Supported by Red Hat

The list of known vulnerabilities is constantly evolving, so you must track the contents of your deployed container images, as well as newly downloaded images, over time. You can use Red Hat Security Advisories (RHSAs) to alert you to any newly discovered issues in Red Hat certified container images, and direct you to the updated image. Alternatively, you can go to the Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog to look up that and other security-related issues for each Red Hat image.

# 2.7.3. Getting containers from Red Hat Registry and Ecosystem Catalog

Red Hat lists certified container images for Red Hat products and partner offerings from the Container Images section of the Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog. From that catalog, you can see details of each image, including CVE, software packages listings, and health scores.

Red Hat images are actually stored in what is referred to as the *Red Hat Registry*, which is represented by a public container registry (**registry.access.redhat.com**) and an authenticated registry (**registry.redhat.io**). Both include basically the same set of container images, with **registry.redhat.io** including some additional images that require authentication with Red Hat subscription credentials.

Container content is monitored for vulnerabilities by Red Hat and updated regularly. When Red Hat releases security updates, such as fixes to *glibc*, DROWN, or Dirty Cow, any affected container images are also rebuilt and pushed to the Red Hat Registry.

Red Hat uses a **health index** to reflect the security risk for each container provided through the Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog. Because containers consume software provided by Red Hat and the errata process, old, stale containers are insecure whereas new, fresh containers are more secure.

To illustrate the age of containers, the Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog uses a grading system. A freshness grade is a measure of the oldest and most severe security errata available for an image. "A" is more up to date than "F". See Container Health Index grades as used inside the Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog for more details on this grading system.

Refer to the Red Hat Product Security Center for details on security updates and vulnerabilities related to Red Hat software. Check out Red Hat Security Advisories to search for specific advisories and CVEs.

# 2.7.4. OpenShift Container Registry

OpenShift Container Platform includes the *OpenShift Container Registry*, a private registry running as an integrated component of the platform that you can use to manage your container images. The OpenShift Container Registry provides role-based access controls that allow you to manage who can pull and push which container images.

OpenShift Container Platform also supports integration with other private registries that you might already be using, such as Red Hat Quay.

#### Additional resources

Integrated OpenShift Container Platform registry

# 2.7.5. Storing containers using Red Hat Quay

Red Hat Quay is an enterprise-quality container registry product from Red Hat. Development for Red Hat Quay is done through the upstream Project Quay. Red Hat Quay is available to deploy on-premise or through the hosted version of Red Hat Quay at Quay.io.

Security-related features of Red Hat Quay include:

- **Time machine**: Allows images with older tags to expire after a set period of time or based on a user-selected expiration time.
- Repository mirroring: Lets you mirror other registries for security reasons, such hosting a public repository on Red Hat Quay behind a company firewall, or for performance reasons, to keep registries closer to where they are used.
- Action log storage: Save Red Hat Quay logging output to Elasticsearch storage to allow for later search and analysis.
- Clair security scanning: Scan images against a variety of Linux vulnerability databases, based on the origins of each container image.
- Internal authentication: Use the default local database to handle RBAC authentication to Red Hat Quay or choose from LDAP, Keystone (OpenStack), JWT Custom Authentication, or External Application Token authentication.

- External authorization (OAuth): Allow authorization to Red Hat Quay from GitHub, GitHub Enterprise, or Google Authentication.
- Access settings: Generate tokens to allow access to Red Hat Quay from docker, rkt, anonymous access, user-created accounts, encrypted client passwords, or prefix username autocompletion.

Ongoing integration of Red Hat Quay with OpenShift Container Platform continues, with several OpenShift Container Platform Operators of particular interest. The Quay Bridge Operator lets you replace the internal OpenShift Container Platform registry with Red Hat Quay. The Quay Red Hat Quay Container Security Operator lets you check vulnerabilities of images running in OpenShift Container Platform that were pulled from Red Hat Quay registries.

## 2.8. SECURING THE BUILD PROCESS

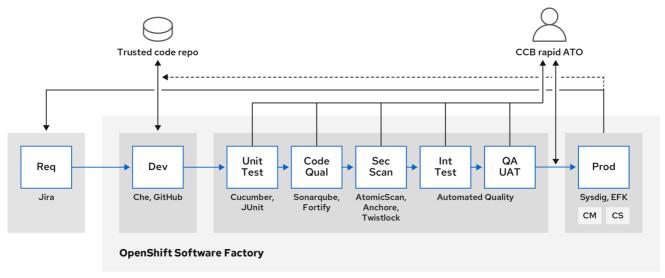
In a container environment, the software build process is the stage in the life cycle where application code is integrated with the required runtime libraries. Managing this build process is key to securing the software stack.

# 2.8.1. Building once, deploying everywhere

Using OpenShift Container Platform as the standard platform for container builds enables you to guarantee the security of the build environment. Adhering to a "build once, deploy everywhere" philosophy ensures that the product of the build process is exactly what is deployed in production.

It is also important to maintain the immutability of your containers. You should not patch running containers, but rebuild and redeploy them.

As your software moves through the stages of building, testing, and production, it is important that the tools making up your software supply chain be trusted. The following figure illustrates the process and tools that could be incorporated into a trusted software supply chain for containerized software:



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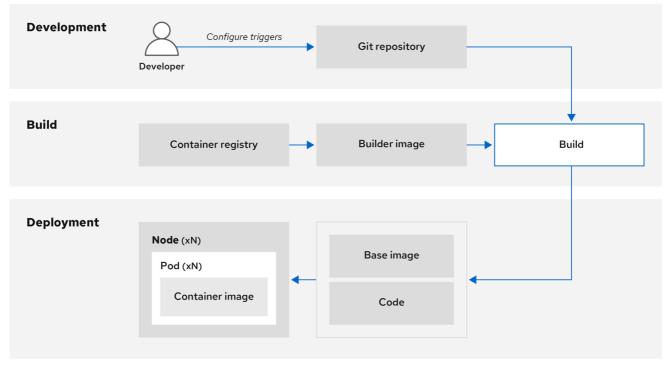
OpenShift Container Platform can be integrated with trusted code repositories (such as GitHub) and development platforms (such as Che) for creating and managing secure code. Unit testing could rely on Cucumber and JUnit. You could inspect your containers for vulnerabilities and compliance issues with Anchore or Twistlock, and use image scanning tools such as AtomicScan or Clair. Tools such as Sysdig could provide ongoing monitoring of your containerized applications.

# 2.8.2. Managing builds

You can use Source-to-Image (S2I) to combine source code and base images. *Builder images* make use of S2I to enable your development and operations teams to collaborate on a reproducible build environment. With Red Hat S2I images available as Universal Base Image (UBI) images, you can now freely redistribute your software with base images built from real RHEL RPM packages. Red Hat has removed subscription restrictions to allow this.

When developers commit code with Git for an application using build images, OpenShift Container Platform can perform the following functions:

- Trigger, either by using webhooks on the code repository or other automated continuous integration (CI) process, to automatically assemble a new image from available artifacts, the S2I builder image, and the newly committed code.
- Automatically deploy the newly built image for testing.
- Promote the tested image to production where it can be automatically deployed using a CI process.



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You can use the integrated OpenShift Container Registry to manage access to final images. Both S2I and native build images are automatically pushed to your OpenShift Container Registry.

In addition to the included Jenkins for CI, you can also integrate your own build and CI environment with OpenShift Container Platform using RESTful APIs, as well as use any API-compliant image registry.

# 2.8.3. Securing inputs during builds

In some scenarios, build operations require credentials to access dependent resources, but it is undesirable for those credentials to be available in the final application image produced by the build. You can define input secrets for this purpose.

For example, when building a Node.js application, you can set up your private mirror for Node.js modules. In order to download modules from that private mirror, you must supply a custom **.npmrc** file for the build that contains a URL, user name, and password. For security reasons, you do not want to expose your credentials in the application image.

Using this example scenario, you can add an input secret to a new **BuildConfig** object:

1. Create the secret, if it does not exist:

\$ oc create secret generic secret-npmrc --from-file=.npmrc=~/.npmrc

This creates a new secret named **secret-npmrc**, which contains the base64 encoded content of the ~/.npmrc file.

2. Add the secret to the **source** section in the existing **BuildConfig** object:

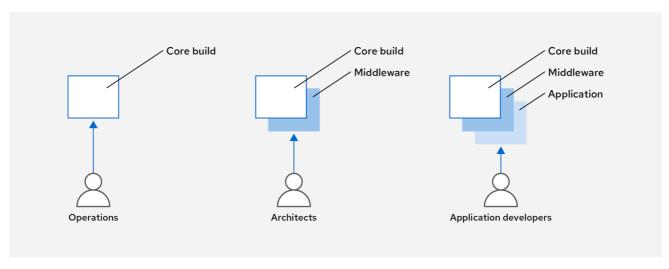
source:
git:
uri: https://github.com/sclorg/nodejs-ex.git
secrets:
- destinationDir: .
secret:
name: secret-npmrc

3. To include the secret in a new **BuildConfig** object, run the following command:

\$ oc new-build \
 openshift/nodejs-010-centos7~https://github.com/sclorg/nodejs-ex.git \
 --build-secret secret-npmrc

# 2.8.4. Designing your build process

You can design your container image management and build process to use container layers so that you can separate control.



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For example, an operations team manages base images, while architects manage middleware, runtimes, databases, and other solutions. Developers can then focus on application layers and focus on writing code.

Because new vulnerabilities are identified daily, you need to proactively check container content over time. To do this, you should integrate automated security testing into your build or CI process. For example:

- SAST / DAST Static and Dynamic security testing tools.
- Scanners for real-time checking against known vulnerabilities. Tools like these catalog the open source packages in your container, notify you of any known vulnerabilities, and update you when new vulnerabilities are discovered in previously scanned packages.

Your CI process should include policies that flag builds with issues discovered by security scans so that your team can take appropriate action to address those issues. You should sign your custom built containers to ensure that nothing is tampered with between build and deployment.

Using GitOps methodology, you can use the same CI/CD mechanisms to manage not only your application configurations, but also your OpenShift Container Platform infrastructure.

# 2.8.5. Building Knative serverless applications

Relying on Kubernetes and Kourier, you can build, deploy, and manage serverless applications by using OpenShift Serverless in OpenShift Container Platform.

As with other builds, you can use S2I images to build your containers, then serve them using Knative services. View Knative application builds through the **Topology** view of the OpenShift Container Platform web console.

## 2.8.6. Additional resources

- Understanding image builds
- Triggering and modifying builds
- Creating build inputs
- Input secrets and config maps
- The CI/CD methodology and practice
- About OpenShift Serverless
- Viewing application composition using the Topology view

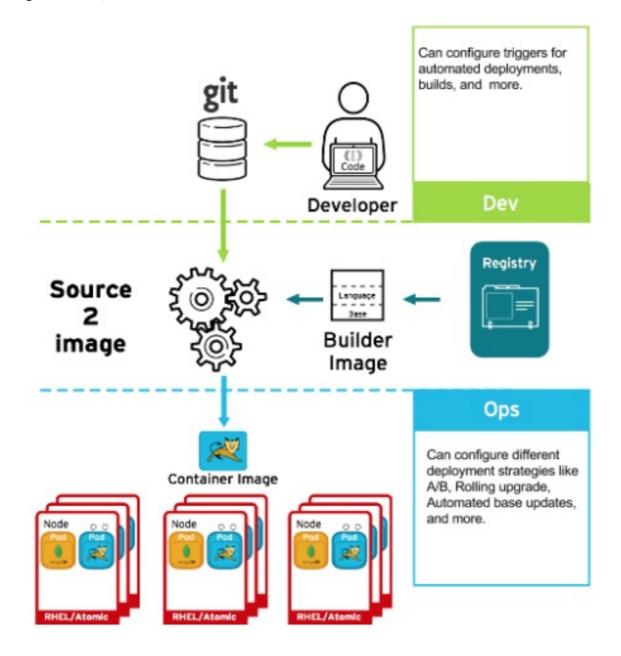
## 2.9. DEPLOYING CONTAINERS

You can use a variety of techniques to make sure that the containers you deploy hold the latest production-quality content and that they have not been tampered with. These techniques include setting up build triggers to incorporate the latest code and using signatures to ensure that the container comes from a trusted source and has not been modified.

# 2.9.1. Controlling container deployments with triggers

If something happens during the build process, or if a vulnerability is discovered after an image has been

deployed, you can use tooling for automated, policy-based deployment to remediate. You can use triggers to rebuild and replace images, ensuring the immutable containers process, instead of patching running containers, which is not recommended.



For example, you build an application using three container image layers: core, middleware, and applications. An issue is discovered in the core image and that image is rebuilt. After the build is complete, the image is pushed to your OpenShift Container Registry. OpenShift Container Platform detects that the image has changed and automatically rebuilds and deploys the application image, based on the defined triggers. This change incorporates the fixed libraries and ensures that the production code is identical to the most current image.

You can use the **oc set triggers** command to set a deployment trigger. For example, to set a trigger for a deployment called deployment-example:

\$ oc set triggers deploy/deployment-example \

- --from-image=example:latest \
- --containers=web

# 2.9.2. Controlling what image sources can be deployed

It is important that the intended images are actually being deployed, that the images including the contained content are from trusted sources, and they have not been altered. Cryptographic signing provides this assurance. OpenShift Container Platform enables cluster administrators to apply security policy that is broad or narrow, reflecting deployment environment and security requirements. Two parameters define this policy:

- one or more registries, with optional project namespace
- trust type, such as accept, reject, or require public key(s)

You can use these policy parameters to allow, deny, or require a trust relationship for entire registries, parts of registries, or individual images. Using trusted public keys, you can ensure that the source is cryptographically verified. The policy rules apply to nodes. Policy may be applied uniformly across all nodes or targeted for different node workloads (for example, build, zone, or environment).

## Example image signature policy file

```
"default": [{"type": "reject"}],
"transports": {
  "docker": {
     "access.redhat.com": [
       {
          "type": "signedBy",
          "keyType": "GPGKeys",
          "keyPath": "/etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-redhat-release"
       }
     1
  "atomic": {
     "172.30.1.1:5000/openshift": [
       {
          "type": "signedBy",
          "keyType": "GPGKeys",
          "keyPath": "/etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-redhat-release"
       }
     ],
     "172.30.1.1:5000/production": [
          "type": "signedBy",
          "keyType": "GPGKeys",
          "keyPath": "/etc/pki/example.com/pubkey"
       }
     ],
     "172.30.1.1:5000": [{"type": "reject"}]
  }
```

The policy can be saved onto a node as /etc/containers/policy.json. Saving this file to a node is best accomplished using a new **MachineConfig** object. This example enforces the following rules:

 Require images from the Red Hat Registry (registry.access.redhat.com) to be signed by the Red Hat public key.

- Require images from your OpenShift Container Registry in the openshift namespace to be signed by the Red Hat public key.
- Require images from your OpenShift Container Registry in the **production** namespace to be signed by the public key for **example.com**.
- Reject all other registries not specified by the global **default** definition.

# 2.9.3. Using signature transports

A signature transport is a way to store and retrieve the binary signature blob. There are two types of signature transports.

- atomic: Managed by the OpenShift Container Platform API.
- **docker**: Served as a local file or by a web server.

The OpenShift Container Platform API manages signatures that use the **atomic** transport type. You must store the images that use this signature type in your OpenShift Container Registry. Because the docker/distribution **extensions** API auto-discovers the image signature endpoint, no additional configuration is required.

Signatures that use the **docker** transport type are served by local file or web server. These signatures are more flexible; you can serve images from any container image registry and use an independent server to deliver binary signatures.

However, the **docker** transport type requires additional configuration. You must configure the nodes with the URI of the signature server by placing arbitrarily-named YAML files into a directory on the host system, /etc/containers/registries.d by default. The YAML configuration files contain a registry URI and a signature server URI, or *sigstore*:

## Example registries.d file

docker:

access.redhat.com:

sigstore: https://access.redhat.com/webassets/docker/content/sigstore

In this example, the Red Hat Registry, **access.redhat.com**, is the signature server that provides signatures for the **docker** transport type. Its URI is defined in the **sigstore** parameter. You might name this file /etc/containers/registries.d/redhat.com.yaml and use the Machine Config Operator to automatically place the file on each node in your cluster. No service restart is required since policy and **registries.d** files are dynamically loaded by the container runtime.

# 2.9.4. Creating secrets and config maps

The **Secret** object type provides a mechanism to hold sensitive information such as passwords, OpenShift Container Platform client configuration files, **dockercfg** files, and private source repository credentials. Secrets decouple sensitive content from pods. You can mount secrets into containers using a volume plug-in or the system can use secrets to perform actions on behalf of a pod.

For example, to add a secret to your deployment configuration so that it can access a private image repository, do the following:

## **Procedure**

- 1. Log in to the OpenShift Container Platform web console.
- 2. Create a new project.
- Navigate to Resources → Secrets and create a new secret. Set Secret Type to Image Secret
  and Authentication Type to Image Registry Credentials to enter credentials for accessing a
  private image repository.
- 4. When creating a deployment configuration (for example, from the **Add to Project** → **Deploy Image** page), set the **Pull Secret** to your new secret.

Config maps are similar to secrets, but are designed to support working with strings that do not contain sensitive information. The **ConfigMap** object holds key-value pairs of configuration data that can be consumed in pods or used to store configuration data for system components such as controllers.

# 2.9.5. Automating continuous deployment

You can integrate your own continuous deployment (CD) tooling with OpenShift Container Platform.

By leveraging CI/CD and OpenShift Container Platform, you can automate the process of rebuilding the application to incorporate the latest fixes, testing, and ensuring that it is deployed everywhere within the environment.

#### Additional resources

Input secrets and config maps

## 2.10. SECURING THE CONTAINER PLATFORM

OpenShift Container Platform and Kubernetes APIs are key to automating container management at scale. APIs are used to:

- Validate and configure the data for pods, services, and replication controllers.
- Perform project validation on incoming requests and invoke triggers on other major system components.

Security-related features in OpenShift Container Platform that are based on Kubernetes include:

- Multitenancy, which combines Role-Based Access Controls and network policies to isolate containers at multiple levels.
- Admission plug-ins, which form boundaries between an API and those making requests to the API.

OpenShift Container Platform uses Operators to automate and simplify the management of Kubernetes-level security features.

## 2.10.1. Isolating containers with multitenancy

Multitenancy allows applications on an OpenShift Container Platform cluster that are owned by multiple users, and run across multiple hosts and namespaces, to remain isolated from each other and from outside attacks. You obtain multitenancy by applying role-based access control (RBAC) to Kubernetes namespaces.

In Kubernetes, *namespaces* are areas where applications can run in ways that are separate from other applications. OpenShift Container Platform uses and extends namespaces by adding extra annotations, including MCS labeling in SELinux, and identifying these extended namespaces as *projects*. Within the scope of a project, users can maintain their own cluster resources, including service accounts, policies, constraints, and various other objects.

RBAC objects are assigned to projects to authorize selected users to have access to those projects. That authorization takes the form of rules, roles, and bindings:

- Rules define what a user can create or access in a project.
- Roles are collections of rules that you can bind to selected users or groups.
- Bindings define the association between users or groups and roles.

Local RBAC roles and bindings attach a user or group to a particular project. Cluster RBAC can attach cluster-wide roles and bindings to all projects in a cluster. There are default cluster roles that can be assigned to provide **admin**, **basic-user**, **cluster-admin**, and **cluster-status** access.

# 2.10.2. Protecting control plane with admission plug-ins

While RBAC controls access rules between users and groups and available projects, admission plug-ins define access to the OpenShift Container Platform master API. Admission plug-ins form a chain of rules that consist of:

- Default admissions plug-ins: These implement a default set of policies and resources limits that are applied to components of the OpenShift Container Platform control plane.
- Mutating admission plug-ins: These plug-ins dynamically extend the admission chain. They call out to a webhook server and can both authenticate a request and modify the selected resource.
- Validating admission plug-ins: These validate requests for a selected resource and can both validate the request and ensure that the resource does not change again.

API requests go through admissions plug-ins in a chain, with any failure along the way causing the request to be rejected. Each admission plug-in is associated with particular resources and only responds to requests for those resources.

## 2.10.2.1. Security context constraints (SCCs)

You can use security context constraints (SCCs) to define a set of conditions that a pod must run with in order to be accepted into the system.

Some aspects that can be managed by SCCs include:

- Running of privileged containers
- Capabilities a container can request to be added
- Use of host directories as volumes
- SELinux context of the container
- Container user ID

If you have the required permissions, you can adjust the default SCC policies to be more permissive, if required.

# 2.10.2.2. Granting roles to service accounts

You can assign roles to service accounts, in the same way that users are assigned role-based access. There are three default service accounts created for each project. A service account:

- is limited in scope to a particular project
- derives its name from its project
- is automatically assigned an API token and credentials to access the OpenShift Container Registry

Service accounts associated with platform components automatically have their keys rotated.

## 2.10.3. Authentication and authorization

# 2.10.3.1. Controlling access using OAuth

You can use API access control via authentication and authorization for securing your container platform. The OpenShift Container Platform master includes a built-in OAuth server. Users can obtain OAuth access tokens to authenticate themselves to the API.

As an administrator, you can configure OAuth to authenticate using an *identity provider*, such as LDAP, GitHub, or Google. The identity provider is used by default for new OpenShift Container Platform deployments, but you can configure this at initial installation time or post-installation.

## 2.10.3.2. API access control and management

Applications can have multiple, independent API services which have different endpoints that require management. OpenShift Container Platform includes a containerized version of the 3scale API gateway so that you can manage your APIs and control access.

3scale gives you a variety of standard options for API authentication and security, which can be used alone or in combination to issue credentials and control access: standard API keys, application ID and key pair, and OAuth 2.0.

You can restrict access to specific endpoints, methods, and services and apply access policy for groups of users. Application plans allow you to set rate limits for API usage and control traffic flow for groups of developers.

For a tutorial on using APIcast v2, the containerized 3scale API Gateway, see Running APIcast on Red Hat OpenShift in the 3scale documentation.

## 2.10.3.3. Red Hat Single Sign-On

The Red Hat Single Sign-On server enables you to secure your applications by providing web single sign-on capabilities based on standards, including SAML 2.0, OpenID Connect, and OAuth 2.0. The server can act as a SAML or OpenID Connect-based identity provider (IdP), mediating with your enterprise user directory or third-party identity provider for identity information and your applications using standards-based tokens. You can integrate Red Hat Single Sign-On with LDAP-based directory services including Microsoft Active Directory and Red Hat Enterprise Linux Identity Management.

# 2.10.3.4. Secure self-service web console

OpenShift Container Platform provides a self-service web console to ensure that teams do not access other environments without authorization. OpenShift Container Platform ensures a secure multitenant master by providing the following:

- Access to the master uses Transport Layer Security (TLS)
- Access to the API Server uses X.509 certificates or OAuth access tokens
- Project quota limits the damage that a rogue token could do
- The etcd service is not exposed directly to the cluster

# 2.10.4. Managing certificates for the platform

OpenShift Container Platform has multiple components within its framework that use REST-based HTTPS communication leveraging encryption via TLS certificates. OpenShift Container Platform's installer configures these certificates during installation. There are some primary components that generate this traffic:

- masters (API server and controllers)
- etcd
- nodes
- registry
- router

## 2.10.4.1. Configuring custom certificates

You can configure custom serving certificates for the public hostnames of the API server and web console during initial installation or when redeploying certificates. You can also use a custom CA.

## Additional resources

- Introduction to OpenShift Container Platform
- Using RBAC to define and apply permissions
- About admission plug-ins
- Managing security context constraints
- SCC reference commands
- Examples of granting roles to service accounts
- Configuring the internal OAuth server
- Understanding identity provider configuration
- Certificate types and descriptions
- Proxy certificates

## 2.11. SECURING NETWORKS

Network security can be managed at several levels. At the pod level, network namespaces can prevent containers from seeing other pods or the host system by restricting network access. Network policies give you control over allowing and rejecting connections. You can manage ingress and egress traffic to and from your containerized applications.

# 2.11.1. Using network namespaces

OpenShift Container Platform uses software-defined networking (SDN) to provide a unified cluster network that enables communication between containers across the cluster.

Network policy mode, by default, makes all pods in a project accessible from other pods and network endpoints. To isolate one or more pods in a project, you can create **NetworkPolicy** objects in that project to indicate the allowed incoming connections. Using multitenant mode, you can provide project-level isolation for pods and services.

# 2.11.2. Isolating pods with network policies

Using *network policies*, you can isolate pods from each other in the same project. Network policies can deny all network access to a pod, only allow connections for the ingress controller, reject connections from pods in other projects, or set similar rules for how networks behave.

#### Additional resources

About network policy

# 2.11.3. Using multiple pod networks

Each running container has only one network interface by default. The Multus CNI plug-in lets you create multiple CNI networks, and then attach any of those networks to your pods. In that way, you can do things like separate private data onto a more restricted network and have multiple network interfaces on each node.

## Additional resources

Using multiple networks

## 2.11.4. Isolating applications

OpenShift Container Platform enables you to segment network traffic on a single cluster to make multitenant clusters that isolate users, teams, applications, and environments from non-global resources.

## Additional resources

Configuring network isolation using OpenShiftSDN

# 2.11.5. Securing ingress traffic

There are many security implications related to how you configure access to your Kubernetes services from outside of your OpenShift Container Platform cluster. Besides exposing HTTP and HTTPS routes, ingress routing allows you to set up NodePort or LoadBalancer ingress types. NodePort exposes an

application's service API object from each cluster worker. LoadBalancer lets you assign an external load balancer to an associated service API object in your OpenShift Container Platform cluster.

#### Additional resources

Configuring ingress cluster traffic

# 2.11.6. Securing egress traffic

OpenShift Container Platform provides the ability to control egress traffic using either a router or firewall method. For example, you can use IP whitelisting to control database access. A cluster administrator can assign one or more egress IP addresses to a project in an OpenShift Container Platform SDN network provider. Likewise, a cluster administrator can prevent egress traffic from going outside of an OpenShift Container Platform cluster using an egress firewall.

By assigning a fixed egress IP address, you can have all outgoing traffic assigned to that IP address for a particular project. With the egress firewall, you can prevent a pod from connecting to an external network, prevent a pod from connecting to an internal network, or limit a pod's access to specific internal subnets.

#### Additional resources

- Configuring an egress firewall to control access to external IP addresses
- Configuring egress IPs for a project

## 2.12. SECURING ATTACHED STORAGE

OpenShift Container Platform supports multiple types of storage, both for on-premise and cloud providers. In particular, OpenShift Container Platform can use storage types that support the Container Storage Interface.

# 2.12.1. Persistent volume plug-ins

Containers are useful for both stateless and stateful applications. Protecting attached storage is a key element of securing stateful services. Using the Container Storage Interface (CSI), OpenShift Container Platform can incorporate storage from any storage back end that supports the CSI interface.

OpenShift Container Platform provides plug-ins for multiple types of storage, including:

- Red Hat OpenShift Container Storage \*
- AWS Elastic Block Stores (EBS) \*
- AWS Elastic File System (EFS) \*
- Azure Disk \*
- Azure File \*
- OpenStack Cinder \*
- GCE Persistent Disks \*
- VMware vSphere \*

- Network File System (NFS)
- FlexVolume
- Fibre Channel
- iSCSI

Plug-ins for those storage types with dynamic provisioning are marked with an asterisk (\*). Data in transit is encrypted via HTTPS for all OpenShift Container Platform components communicating with each other.

You can mount a persistent volume (PV) on a host in any way supported by your storage type. Different types of storage have different capabilities and each PV's access modes are set to the specific modes supported by that particular volume.

For example, NFS can support multiple read/write clients, but a specific NFS PV might be exported on the server as read-only. Each PV has its own set of access modes describing that specific PV's capabilities, such as **ReadWriteOnce**, **ReadOnlyMany**, and **ReadWriteMany**.

# 2.12.2. Shared storage

For shared storage providers like NFS, the PV registers its group ID (GID) as an annotation on the PV resource. Then, when the PV is claimed by the pod, the annotated GID is added to the supplemental groups of the pod, giving that pod access to the contents of the shared storage.

# 2.12.3. Block storage

For block storage providers like AWS Elastic Block Store (EBS), GCE Persistent Disks, and iSCSI, OpenShift Container Platform uses SELinux capabilities to secure the root of the mounted volume for non-privileged pods, making the mounted volume owned by and only visible to the container with which it is associated.

#### Additional resources

- Understanding persistent storage
- Configuring CSI volumes
- Dynamic provisioning
- Persistent storage using NFS
- Persistent storage using AWS Elastic Block Store
- Persistent storage using GCE Persistent Disk

# 2.13. MONITORING CLUSTER EVENTS AND LOGS

The ability to monitor and audit an OpenShift Container Platform cluster is an important part of safeguarding the cluster and its users against inappropriate usage.

There are two main sources of cluster-level information that are useful for this purpose: events and logging.

# 2.13.1. Watching cluster events

Cluster administrators are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the **Event** resource type and review the list of system events to determine which events are of interest. Events are associated with a namespace, either the namespace of the resource they are related to or, for cluster events, the **default** namespace. The default namespace holds relevant events for monitoring or auditing a cluster, such as node events and resource events related to infrastructure components.

The master API and **oc** command do not provide parameters to scope a listing of events to only those related to nodes. A simple approach would be to use **grep**:

\$ oc get event -n default | grep Node

## **Example output**

```
1h 20h 3 origin-node-1.example.local Node Normal NodeHasDiskPressure ...
```

A more flexible approach is to output the events in a form that other tools can process. For example, the following example uses the **jq** tool against JSON output to extract only **NodeHasDiskPressure** events:

# **Example output**

```
{
    "apiVersion": "v1",
    "count": 3,
    "involvedObject": {
        "kind": "Node",
        "name": "origin-node-1.example.local",
        "uid": "origin-node-1.example.local"
    },
    "kind": "Event",
    "reason": "NodeHasDiskPressure",
    ...
}
```

Events related to resource creation, modification, or deletion can also be good candidates for detecting misuse of the cluster. The following query, for example, can be used to look for excessive pulling of images:

```
$ oc get events --all-namespaces -o json \
| jq '[.items[] | select(.involvedObject.kind == "Pod" and .reason == "Pulling")] | length'
```

## Example output

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#### **NOTE**

When a namespace is deleted, its events are deleted as well. Events can also expire and are deleted to prevent filling up etcd storage. Events are not stored as a permanent record and frequent polling is necessary to capture statistics over time.

# 2.13.2. Logging

Using the **oc log** command, you can view container logs, build configs and deployments in real time. Different can users have access different access to logs:

- Users who have access to a project are able to see the logs for that project by default.
- Users with admin roles can access all container logs.

To save your logs for further audit and analysis, you can enable the **cluster-logging** add-on feature to collect, manage, and view system, container, and audit logs. You can deploy, manage, and upgrade cluster logging through the OpenShift Elasticsearch Operator and Cluster Logging Operator.

# 2.13.3. Audit logs

With *audit logs*, you can follow a sequence of activities associated with how a user, administrator, or other OpenShift Container Platform component is behaving. API audit logging is done on each server.

#### Additional resources

- List of system events
- Understanding cluster logging
- Viewing audit logs

# **CHAPTER 3. CONFIGURING CERTIFICATES**

## 3.1. REPLACING THE DEFAULT INGRESS CERTIFICATE

# 3.1.1. Understanding the default ingress certificate

By default, OpenShift Container Platform uses the Ingress Operator to create an internal CA and issue a wildcard certificate that is valid for applications under the **.apps** sub-domain. Both the web console and CLI use this certificate as well.

The internal infrastructure CA certificates are self-signed. While this process might be perceived as bad practice by some security or PKI teams, any risk here is minimal. The only clients that implicitly trust these certificates are other components within the cluster. Replacing the default wildcard certificate with one that is issued by a public CA already included in the CA bundle as provided by the container userspace allows external clients to connect securely to applications running under the **.apps** subdomain.

# 3.1.2. Replacing the default ingress certificate

You can replace the default ingress certificate for all applications under the **.apps** subdomain. After you replace the certificate, all applications, including the web console and CLI, will have encryption provided by specified certificate.

# **Prerequisites**

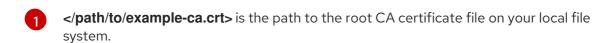
- You must have a wildcard certificate for the fully qualified **.apps** subdomain and its corresponding private key. Each should be in a separate PEM format file.
- The private key must be unencrypted. If your key is encrypted, decrypt it before importing it into OpenShift Container Platform.
- The certificate must include the **subjectAltName** extension showing \*.apps.<clustername>. <domain>.
- The certificate file can contain one or more certificates in a chain. The wildcard certificate must be the first certificate in the file. It can then be followed with any intermediate certificates, and the file should end with the root CA certificate.
- Copy the root CA certificate into an additional PEM format file.

#### **Procedure**

1. Create a config map that includes only the root CA certificate used to sign the wildcard certificate:

\$ oc create configmap custom-ca \
--from-file=ca-bundle.crt=</path/to/example-ca.crt> \1

--trom-tile=ca-bundle.crt=</path/to/example-ca-n openshift-config



2. Update the cluster-wide proxy configuration with the newly created config map:

```
$ oc patch proxy/cluster \
    --type=merge \
    --patch='{"spec":{"trustedCA":{"name":"custom-ca"}}}'
```

3. Create a secret that contains the wildcard certificate chain and key:

```
$ oc create secret tls <secret> \1
--cert=</path/to/cert.crt> \2
--key=</path/to/cert.key> \3
-n openshift-ingress
```

- <secret> is the name of the secret that will contain the certificate chain and private key.
- </path/to/cert.crt> is the path to the certificate chain on your local file system.
- </path/to/cert.key> is the path to the private key associated with this certificate.
- 4. Update the Ingress Controller configuration with the newly created secret:

```
$ oc patch ingresscontroller.operator default \
    --type=merge -p \
    '{"spec":{"defaultCertificate": {"name": "<secret>"}}}' \1
    -n openshift-ingress-operator
```

Replace **<secret>** with the name used for the secret in the previous step.

## Additional resources

- Replacing the CA Bundle certificate
- Proxy certificate customization

## 3.2. ADDING API SERVER CERTIFICATES

The default API server certificate is issued by an internal OpenShift Container Platform cluster CA. Clients outside of the cluster will not be able to verify the API server's certificate by default. This certificate can be replaced by one that is issued by a CA that clients trust.

# 3.2.1. Add an API server named certificate

The default API server certificate is issued by an internal OpenShift Container Platform cluster CA. You can add one or more alternative certificates that the API server will return based on the fully qualified domain name (FQDN) requested by the client, for example when a reverse proxy or load balancer is used.

## **Prerequisites**

- You must have a certificate for the FQDN and its corresponding private key. Each should be in a separate PEM format file.
- The private key must be unencrypted. If your key is encrypted, decrypt it before importing it into OpenShift Container Platform.

- The certificate must include the **subjectAltName** extension showing the FQDN.
- The certificate file can contain one or more certificates in a chain. The certificate for the API server FQDN must be the first certificate in the file. It can then be followed with any intermediate certificates, and the file should end with the root CA certificate.



#### **WARNING**

Do not provide a named certificate for the internal load balancer (host name **api-int.<cluster\_name>.<base\_domain>**). Doing so will leave your cluster in a degraded state.

#### Procedure

- 1. Login to the new API as the **kubeadmin** user.
  - \$ oc login -u kubeadmin -p <password> https://FQDN:6443
- 2. Get the kubeconfig file.
  - \$ oc config view --flatten > kubeconfig-newapi
- 3. Create a secret that contains the certificate chain and private key in the **openshift-config** namespace.
  - \$ oc create secret tls <secret> \1
    --cert=</path/to/cert.crt> \2
    --key=</path/to/cert.key> \3
    -n openshift-config
  - <secret> is the name of the secret that will contain the certificate chain and private key.
  - </path/to/cert.crt> is the path to the certificate chain on your local file system.
  - </path/to/cert.key> is the path to the private key associated with this certificate.
- 4. Update the API server to reference the created secret.

  - Replace **FQDN**> with the FQDN that the API server should provide the certificate for.
  - Replace **<secret>** with the name used for the secret in the previous step.

5. Examine the **apiserver/cluster** object and confirm the secret is now referenced.

\$ oc get apiserver cluster -o yaml

## **Example output**

```
spec:
servingCerts:
namedCertificates:
- names:
- <FQDN>
servingCertificate:
name: <secret>
...
```

6. Check the **kube-apiserver** operator, and verify that a new revision of the Kubernetes API server rolls out. It may take a minute for the operator to detect the configuration change and trigger a new deployment. While the new revision is rolling out, **PROGRESSING** will report **True**.

\$ oc get clusteroperators kube-apiserver

Do not continue to the next step until **PROGRESSING** is listed as **False**, as shown in the following output:

# **Example output**

```
NAME VERSION AVAILABLE PROGRESSING DEGRADED SINCE kube-apiserver 4.6.0 True False False 145m
```

If **PROGRESSING** is showing **True**, wait a few minutes and try again.

# 3.3. SECURING SERVICE TRAFFIC USING SERVICE SERVING CERTIFICATE SECRETS

# 3.3.1. Understanding service serving certificates

Service serving certificates are intended to support complex middleware applications that require encryption. These certificates are issued as TLS web server certificates.

The **service-ca** controller uses the **x509.SHA256WithRSA** signature algorithm to generate service certificates.

The generated certificate and key are in PEM format, stored in **tls.crt** and **tls.key** respectively, within a created secret. The certificate and key are automatically replaced when they get close to expiration.

The service CA certificate, which issues the service certificates, is valid for 26 months and is automatically rotated when there is less than 13 months validity left. After rotation, the previous service CA configuration is still trusted until its expiration. This allows a grace period for all affected services to refresh their key material before the expiration. If you do not upgrade your cluster during this grace period, which restarts services and refreshes their key material, you might need to manually restart services to avoid failures after the previous service CA expires.



#### **NOTE**

You can use the following command to manually restart all pods in the cluster. Be aware that running this command causes a service interruption, because it deletes every running pod in every namespace. These pods will automatically restart after they are deleted.

```
\ for I in (oc get ns -o jsonpath='{range .items[*]} {.metadata.name}{"\n"} {end}'); \ do oc delete pods --all -n $I; \ sleep 1; \ done
```

## 3.3.2. Add a service certificate

To secure communication to your service, generate a signed serving certificate and key pair into a secret in the same namespace as the service.



#### **IMPORTANT**

The generated certificate is only valid for the internal service DNS name <service.name>.<service.namespace>.svc, and are only valid for internal communications.

## Prerequisites:

• You must have a service defined.

#### Procedure

1. Annotate the service with **service.beta.openshift.io/serving-cert-secret-name**:

```
$ oc annotate service <service_name> \1
service.beta.openshift.io/serving-cert-secret-name=<secret_name> 2
```

- Replace **<service\_name>** with the name of the service to secure.
- <secret\_name> will be the name of the generated secret containing the certificate and key pair. For convenience, it is recommended that this be the same as <service\_name>.

For example, use the following command to annotate the service **test1**:

- \$ oc annotate service test1 service.beta.openshift.io/serving-cert-secret-name=test1
- 2. Examine the service to confirm that the annotations are present:
  - \$ oc describe service <service\_name>

#### Example output

Annotations: service.beta.openshift.io/serving-cert-secret-name: <service\_name> service.beta.openshift.io/serving-cert-signed-by: openshift-service-serving-

signer@1556850837

3. After the cluster generates a secret for your service, your **Pod** spec can mount it, and the pod will run after it becomes available.

## Additional resources

• You can use a service certificate to configure a secure route using reencrypt TLS termination. For more information, see Creating a re-encrypt route with a custom certificate.

# 3.3.3. Add the service CA bundle to a config map

A pod can access the service CA certificate by mounting a **ConfigMap** object that is annotated with **service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true**. Once annotated, the cluster automatically injects the service CA certificate into the **service-ca.crt** key on the config map. Access to this CA certificate allows TLS clients to verify connections to services using service serving certificates.



#### **IMPORTANT**

After adding this annotation to a config map all existing data in it is deleted. It is recommended to use a separate config map to contain the **service-ca.crt**, instead of using the same config map that stores your pod configuration.

#### **Procedure**

- 1. Annotate the config map with **service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true**:
  - \$ oc annotate configmap <config\_map\_name> \1 service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true
  - Replace **<config\_map\_name>** with the name of the config map to annotate.



#### **NOTE**

Explicitly referencing the **service-ca.crt** key in a volume mount will prevent a pod from starting until the config map has been injected with the CA bundle. This behavior can be overridden by setting the **optional** field to **true** for the volume's serving certificate configuration.

For example, use the following command to annotate the config map **test1**:

- \$ oc annotate configmap test1 service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true
- 2. View the config map to ensure that the service CA bundle has been injected:
  - \$ oc get configmap <config\_map\_name> -o yaml

The CA bundle is displayed as the value of the **service-ca.crt** key in the YAML output:

apiVersion: v1

```
data:
service-ca.crt: |
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
```

## 3.3.4. Add the service CA bundle to an API service

You can annotate an **APIService** object with **service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true** to have its **spec.caBundle** field populated with the service CA bundle. This allows the Kubernetes API server to validate the service CA certificate used to secure the targeted endpoint.

#### **Procedure**

1. Annotate the API service with **service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true**:

```
$ oc annotate apiservice <api_service_name> \1 service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true
```

Replace **<api\_service\_name>** with the name of the API service to annotate.

For example, use the following command to annotate the API service **test1**:

- \$ oc annotate apiservice test1 service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true
- 2. View the API service to ensure that the service CA bundle has been injected:

```
$ oc get apiservice <api_service_name> -o yaml
```

The CA bundle is displayed in the **spec.caBundle** field in the YAML output:

```
apiVersion: apiregistration.k8s.io/v1
kind: APIService
metadata:
    annotations:
    service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle: "true"
...
spec:
    caBundle: <CA_BUNDLE>
...
```

## 3.3.5. Add the service CA bundle to a custom resource definition

You can annotate a **CustomResourceDefinition** (CRD) object with **service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true** to have its **spec.conversion.webhook.clientConfig.caBundle** field populated with the service CA bundle. This allows the Kubernetes API server to validate the service CA certificate used to secure the targeted endpoint.



#### NOTE

The service CA bundle will only be injected into the CRD if the CRD is configured to use a webhook for conversion. It is only useful to inject the service CA bundle if a CRD's webhook is secured with a service CA certificate.

#### **Procedure**

1. Annotate the CRD with service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true:

\$ oc annotate crd <crd\_name> \1 service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true

Replace **<crd\_name>** with the name of the CRD to annotate.

For example, use the following command to annotate the CRD **test1**:

- \$ oc annotate crd test1 service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true
- 2. View the CRD to ensure that the service CA bundle has been injected:

```
$ oc get crd < crd name > -o yaml
```

The CA bundle is displayed in the **spec.conversion.webhook.clientConfig.caBundle** field in the YAML output:

```
apiVersion: apiextensions.k8s.io/v1
kind: CustomResourceDefinition
metadata:
 annotations:
  service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle: "true"
spec:
 conversion:
  strategy: Webhook
  webhook:
   clientConfig:
    caBundle: <CA_BUNDLE>
```

# 3.3.6. Add the service CA bundle to a mutating webhook configuration

You can annotate a MutatingWebhookConfiguration object with service.beta.openshift.io/injectcabundle=true to have the clientConfig.caBundle field of each webhook populated with the service CA bundle. This allows the Kubernetes API server to validate the service CA certificate used to secure the targeted endpoint.



#### **NOTE**

Do not set this annotation for admission webhook configurations that need to specify different CA bundles for different webhooks. If you do, then the service CA bundle will be injected for all webhooks.

#### Procedure

1. Annotate the mutating webhook configuration with service.beta.openshift.io/injectcabundle=true:

\$ oc annotate mutatingwebhookconfigurations < mutating webhook name > \11



service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true



Replace <mutating\_webhook\_name> with the name of the mutating webhook configuration to annotate.

For example, use the following command to annotate the mutating webhook configuration **test1**:

\$ oc annotate mutatingwebhookconfigurations test1 service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true

2. View the mutating webhook configuration to ensure that the service CA bundle has been injected:

\$ oc get mutatingwebhookconfigurations <mutating\_webhook\_name> -o yaml

The CA bundle is displayed in the **clientConfig.caBundle** field of all webhooks in the YAML output:

```
apiVersion: admissionregistration.k8s.io/v1
kind: MutatingWebhookConfiguration
metadata:
    annotations:
    service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle: "true"
...
webhooks:
- myWebhook:
- v1beta1
clientConfig:
    caBundle: <CA_BUNDLE>
...
```

# 3.3.7. Add the service CA bundle to a validating webhook configuration

You can annotate a **ValidatingWebhookConfiguration** object with **service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true** to have the **clientConfig.caBundle** field of each webhook populated with the service CA bundle. This allows the Kubernetes API server to validate the service CA certificate used to secure the targeted endpoint.



#### **NOTE**

Do not set this annotation for admission webhook configurations that need to specify different CA bundles for different webhooks. If you do, then the service CA bundle will be injected for all webhooks.

#### **Procedure**

Annotate the validating webhook configuration with service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true:

\$ oc annotate validatingwebhookconfigurations <validating\_webhook\_name> \1 service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true



Replace **<validating\_webhook\_name>** with the name of the validating webhook configuration to annotate.

For example, use the following command to annotate the validating webhook configuration **test1**:

\$ oc annotate validatingwebhookconfigurations test1 service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle=true

- 2. View the validating webhook configuration to ensure that the service CA bundle has been injected:
  - \$ oc get validatingwebhookconfigurations <validating\_webhook\_name> -o yaml

The CA bundle is displayed in the **clientConfig.caBundle** field of all webhooks in the YAML output:

```
apiVersion: admissionregistration.k8s.io/v1
kind: ValidatingWebhookConfiguration
metadata:
    annotations:
    service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle: "true"
...
webhooks:
- myWebhook:
- v1beta1
clientConfig:
    caBundle: <CA_BUNDLE>
...
```

# 3.3.8. Manually rotate the generated service certificate

You can rotate the service certificate by deleting the associated secret. Deleting the secret results in a new one being automatically created, resulting in a new certificate.

## **Prerequisites**

A secret containing the certificate and key pair must have been generated for the service.

#### **Procedure**

1. Examine the service to determine the secret containing the certificate. This is found in the **serving-cert-secret-name** annotation, as seen below.

\$ oc describe service <service\_name>

## **Example output**

```
...
service.beta.openshift.io/serving-cert-secret-name: <secret>
```

2. Delete the generated secret for the service. This process will automatically recreate the secret.

\$ oc delete secret <secret> 1

- Replace **<secret>** with the name of the secret from the previous step.
- 3. Confirm that the certificate has been recreated by obtaining the new secret and examining the **AGE**.

\$ oc get secret <service\_name>

## **Example output**

NAME TYPE DATA AGE <service.name> kubernetes.io/tls 2 1s

# 3.3.9. Manually rotate the service CA certificate

The service CA is valid for 26 months and is automatically refreshed when there is less than 13 months validity left.

If necessary, you can manually refresh the service CA by using the following procedure.



## **WARNING**

A manually-rotated service CA does not maintain trust with the previous service CA. You might experience a temporary service disruption until the pods in the cluster are restarted, which ensures that pods are using service serving certificates issued by the new service CA.

## **Prerequisites**

• You must be logged in as a cluster admin.

#### Procedure

1. View the expiration date of the current service CA certificate by using the following command.

```
$ oc get secrets/signing-key -n openshift-service-ca \
   -o template='{{index .data "tls.crt"}}' \
   | base64 --decode \
   | openssl x509 -noout -enddate
```

2. Manually rotate the service CA. This process generates a new service CA which will be used to sign the new service certificates.

\$ oc delete secret/signing-key -n openshift-service-ca

3. To apply the new certificates to all services, restart all the pods in your cluster. This command ensures that all services use the updated certificates.

```
$ for I in $(oc get ns -o jsonpath='{range .items[*]} {.metadata.name}{"\n"} {end}'); \
    do oc delete pods --all -n $I; \
    sleep 1; \
    done
```



#### **WARNING**

This command will cause a service interruption, as it goes through and deletes every running pod in every namespace. These pods will automatically restart after they are deleted.

## 3.4. UPDATING THE CA BUNDLE

# 3.4.1. Understanding the CA Bundle certificate

Proxy certificates allow users to specify one or more custom certificate authority (CA) used by platform components when making egress connections.

The **trustedCA** field of the Proxy object is a reference to a config map that contains a user-provided trusted certificate authority (CA) bundle. This bundle is merged with the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) trust bundle and injected into the trust store of platform components that make egress HTTPS calls. For example, **image-registry-operator** calls an external image registry to download images. If **trustedCA** is not specified, only the RHCOS trust bundle is used for proxied HTTPS connections. Provide custom CA certificates to the RHCOS trust bundle if you want to use your own certificate infrastructure.

The **trustedCA** field should only be consumed by a proxy validator. The validator is responsible for reading the certificate bundle from required key **ca-bundle.crt** and copying it to a config map named **trusted-ca-bundle** in the **openshift-config-managed** namespace. The namespace for the config map referenced by **trustedCA** is **openshift-config**:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
name: user-ca-bundle
namespace: openshift-config
data:
ca-bundle.crt: |
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
Custom CA certificate bundle.
-----END CERTIFICATE-----
```

# 3.4.2. Replacing the CA Bundle certificate

#### Procedure

1. Create a config map that includes the root CA certificate used to sign the wildcard certificate:

\$ oc create configmap custom-ca \

- --from-file=ca-bundle.crt=</path/to/example-ca.crt> \1
- -n openshift-config
- </path/to/example-ca.crt> is the path to the CA certificate bundle on your local file system.
- 2. Update the cluster-wide proxy configuration with the newly created config map:

```
$ oc patch proxy/cluster \
--type=merge \
--patch='{"spec":{"trustedCA":{"name":"custom-ca"}}}'
```

## Additional resources

- Replacing the default ingress certificate
- Enabling the cluster-wide proxy
- Proxy certificate customization

# **CHAPTER 4. CERTIFICATE TYPES AND DESCRIPTIONS**

## 4.1. USER-PROVIDED CERTIFICATES FOR THE API SERVER

## 4.1.1. Purpose

The API server is accessible by clients external to the cluster at **api.<cluster\_name>.<base\_domain>**. You might want clients to access the API server at a different hostname or without the need to distribute the cluster-managed certificate authority (CA) certificates to the clients. The administrator must set a custom default certificate to be used by the API server when serving content.

## 4.1.2. Location

The user-provided certificates must be provided in a **kubernetes.io/tls** type **Secret** in the **openshift-config** namespace. Update the API server cluster configuration, the **apiserver/cluster** resource, to enable the use of the user-provided certificate.

## 4.1.3. Management

User-provided certificates are managed by the user.

# 4.1.4. Expiration

API server client certificate expiration is less than five minutes.

User-provided certificates are managed by the user.

## 4.1.5. Customization

Update the secret containing the user-managed certificate as needed.

## Additional resources

Adding API server certificates

## 4.2. PROXY CERTIFICATES

## 4.2.1. Purpose

Proxy certificates allow users to specify one or more custom certificate authority (CA) certificates used by platform components when making egress connections.

The **trustedCA** field of the Proxy object is a reference to a config map that contains a user-provided trusted certificate authority (CA) bundle. This bundle is merged with the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) trust bundle and injected into the trust store of platform components that make egress HTTPS calls. For example, **image-registry-operator** calls an external image registry to download images. If **trustedCA** is not specified, only the RHCOS trust bundle is used for proxied HTTPS connections. Provide custom CA certificates to the RHCOS trust bundle if you want to use your own certificate infrastructure.

The **trustedCA** field should only be consumed by a proxy validator. The validator is responsible for reading the certificate bundle from required key **ca-bundle.crt** and copying it to a config map named

**trusted-ca-bundle** in the **openshift-config-managed** namespace. The namespace for the config map referenced by **trustedCA** is **openshift-config**:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
name: user-ca-bundle
namespace: openshift-config
data:
ca-bundle.crt: |
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
Custom CA certificate bundle.
-----END CERTIFICATE-----
```

#### Additional resources

Configuring the cluster-wide proxy

# 4.2.2. Managing proxy certificates during installation

The **additionalTrustBundle** value of the installer configuration is used to specify any proxy-trusted CA certificates during installation. For example:

\$ cat install-config.yaml

# **Example output**

```
proxy:
httpProxy: http://<https://username:password@proxy.example.com:123/>
httpsProxy: https://<https://username:password@proxy.example.com:123/>
noProxy: <123.example.com,10.88.0.0/16>
additionalTrustBundle: |
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
<MY_HTTPS_PROXY_TRUSTED_CA_CERT>
-----END CERTIFICATE-----
```

## 4.2.3. Location

The user-provided trust bundle is represented as a config map. The config map is mounted into the file system of platform components that make egress HTTPS calls. Typically, Operators mount the config map to /etc/pki/ca-trust/extracted/pem/tls-ca-bundle.pem, but this is not required by the proxy. A proxy can modify or inspect the HTTPS connection. In either case, the proxy must generate and sign a new certificate for the connection.

Complete proxy support means connecting to the specified proxy and trusting any signatures it has generated. Therefore, it is necessary to let the user specify a trusted root, such that any certificate chain connected to that trusted root is also trusted.

If using the RHCOS trust bundle, place CA certificates in /etc/pki/ca-trust/source/anchors.

See Using shared system certificates in the Red Hat Enterprise Linux documentation for more information.

## 4.2.4. Expiration

The user sets the expiration term of the user-provided trust bundle.

The default expiration term is defined by the CA certificate itself. It is up to the CA administrator to configure this for the certificate before it can be used by OpenShift Container Platform or RHCOS.



#### NOTE

Red Hat does not monitor for when CAs expire. However, due to the long life of CAs, this is generally not an issue. However, you might need to periodically update the trust bundle.

## 4.2.5. Services

By default, all platform components that make egress HTTPS calls will use the RHCOS trust bundle. If **trustedCA** is defined, it will also be used.

Any service that is running on the RHCOS node is able to use the trust bundle of the node.

# 4.2.6. Management

These certificates are managed by the system and not the user.

## 4.2.7. Customization

Updating the user-provided trust bundle consists of either:

- updating the PEM-encoded certificates in the config map referenced by trustedCA, or
- creating a config map in the namespace **openshift-config** that contains the new trust bundle and updating **trustedCA** to reference the name of the new config map.

The mechanism for writing CA certificates to the RHCOS trust bundle is exactly the same as writing any other file to RHCOS, which is done through the use of machine configs. When the Machine Config Operator (MCO) applies the new machine config that contains the new CA certificates, the node is rebooted. During the next boot, the service **coreos-update-ca-trust.service** runs on the RHCOS nodes, which automatically update the trust bundle with the new CA certificates. For example:

```
apiVersion: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1
kind: MachineConfig
metadata:
labels:
    machineconfiguration.openshift.io/role: worker
    name: 50-examplecorp-ca-cert
spec:
    config:
    ignition:
        version: 3.1.0
    storage:
    files:
        - contents:
        source: data:text/plain;charset=utf-
```

8;base64,LS0tLS1CRUdJTiBDRVJUSUZJQ0FURS0tLS0tCk1JSUVORENDQXh5Z0F3SUJBZ0IKQU5 1bkkwRDY2MmNuTUEwR0NTcUdTSWIzRFFFQkN3VUFNSUdsTVFzd0NRWUQKV1FRR0V3SIZVek VYTUJVR0ExVUVDQXdPVG05eWRHZ2dRMkZ5YjJ4cGJtRXhFREFPQmdOVkJBY01CMUpoYkdWcA

pBMmd4RmpBVUJnTlZCQW9NRFZKbFpDQklZWFFzSUVsdVl5NHhFekFSQmdOVkJBc01DbEpsWk NCSVIYUWdTVIF4Ckh6QVpCZ05WQkFNTUVsSmxaQ0JJWVhRZ1NWUWdVbTl2ZENCRFFURWhN QjhHQ1NxR1NJYjNEUUVKQVJZU2FXNW0KWGpDQnBURUxNQWtHQTFVRUJoTUNWVk14RnpBV kJnTlZCQWdNRGs1dmNuUm9JRU5oY205c2FXNWhNUkF3RGdZRApXUVFIREFkU1IXeGxhV2RvTV JZd0ZBWURWUVFLREExU1pXUWdTR0YwTENCSmJtTXVNUk13RVFZRFZRUUxEQXBTCkFXUWd TR0YwSUVsVU1Sc3dHUVIEVIFRRERCSINaV1FnU0dGMEIFbFVJRkp2YjNRZ1EwRXhJVEFmQmdrc WhraUcKMHcwQkNRRVdFbWx1Wm05elpXTkFjbVZrYUdGMExtTnZiVENDQVNJd0RRWUpLb1pJaH ZjTkFRRUJCUUFEZ2dFUApCRENDQVFvQ2dnRUJBTFF0OU9KUWg2R0M1TFQxZzgwcU5oMHU1 MEJRNHNaL3laOGFFVHh0KzVsblBWWDZNSEt6CmQvaTdsRHFUZIRjZkxMMm55VUJkMmZRRGsx QjBmeHJza2hHSUlaM2lmUDFQczRsdFRrdjhoUlNvYjNWdE5xU28KSHhrS2Z2RDJQS2pUUHhEUFdZ eXJ1eTlpckxaaW9NZmZpM2kvZ0N1dDBaV3RBeU8zTVZINXFXRi9lbkt3Z1BFUwpZOXBvK1RkQ3ZS Qi9SVU9iQmFNNzYxRWNyTFNNMUdxSE51ZVNmcW5obzNBakxRNmRCblBXbG82MzhabTFWZWJ LCkNFTHloa0xXTVNGa0t3RG1uZTBqUTAyWTRnMDc1dkNLdkNzQ0F3RUFBYU5qTUdFd0hRWUR WUjBPQkJZRUZIN1IKNXIDK1VlaElJUGV1TDhacXczUHpiZ2NaTUI4R0ExVWRJd1FZTUJhQUZIN1I0 eUMrVWVoSUIQZXVMOFpxdzNQegpjZ2NaTUE4R0ExVWRFd0VCL3dRRk1BTUJBZjh3RGdZRFZS MFBBUUgvQkFRREFnR0dNQTBHQ1NxR1NJYjNEUUVCCkR3VUFBNEICQVFCRE52RDJWbTlzQT VBOUFsT0pSOCtlbjVYejloWGN4Skl1cGh4Y1pROGpGb0cwNFZzaHZkMGUKTUVuVXJNY2ZGZ0laN G5qTUtUUUNNNFpGVVBBaWV5THg0ZjUySHVEb3BwM2U1SnIJTWZXK0tGY05JcEt3Q3NhawpwU2 9LdEIVT3NVSks3cUJWWnhjckl5ZVFWMnFjWU9IWmh0UzV3QnFJd09BaEZ3bENFVDdaZTU4UUhtUz Q4c2xqCjVIVGtSaml2QWxFeHJGektjbGpDNGF4S1Fsbk92VkF6eitHbTMyVTB4UEJGNEJ5ZVBWeEN KVUh3MVRzeVRtZWwKU3hORXA3eUhvWGN3bitmWG5hK3Q1SldoMWd4VVp0eTMKLS0tLS1FTkQ gQ0VSVEIGSUNBVEUtLS0tLQo=

mode: 0644 overwrite: true

path: /etc/pki/ca-trust/source/anchors/examplecorp-ca.crt

The trust store of machines must also support updating the trust store of nodes.

## 4.2.8. Renewal

There are no Operators that can auto-renew certificates on the RHCOS nodes.



## **NOTE**

Red Hat does not monitor for when CAs expire. However, due to the long life of CAs, this is generally not an issue. However, you might need to periodically update the trust bundle.

## 4.3. SERVICE CA CERTIFICATES

## 4.3.1. Purpose

**service-ca** is an Operator that creates a self-signed CA when an OpenShift Container Platform cluster is deployed.

# 4.3.2. Expiration

A custom expiration term is not supported. The self-signed CA is stored in a secret with qualified name **service-ca/signing-key** in fields **tls.crt** (certificate(s)), **tls.key** (private key), and **ca-bundle.crt** (CA bundle).

Other services can request a service serving certificate by annotating a service resource with **service.beta.openshift.io/serving-cert-secret-name:** <**secret name>**. In response, the Operator generates a new certificate, as **tls.crt**, and private key, as **tls.key** to the named secret. The certificate is valid for two years.

Other services can request that the CA bundle for the service CA be injected into API service or config map resources by annotating with **service.beta.openshift.io/inject-cabundle: true** to support validating certificates generated from the service CA. In response, the Operator writes its current CA bundle to the **CABundle** field of an API service or as **service-ca.crt** to a config map.

As of OpenShift Container Platform 4.3.5, automated rotation is supported and is backported to some 4.2.z and 4.3.z releases. For any release supporting automated rotation, the service CA is valid for 26 months and is automatically refreshed when there is less than 13 months validity left. If necessary, you can manually refresh the service CA.

The service CA expiration of 26 months is longer than the expected upgrade interval for a supported OpenShift Container Platform cluster, such that non-control plane consumers of service CA certificates will be refreshed after CA rotation and prior to the expiration of the pre-rotation CA.



#### **WARNING**

A manually-rotated service CA does not maintain trust with the previous service CA. You might experience a temporary service disruption until the Pods in the cluster are restarted, which ensures that Pods are using service serving certificates issued by the new service CA.

# 4.3.3. Management

These certificates are managed by the system and not the user.

#### 4.3.4. Services

Services that use service CA certificates include:

- cluster-autoscaler-operator
- cluster-monitoring-operator
- cluster-authentication-operator
- cluster-image-registry-operator
- cluster-ingress-operator
- cluster-kube-apiserver-operator
- cluster-kube-controller-manager-operator
- cluster-kube-scheduler-operator
- cluster-networking-operator
- cluster-openshift-apiserver-operator
- cluster-openshift-controller-manager-operator
- cluster-samples-operator

- machine-config-operator
- console-operator
- insights-operator
- machine-api-operator
- operator-lifecycle-manager

This is not a comprehensive list.

## Additional resources

- Manually rotate service serving certificates
- Securing service traffic using service serving certificate secrets

## 4.4. NODE CERTIFICATES

# **4.4.1. Purpose**

Node certificates are signed by the cluster; they come from a certificate authority (CA) that is generated by the bootstrap process. Once the cluster is installed, the node certificates are autorotated.

# 4.4.2. Management

These certificates are managed by the system and not the user.

## Additional resources

Working with nodes

# 4.5. BOOTSTRAP CERTIFICATES

# 4.5.1. Purpose

The kubelet, in OpenShift Container Platform 4 and later, uses the bootstrap certificate located in /etc/kubernetes/kubeconfig to initially bootstrap. This is followed by the bootstrap initialization process and authorization of the kubelet to create a CSR .

In that process, the kubelet generates a CSR while communicating over the bootstrap channel. The controller manager signs the CSR, resulting in a certificate that the kubelet manages.

# 4.5.2. Management

These certificates are managed by the system and not the user.

# 4.5.3. Expiration

This bootstrap CA is valid for 10 years.

The kubelet-managed certificate is valid for one year and rotates automatically at around the 80 percent mark of that one year.

## 4.5.4. Customization

You cannot customize the bootstrap certificates.

# 4.6. ETCD CERTIFICATES

# 4.6.1. Purpose

etcd certificates are signed by the etcd-signer; they come from a certificate authority (CA) that is generated by the bootstrap process.

# 4.6.2. Expiration

The CA certificates are valid for 10 years. The peer, client, and server certificates are valid for three years.

# 4.6.3. Management

These certificates are managed by the system and not the user.

## 4.6.4. Services

etcd certificates are used for encrypted communication between etcd member peers, as well as encrypted client traffic. The following certificates are generated and used by etcd and other processes that communicate with etcd:

- Peer certificates: Used for communication between etcd members.
- Client certificates: Used for encrypted server-client communication. Client certificates are
  currently used by the API server only, and no other service should connect to etcd directly
  except for the proxy. Client secrets (etcd-client, etcd-metric-client, etcd-metric-signer, and
  etcd-signer) are added to the openshift-config, openshift-monitoring, and openshift-kubeapiserver namespaces.
- Server certificates: Used by the etcd server for authenticating client requests.
- Metric certificates: All metric consumers connect to proxy with metric-client certificates.

#### Additional resources

• Restoring to a previous cluster state

## 4.7. OLM CERTIFICATES

## 4.7.1. Management

All certificates for OpenShift Lifecycle Manager (OLM) components (**olm-operator**, **catalog-operator**, **packageserver**, and **marketplace-operator**) are managed by the system.

When installing Operators that include webhooks or API services in their **ClusterServiceVersion** (CSV) object, OLM creates and rotates the certificates for these resources. Certificates for resources in the **openshift-operator-lifecycle-manager** namespace are managed by OLM.

OLM will not update the certificates of Operators that it manages in proxy environments. These certificates must be managed by the user using the subscription config.

## 4.8. USER-PROVIDED CERTIFICATES FOR DEFAULT INGRESS

## 4.8.1. Purpose

Applications are usually exposed at <route\_name>.apps.<cluster\_name>.<base\_domain>. The <cluster\_name> and <base\_domain> come from the installation config file. <route\_name> is the host field of the route, if specified, or the route name. For example, hello-openshift-

**default.apps.username.devcluster.openshift.com**. **hello-openshift** is the name of the route and the route is in the default namespace. You might want clients to access the applications without the need to distribute the cluster-managed CA certificates to the clients. The administrator must set a custom default certificate when serving application content.



#### **WARNING**

The Ingress Operator generates a default certificate for an Ingress Controller to serve as a placeholder until you configure a custom default certificate. Do not use operator-generated default certificates in production clusters.

### 4.8.2. Location

The user-provided certificates must be provided in a **tls** type **Secret** resource in the **openshift-ingress** namespace. Update the **IngressController** CR in the **openshift-ingress-operator** namespace to enable the use of the user-provided certificate. For more information on this process, see Setting a custom default certificate.

## 4.8.3. Management

User-provided certificates are managed by the user.

# 4.8.4. Expiration

User-provided certificates are managed by the user.

#### 4.8.5. Services

Applications deployed on the cluster use user-provided certificates for default ingress.

#### 4.8.6. Customization

Update the secret containing the user-managed certificate as needed.

#### Additional resources

• Replacing the default ingress certificate

## 4.9. INGRESS CERTIFICATES

# 4.9.1. Purpose

The Ingress Operator uses certificates for:

- Securing access to metrics for Prometheus.
- Securing access to routes.

#### 4.9.2. Location

To secure access to Ingress Operator and Ingress Controller metrics, the Ingress Operator uses service serving certificates. The Operator requests a certificate from the **service-ca** controller for its own metrics, and the **service-ca** controller puts the certificate in a secret named **metrics-tls** in the **openshift-ingress-operator** namespace. Additionally, the Ingress Operator requests a certificate for each Ingress Controller, and the **service-ca** controller puts the certificate in a secret named **router-metrics-certs-<name>**, where **<name>** is the name of the Ingress Controller, in the **openshift-ingress** namespace.

Each Ingress Controller has a default certificate that it uses for secured routes that do not specify their own certificates. Unless you specify a custom certificate, the Operator uses a self-signed certificate by default. The Operator uses its own self-signed signing certificate to sign any default certificate that it generates. The Operator generates this signing certificate and puts it in a secret named **router-ca** in the **openshift-ingress-operator** namespace. When the Operator generates a default certificate, it puts the default certificate in a secret named **router-certs-<name>** (where **<name>** is the name of the Ingress Controller) in the **openshift-ingress** namespace.



#### **WARNING**

The Ingress Operator generates a default certificate for an Ingress Controller to serve as a placeholder until you configure a custom default certificate. Do not use Operator-generated default certificates in production clusters.

## 4.9.3. Workflow

Figure 4.1. Custom certificate workflow

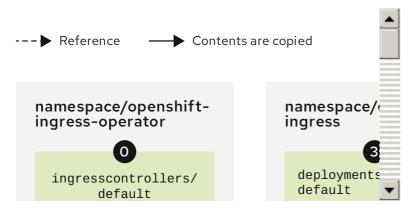
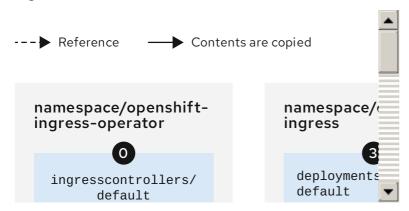


Figure 4.2. Default certificate workflow



- An empty **defaultCertificate** field causes the Ingress Operator to use its self-signed CA to generate a serving certificate for the specified domain.
- The default CA certificate and key generated by the Ingress Operator. Used to sign Operator-generated default serving certificates.
- In the default workflow, the wildcard default serving certificate, created by the Ingress Operator and signed using the generated default CA certificate. In the custom workflow, this is the user-provided certificate.
- The router deployment. Uses the certificate in **secrets/router-certs-default** as its default frontend server certificate.
- In the default workflow, the contents of the wildcard default serving certificate (public and private parts) are copied here to enable OAuth integration. In the custom workflow, this is the user-provided certificate.
- The public (certificate) part of the default serving certificate. Replaces the **configmaps/router-ca** resource.
- The user updates the cluster proxy configuration with the CA certificate that signed the **ingresscontroller** serving certificate. This enables components like **auth**, **console**, and the registry to trust the serving certificate.

- The cluster-wide trusted CA bundle containing the combined Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) and user-provided CA bundles or an RHCOS-only bundle if a user bundle is not provided.
- The custom CA certificate bundle, which instructs other components (for example, **auth** and **console**) to trust an **ingresscontroller** configured with a custom certificate.
- The **trustedCA** field is used to reference the user-provided CA bundle.
- 10 The Cluster Network Operator injects the trusted CA bundle into the **proxy-ca** config map.
- 11 OpenShift Container Platform 4.6 and newer use **default-ingress-cert**.

# 4.9.4. Expiration

The expiration terms for the Ingress Operator's certificates are as follows:

- The expiration date for metrics certificates that the **service-ca** controller creates is two years after the date of creation.
- The expiration date for the Operator's signing certificate is two years after the date of creation.
- The expiration date for default certificates that the Operator generates is two years after the date of creation.

You cannot specify custom expiration terms on certificates that the Ingress Operator or **service-ca** controller creates.

You cannot specify expiration terms when installing OpenShift Container Platform for certificates that the Ingress Operator or **service-ca** controller creates.

#### 4.9.5. Services

Prometheus uses the certificates that secure metrics.

The Ingress Operator uses its signing certificate to sign default certificates that it generates for Ingress Controllers for which you do not set custom default certificates.

Cluster components that use secured routes may use the default Ingress Controller's default certificate.

Ingress to the cluster via a secured route uses the default certificate of the Ingress Controller by which the route is accessed unless the route specifies its own certificate.

## 4.9.6. Management

Ingress certificates are managed by the user. See Replacing the default ingress certificate for more information.

#### 4.9.7. Renewal

The **service-ca** controller automatically rotates the certificates that it issues. However, it is possible to use **oc delete secret < secret>** to manually rotate service serving certificates.

The Ingress Operator does not rotate its own signing certificate or the default certificates that it generates. Operator-generated default certificates are intended as placeholders for custom default certificates that you configure.

# 4.10. MONITORING AND CLUSTER LOGGING OPERATOR COMPONENT CERTIFICATES

## 4.10.1. Expiration

Monitoring components secure their traffic with service CA certificates. These certificates are valid for 2 years and are replaced automatically on rotation of the service CA, which is every 13 months.

If the certificate lives in the **openshift-monitoring** or **openshift-logging** namespace, it is system managed and rotated automatically.

# 4.10.2. Management

These certificates are managed by the system and not the user.

#### 4.11. CONTROL PLANE CERTIFICATES

#### 4.11.1. Location

Control plane certificates are included in these namespaces:

- openshift-config-managed
- openshift-kube-apiserver
- openshift-kube-apiserver-operator
- openshift-kube-controller-manager
- openshift-kube-controller-manager-operator
- openshift-kube-scheduler

#### 4.11.2. Management

Control plane certificates are managed by the system and rotated automatically.

In the rare case that your control plane certificates have expired, see Recovering from expired control plane certificates.

# **CHAPTER 5. COMPLIANCE OPERATOR**

## 5.1. COMPLIANCE OPERATOR RELEASE NOTES

The Compliance Operator lets OpenShift Container Platform administrators describe the required compliance state of a cluster and provides them with an overview of gaps and ways to remediate them.

These release notes track the development of the Compliance Operator in the OpenShift Container Platform.

For an overview of the Compliance Operator, see Understanding the Compliance Operator.

# 5.1.1. OpenShift Compliance Operator 0.1.53

The following advisory is available for the OpenShift Compliance Operator 0.1.53:

• RHBA-2022:5537 - OpenShift Compliance Operator bug fix update

# 5.1.1.1. Bug fixes

- Previously, the ocp4-kubelet-enable-streaming-connections rule contained an incorrect variable comparison, resulting in false positive scan results. Now, the Compliance Operator provides accurate scan results when setting streamingConnectionIdleTimeout. (BZ#2069891)
- Previously, group ownership for /etc/openvswitch/conf.db was incorrect on IBM Z architectures, resulting in ocp4-cis-node-worker-file-groupowner-ovs-conf-db check failures.
   Now, the check is marked NOT-APPLICABLE on IBM Z architecture systems. (BZ#2072597)
- Previously, the ocp4-cis-scc-limit-container-allowed-capabilities rule reported in a FAIL state
  due to incomplete data regarding the security context constraints (SCC) rules in the
  deployment. Now, the result is MANUAL, which is consistent with other checks that require
  human intervention. (BZ#2077916)
- Previously, the following rules failed to account for additional configuration paths for API servers and TLS certificates and keys, resulting in reported failures even if the certificates and keys were set properly:
  - o ocp4-cis-api-server-kubelet-client-cert
  - ocp4-cis-api-server-kubelet-client-key
  - o ocp4-cis-kubelet-configure-tls-cert
  - ocp4-cis-kubelet-configure-tls-key

Now, the rules report accurately and observe legacy file paths specified in the kubelet configuration file. (BZ#2079813)

- Previously, the content\_rule\_oauth\_or\_oauthclient\_inactivity\_timeout rule did not account
  for a configurable timeout set by the deployment when assessing compliance for timeouts. This
  resulted in the rule failing even if the timeout was valid. Now, the Compliance Operator uses the
  var\_oauth\_inactivity\_timeout variable to set valid timeout length. ( BZ#2081952)
- Previously, the Compliance Operator used administrative permissions on namespaces not

labeled appropriately for privileged use, resulting in warning messages regarding pod security-level violations. Now, the Compliance Operator has appropriate namespace labels and permission adjustments to access results without violating permissions. (BZ#2088202)

- Previously, applying auto remediations for rhcos4-high-master-sysctl-kernel-yama-ptrace-scope and rhcos4-sysctl-kernel-core-pattern resulted in subsequent failures of those rules in scan results, even though they were remediated. Now, the rules report PASS accurately, even after remediations are applied.(BZ#2094382)
- Previously, the Compliance Operator would fail in a CrashLoopBackoff state because of outof-memory exceptions. Now, the Compliance Operator is improved to handle large machine configuration data sets in memory and function correctly. (BZ#2094854)

#### 5.1.1.2. Known issue

• When "debug":true is set within the **ScanSettingBinding** object, the pods generated by the **ScanSettingBinding** object are not removed when that binding is deleted. As a workaround, run the following command to delete the remaining pods:

\$ oc delete pods -I compliance.openshift.io/scan-name=ocp4-cis

(BZ#2092913)

# 5.1.2. OpenShift Compliance Operator 0.1.52

The following advisory is available for the OpenShift Compliance Operator 0.1.52:

• RHBA-2022:4657 - OpenShift Compliance Operator bug fix update

## 5.1.2.1. New features and enhancements

• The FedRAMP high SCAP profile is now available for use in OpenShift Container Platform environments. For more information, See Supported compliance profiles.

### 5.1.2.2. Bug fixes

- Previously, the OpenScap container would crash due to a mount permission issue in a security environment where DAC\_OVERRIDE capability is dropped. Now, executable mount permissions are applied to all users. (BZ#2082151)
- Previously, the compliance rule ocp4-configure-network-policies could be configured as MANUAL. Now, compliance rule ocp4-configure-network-policies is set to AUTOMATIC. (BZ#2072431)
- Previously, the Cluster Autoscaler would fail to scale down because the Compliance Operator scan pods were never removed after a scan. Now, the pods are removed from each node by default unless explicitly saved for debugging purposes. (BZ#2075029)
- Previously, applying the Compliance Operator to the **KubeletConfig** would result in the node going into a **NotReady** state due to unpausing the Machine Config Pools too early. Now, the Machine Config Pools are unpaused appropriately and the node operates correctly. (BZ#2071854)
- Previously, the Machine Config Operator used **base64** instead of **url-encoded** code in the latest release, causing Compliance Operator remediation to fail. Now, the Compliance Operator

checks encoding to handle both **base64** and **url-encoded** Machine Config code and the remediation applies correctly. (BZ#2082431)

#### 5.1.2.3. Known issue

• When "debug":true is set within the **ScanSettingBinding** object, the pods generated by the **ScanSettingBinding** object are not removed when that binding is deleted. As a workaround, run the following command to delete the remaining pods:

\$ oc delete pods -l compliance.openshift.io/scan-name=ocp4-cis

(BZ#2092913)

# 5.1.3. OpenShift Compliance Operator 0.1.49

The following advisory is available for the OpenShift Compliance Operator 0.1.49:

• RHBA-2022:1148 - OpenShift Compliance Operator bug fix and enhancement update

## 5.1.3.1. Bug fixes

- Previously, the openshift-compliance content did not include platform-specific checks for network types. As a result, OVN- and SDN-specific checks would show as failed instead of notapplicable based on the network configuration. Now, new rules contain platform checks for networking rules, resulting in a more accurate assessment of network-specific checks. (BZ#1994609)
- Previously, the ocp4-moderate-routes-protected-by-tls rule incorrectly checked TLS settings
  that results in the rule failing the check, even if the connection secure SSL TLS protocol. Now,
  the check will properly evaluate TLS settings that are consistent with the networking guidance
  and profile recommendations. (BZ#2002695)
- Previously, ocp-cis-configure-network-policies-namespace used pagination when requesting namespaces. This caused the rule to fail because the deployments truncated lists of more than 500 namespaces. Now, the entire namespace list is requested, and the rule for checking configured network policies will work for deployments with more than 500 namespaces. (BZ#2038909)
- Previously, remediations using the **sshd jinja** macros were hard-coded to specific sshd
  configurations. As a result, the configurations were inconsistent with the content the rules were
  checking for and the check would fail. Now, the sshd configuration is parameterized and the
  rules apply successfully. (BZ#2049141)
- Previously, the ocp4-cluster-version-operator-verify-integrity always checked the first entry
  in the Cluter Version Operator (CVO) history. As a result, the upgrade would fail in situations
  where subsequent versions of {product-name} would be verified. Now, the compliance check
  result for ocp4-cluster-version-operator-verify-integrity is able to detect verified versions and
  is accurate with the CVO history. (BZ#2053602)
- Previously, the ocp4-api-server-no-adm-ctrl-plugins-disabled rule did not check for a list of
  empty admission controller plug-ins. As a result, the rule would always fail, even if all admission
  plug-ins were enabled. Now, more robust checking of the ocp4-api-server-no-adm-ctrlplugins-disabled rule will accurately pass with all admission controller plug-ins enabled.
  (BZ#2058631)

Previously, scans did not contain platform checks for running against Linux worker nodes. As a
result, running scans against worker nodes that were not Linux-based resulted in a never ending
scan loop. Now, the scan will schedule appropriately based on platform type and labels and will
completely successfully. (BZ#2056911)

# 5.1.4. OpenShift Compliance Operator 0.1.48

The following advisory is available for the OpenShift Compliance Operator 0.1.48:

RHBA-2022:0416 - OpenShift Compliance Operator bug fix and enhancement update

# 5.1.4.1. Bug fixes

- Previously, some rules associated with extended Open Vulnerability and Assessment Language (OVAL) definitions had a **checkType** of **None**. This was because the Compliance Operator was not processing extended OVAL definitions when parsing rules. With this update, content from extended OVAL definitions is parsed so that these rules now have a **checkType** of either **Node** or **Platform**. (BZ#2040282)
- Previously, a manually created MachineConfig object for KubeletConfig prevented a
   KubeletConfig object from being generated for remediation, leaving the remediation in the
   Pending state. With this release, a KubeletConfig object is created by the remediation,
   regardless if there is a manually created MachineConfig object for KubeletConfig. As a result,
   KubeletConfig remediations now work as expected. (BZ#2040401)

# 5.1.5. OpenShift Compliance Operator 0.1.47

The following advisory is available for the OpenShift Compliance Operator 0.1.47:

• RHBA-2022:0014 - OpenShift Compliance Operator bug fix and enhancement update

#### 5.1.5.1. New features and enhancements

- The Compliance Operator now supports the following compliance benchmarks for the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS):
  - o ocp4-pci-dss
  - o ocp4-pci-dss-node
- Additional rules and remediations for FedRAMP moderate impact level are added to the OCP4moderate, OCP4-moderate-node, and rhcos4-moderate profiles.
- Remediations for KubeletConfig are now available in node-level profiles.

## 5.1.5.2. Bug fixes

Previously, if your cluster was running OpenShift Container Platform 4.6 or earlier, remediations
for USBGuard-related rules would fail for the moderate profile. This is because the
remediations created by the Compliance Operator were based on an older version of USBGuard
that did not support drop-in directories. Now, invalid remediations for USBGuard-related rules
are not created for clusters running OpenShift Container Platform 4.6. If your cluster is using
OpenShift Container Platform 4.6, you must manually create remediations for USBGuardrelated rules.

Additionally, remediations are created only for rules that satisfy minimum version requirements. (BZ#1965511)

Previously, when rendering remediations, the compliance operator would check that the remediation was well-formed by using a regular expression that was too strict. As a result, some remediations, such as those that render **sshd\_config**, would not pass the regular expression check and therefore, were not created. The regular expression was found to be unnecessary and removed. Remediations now render correctly. (BZ#2033009)

# 5.1.6. OpenShift Compliance Operator 0.1.44

The following advisory is available for the OpenShift Compliance Operator 0.1.44:

• RHBA-2021:4530 - OpenShift Compliance Operator bug fix and enhancement update

#### 5.1.6.1. New features and enhancements

- In this release, the strictNodeScan option is now added to the ComplianceScan, ComplianceSuite and ScanSetting CRs. This option defaults to true which matches the previous behavior, where an error occurred if a scan was not able to be scheduled on a node. Setting the option to false allows the Compliance Operator to be more permissive about scheduling scans. Environments with ephemeral nodes can set the strictNodeScan value to false, which allows a compliance scan to proceed, even if some of the nodes in the cluster are not available for scheduling.
- You can now customize the node that is used to schedule the result server workload by configuring the nodeSelector and tolerations attributes of the ScanSetting object. These attributes are used to place the ResultServer pod, the pod that is used to mount a PV storage volume and store the raw Asset Reporting Format (ARF) results. Previously, the nodeSelector and the tolerations parameters defaulted to selecting one of the control plane nodes and tolerating the node-role.kubernetes.io/master taint. This did not work in environments where control plane nodes are not permitted to mount PVs. This feature provides a way for you to select the node and tolerate a different taint in those environments.
- The Compliance Operator can now remediate **KubeletConfig** objects.
- A comment containing an error message is now added to help content developers differentiate between objects that do not exist in the cluster versus objects that cannot be fetched.
- Rule objects now contain two new attributes, checkType and description. These attributes
  allow you to determine if the rule pertains to a node check or platform check, and also allow you
  to review what the rule does.
- This enhancement removes the requirement that you have to extend an existing profile in order
  to create a tailored profile. This means the extends field in the TailoredProfile CRD is no
  longer mandatory. You can now select a list of rule objects to create a tailored profile. Note that
  you must select whether your profile applies to nodes or the platform by setting the
  compliance.openshift.io/product-type: annotation or by setting the -node suffix for the
  TailoredProfile CR.
- In this release, the Compliance Operator is now able to schedule scans on all nodes irrespective
  of their taints. Previously, the scan pods would only tolerated the noderole.kubernetes.io/master taint, meaning that they would either ran on nodes with no taints or
  only on nodes with the node-role.kubernetes.io/master taint. In deployments that use custom
  taints for their nodes, this resulted in the scans not being scheduled on those nodes. Now, the
  scan pods tolerate all node taints.

- In this release, the Compliance Operator supports the following North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) security profiles:
  - o ocp4-nerc-cip
  - o ocp4-nerc-cip-node
  - rhcos4-nerc-cip
- In this release, the Compliance Operator supports the NIST 800-53 Moderate-Impact Baseline for the Red Hat OpenShift Node level, ocp4-moderate-node, security profile.

# 5.1.6.2. Templating and variable use

- In this release, the remediation template now allows multi-value variables.
- With this update, the Compliance Operator can change remediations based on variables that
  are set in the compliance profile. This is useful for remediations that include deploymentspecific values such as time outs, NTP server host names, or similar. Additionally, the
  ComplianceCheckResult objects now use the label compliance.openshift.io/check-hasvalue that lists the variables a check has used.

## 5.1.6.3. Bug fixes

- Previously, while performing a scan, an unexpected termination occurred in one of the scanner containers of the pods. In this release, the Compliance Operator uses the latest OpenSCAP version 1.3.5 to avoid a crash.
- Previously, using autoReplyRemediations to apply remediations triggered an update of the
  cluster nodes. This was disruptive if some of the remediations did not include all of the required
  input variables. Now, if a remediation is missing one or more required input variables, it is
  assigned a state of NeedsReview. If one or more remediations are in a NeedsReview state, the
  machine config pool remains paused, and the remediations are not applied until all of the
  required variables are set. This helps minimize disruption to the nodes.
- The RBAC Role and Role Binding used for Prometheus metrics are changed to 'ClusterRole' and 'ClusterRoleBinding' to ensure that monitoring works without customization.
- Previously, if an error occurred while parsing a profile, rules or variables objects were removed and deleted from the profile. Now, if an error occurs during parsing, the **profileparser** annotates the object with a temporary annotation that prevents the object from being deleted until after parsing completes. (BZ#1988259)
- Previously, an error occurred if titles or descriptions were missing from a tailored profile.
   Because the XCCDF standard requires titles and descriptions for tailored profiles, titles and descriptions are now required to be set in **TailoredProfile** CRs.
- Previously, when using tailored profiles, **TailoredProfile** variable values were allowed to be set using only a specific selection set. This restriction is now removed, and **TailoredProfile** variables can be set to any value.

## 5.1.7. Release Notes for Compliance Operator 0.1.39

The following advisory is available for the OpenShift Compliance Operator 0.1.39:

• RHBA-2021:3214 - OpenShift Compliance Operator bug fix and enhancement update

#### 5.1.7.1. New features and enhancements

- Previously, the Compliance Operator was unable to parse Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) references. Now, the Operator can parse compliance content that ships with PCI DSS profiles.
- Previously, the Compliance Operator was unable to execute rules for AU-5 control in the
  moderate profile. Now, permission is added to the Operator so that it can read
  Prometheusrules.monitoring.coreos.com objects and run the rules that cover AU-5 control in
  the moderate profile.

#### 5.1.8. Additional resources

• Understanding the Compliance Operator

## 5.2. SUPPORTED COMPLIANCE PROFILES

There are several profiles available as part of the Compliance Operator (CO) installation.

# 5.2.1. Compliance profiles

The Compliance Operator provides the following compliance profiles:

Table 5.1. Supported compliance profiles

Profil e	Profile title	Comp liance Opera tor versio n	Industry compliance benchmark	Suppo rted archit ectur es
ocp4- cis	CIS Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform 4 Benchmark	0.1.39	CIS Benchmarks ™ footnote:cisbenchmark[To locate the CIS RedHat OpenShift Container Platform v4 Benchmark, go to CIS Benchmarks and type <b>Kubernetes</b> in the search box. Click on <b>Kubernetes</b> and then <b>Download Latest CIS Benchmark</b> , where you can then register to download the benchmark.]	x86_ 64 ppc6 4le s390 x
ocp4- cis- node	CIS Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform 4 Benchmark	0.1.39	CIS Benchmarks ™ footnote:cisbenchmark[]	x86_ 64 ppc6 4le s390 x
ocp4- e8	Australian Cyber Security Centre (ACSC) Essential Eight	0.1.39	ACSC Hardening Linux Workstations and Servers	x86_ 64

Profil e	Profile title	Comp liance Opera tor versio n	Industry compliance benchmark	Suppo rted archit ectur es
ocp4- moder ate	NIST 800-53 Moderate-Impact Baseline for Red Hat OpenShift - Platform level	0.1.39	NIST SP-800-53 Release Search	x86_ 64
rhcos 4-e8	Australian Cyber Security Centre (ACSC) Essential Eight	0.1.39	ACSC Hardening Linux Workstations and Servers	x86_ 64
rhcos 4- moder ate	NIST 800-53 Moderate-Impact Baseline for Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS	0.1.39	NIST SP-800-53 Release Search	x86_ 64
ocp4- moder ate- node	NIST 800-53 Moderate-Impact Baseline for Red Hat OpenShift - Node level	0.1.44	NIST SP-800-53 Release Search	x86_ 64
ocp4- nerc- cip	North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) cybersecurity standards profile for the Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform - Platform level	0.1.44	NERC CIP Standards	x86_ 64
ocp4- nerc- cip- node	North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) cybersecurity standards profile for the Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform - Node level	0.1.44	NERC CIP Standards	x86_ 64
rhcos 4- nerc- cip	North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) cybersecurity standards profile for Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS	0.1.44	NERC CIP Standards	x86_ 64
ocp4- pci- dss	PCI-DSS v3.2.1 Control Baseline for Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform 4	0.1.47	PCI Security Standards ® Council Document Library	x86_ 64

Profil e	Profile title	Comp liance Opera tor versio n	Industry compliance benchmark	Suppo rted archit ectur es
ocp4- pci- dss- node	PCI-DSS v3.2.1 Control Baseline for Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform 4	0.1.47	PCI Security Standards ® Council Document Library	x86_ 64
ocp4- high	NIST 800-53 High-Impact Baseline for Red Hat OpenShift - Platform level	0.1.52	NIST SP-800-53 Release Search	x86_ 64
ocp4- high- node	NIST 800-53 High-Impact Baseline for Red Hat OpenShift - Node level	0.1.52	NIST SP-800-53 Release Search	x86_ 64
rhcos 4-high	NIST 800-53 High-Impact Baseline for Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS	0.1.52	NIST SP-800-53 Release Search	x86_ 64

## 5.2.2. Additional resources

• For more information about viewing the compliance profiles available in your system, see Compliance Operator profiles in Understanding the Compliance Operator.

## 5.3. INSTALLING THE COMPLIANCE OPERATOR

Before you can use the Compliance Operator, you must ensure it is deployed in the cluster.

## 5.3.1. Installing the Compliance Operator through the web console

## **Prerequisites**

• You must have **admin** privileges.

#### Procedure

- 1. In the OpenShift Container Platform web console, navigate to **Operators** → **OperatorHub**.
- 2. Search for the Compliance Operator, then click Install.
- 3. Keep the default selection of **Installation mode** and **namespace** to ensure that the Operator will be installed to the **openshift-compliance** namespace.
- 4. Click Install.

## Verification

To confirm that the installation is successful:

- 1. Navigate to the **Operators** → **Installed Operators** page.
- 2. Check that the Compliance Operator is installed in the **openshift-compliance** namespace and its status is **Succeeded**.

If the Operator is not installed successfully:

- 1. Navigate to the **Operators** → **Installed Operators** page and inspect the **Status** column for any errors or failures.
- 2. Navigate to the **Workloads** → **Pods** page and check the logs in any pods in the **openshift-compliance** project that are reporting issues.

# 5.3.2. Installing the Compliance Operator using the CLI

## **Prerequisites**

• You must have **admin** privileges.

#### Procedure

1. Define a **Namespace** object:

## Example namespace-object.yaml

apiVersion: v1 kind: Namespace metadata: labels:

openshift.io/cluster-monitoring: "true"

name: openshift-compliance

2. Create the Namespace object:

\$ oc create -f namespace-object.yaml

3. Define an **OperatorGroup** object:

## Example operator-group-object.yaml

apiVersion: operators.coreos.com/v1

kind: OperatorGroup metadata:

name: compliance-operator

namespace: openshift-compliance

spec:

targetNamespaces:

- openshift-compliance

4. Create the **OperatorGroup** object:

\$ oc create -f operator-group-object.yaml

5. Define a **Subscription** object:

## Example subscription-object.yaml

apiVersion: operators.coreos.com/v1alpha1

kind: Subscription

metadata:

name: compliance-operator-sub namespace: openshift-compliance

spec:

channel: "release-0.1"

installPlanApproval: Automatic name: compliance-operator source: redhat-operators

sourceNamespace: openshift-marketplace

6. Create the **Subscription** object:

\$ oc create -f subscription-object.yaml



#### **NOTE**

If you are setting the global scheduler feature and enable **defaultNodeSelector**, you must create the namespace manually and update the annotations of the **openshift-compliance** namespace, or the namespace where the Compliance Operator was installed, with **openshift.io/node-selector:** "". This removes the default node selector and prevents deployment failures.

#### Verification

- 1. Verify the installation succeeded by inspecting the CSV file:
  - \$ oc get csv -n openshift-compliance
- 2. Verify that the Compliance Operator is up and running:
  - \$ oc get deploy -n openshift-compliance

#### 5.3.3. Additional resources

• The Compliance Operator is supported in a restricted network environment. For more information, see Using Operator Lifecycle Manager on restricted networks.

## 5.4. COMPLIANCE OPERATOR SCANS

The **ScanSetting** and **ScanSettingBinding** APIs are recommended to run compliance scans with the Compliance Operator. For more information on these API objects, run:

\$ oc explain scansettings

or

\$ oc explain scansettingbindings

# 5.4.1. Running compliance scans

You can run a scan using the Center for Internet Security (CIS) profiles. For convenience, the Compliance Operator creates a **ScanSetting** object with reasonable defaults on startup. This **ScanSetting** object is named **default**.



#### **NOTE**

For all-in-one control plane and worker nodes, the compliance scan runs twice on the worker and control plane nodes. The compliance scan might generate inconsistent scan results. You can avoid inconsistent results by defining only a single role in the **ScanSetting** object.

#### **Procedure**

1. Inspect the **ScanSetting** object by running:

\$ oc describe scansettings default -n openshift-compliance

## **Example output**

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: ScanSetting

metadata:

name: default

namespace: openshift-compliance

pvAccessModes:

rawResultStorage:

- ReadWriteOnce 1

rotation: 3 2

size: 1Gi 3

roles:

- worker 4

- master 5

scanTolerations: 6

default:

- operator: Exists

schedule: 0 1 \* \* \* 7

- The Compliance Operator creates a persistent volume (PV) that contains the results of the scans. By default, the PV will use access mode **ReadWriteOnce** because the Compliance Operator cannot make any assumptions about the storage classes configured on the cluster. Additionally, **ReadWriteOnce** access mode is available on most clusters. If you need to fetch the scan results, you can do so by using a helper pod, which also binds the volume. Volumes that use the **ReadWriteOnce** access mode can be mounted by only one pod at time, so it is important to remember to delete the helper pods. Otherwise, the Compliance Operator will not be able to reuse the volume for subsequent scans.
- The Compliance Operator keeps results of three subsequent scans in the volume; older scans are rotated.

- 3 The Compliance Operator will allocate one GB of storage for the scan results.
- 4 5 If the scan setting uses any profiles that scan cluster nodes, scan these node roles.
- The default scan setting object also scans all the nodes.
- The default scan setting object runs scans at 01:00 each day.

As an alternative to the default scan setting, you can use **default-auto-apply**, which has the following settings:

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: ScanSetting metadata: name: default-auto-apply namespace: openshift-compliance autoUpdateRemediations: true 1 autoApplyRemediations: true 2 rawResultStorage: pvAccessModes: - ReadWriteOnce rotation: 3 size: 1Gi schedule: 0 1 \* \* \* roles: - worker - master scanTolerations: default: - operator: Exists

- Setting autoUpdateRemediations and autoApplyRemediations flags to true allows you to easily create ScanSetting objects that auto-remediate without extra steps.
- 2. Create a **ScanSettingBinding** object that binds to the default **ScanSetting** object and scans the cluster using the **cis** and **cis-node** profiles. For example:

```
apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: ScanSettingBinding
metadata:
 name: cis-compliance
 namespace: openshift-compliance
profiles:
 - name: ocp4-cis-node
  kind: Profile
  apiGroup: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1
 - name: ocp4-cis
  kind: Profile
  apiGroup: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1
settingsRef:
 name: default
 kind: ScanSetting
 apiGroup: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1
```

3. Create the **ScanSettingBinding** object by running:

\$ oc create -f <file-name>.yaml -n openshift-compliance

At this point in the process, the **ScanSettingBinding** object is reconciled and based on the **Binding** and the **Bound** settings. The Compliance Operator creates a **ComplianceSuite** object and the associated **ComplianceScan** objects.

4. Follow the compliance scan progress by running:

\$ oc get compliancescan -w -n openshift-compliance

The scans progress through the scanning phases and eventually reach the **DONE** phase when complete. In most cases, the result of the scan is **NON-COMPLIANT**. You can review the scan results and start applying remediations to make the cluster compliant. See Managing Compliance Operator remediation for more information.

# 5.4.2. Scheduling the result server pod on a worker node

The result server pod mounts the persistent volume (PV) that stores the raw Asset Reporting Format (ARF) scan results. The **nodeSelector** and **tolerations** attributes enable you to configure the location of the result server pod.

This is helpful for those environments where control plane nodes are not permitted to mount persistent volumes.

#### **Procedure**

- Create a **ScanSetting** custom resource (CR) for the Compliance Operator:
  - a. Define the ScanSetting CR, and save the YAML file, for example, rs-workers.yaml:

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: ScanSetting metadata: name: rs-on-workers namespace: openshift-compliance rawResultStorage: nodeSelector: node-role.kubernetes.io/worker: "" 1 pvAccessModes: - ReadWriteOnce rotation: 3 size: 1Gi tolerations: - operator: Exists 2 roles: - worker - master scanTolerations: - operator: Exists schedule: 0 1 \* \* \*

The Compliance Operator uses this node to store scan results in ARF format.

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The result server pod tolerates all taints.

b. To create the **ScanSetting** CR, run the following command:

\$ oc create -f rs-workers.yaml

#### Verification

• To verify that the **ScanSetting** object is created, run the following command:

\$ oc get scansettings rs-on-workers -n openshift-compliance -o yaml

# **Example output**

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: ScanSetting

metadata:

creationTimestamp: "2021-11-19T19:36:36Z"

generation: 1

name: rs-on-workers

namespace: openshift-compliance

resourceVersion: "48305"

uid: 43fdfc5f-15a7-445a-8bbc-0e4a160cd46e

rawResultStorage: nodeSelector:

node-role.kubernetes.io/worker: ""

pvAccessModes:

- ReadWriteOnce

rotation: 3 size: 1Gi tolerations:

- operator: Exists

roles:

- worker

- master

scanTolerations:

- operator: Exists schedule: 0 1 \* \* \* strictNodeScan: true

## 5.5. UNDERSTANDING THE COMPLIANCE OPERATOR

The Compliance Operator lets OpenShift Container Platform administrators describe the required compliance state of a cluster and provides them with an overview of gaps and ways to remediate them. The Compliance Operator assesses compliance of both the Kubernetes API resources of OpenShift Container Platform, as well as the nodes running the cluster. The Compliance Operator uses OpenSCAP, a NIST-certified tool, to scan and enforce security policies provided by the content.



#### **IMPORTANT**

The Compliance Operator is available for Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) deployments only.

# 5.5.1. Compliance Operator profiles

There are several profiles available as part of the Compliance Operator installation. You can use the **oc get** command to view available profiles, profile details, and specific rules.

• View the available profiles:

\$ oc get -n <namespace> profiles.compliance

This example displays the profiles in the default **openshift-compliance** namespace:

\$ oc get -n openshift-compliance profiles.compliance

### Example output

NAME AGE ocp4-cis 32m ocp4-cis-node 32m ocp4-e8 32m 32m ocp4-moderate ocp4-moderate-node 32m ocp4-nerc-cip 32m ocp4-nerc-cip-node 32m ocp4-pci-dss 32m ocp4-pci-dss-node 32m rhcos4-e8 32m rhcos4-moderate 32m 32m rhcos4-nerc-cip

These profiles represent different compliance benchmarks. Each profile has the product name that it applies to added as a prefix to the profile's name. **ocp4-e8** applies the Essential 8 benchmark to the OpenShift Container Platform product, while **rhcos4-e8** applies the Essential 8 benchmark to the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) product.

View the details of a profile:

\$ oc get -n <namespace> -oyaml profiles.compliance <profile name>

This example displays the details of the **rhcos4-e8** profile:

\$ oc get -n openshift-compliance -oyaml profiles.compliance rhcos4-e8

#### Example output

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1
description: |This profile contains configuration checks for Red Hat
Enterprise Linux CoreOS that align to the Australian
Cyber Security Centre (ACSC) Essential Eight.
A copy of the Essential Eight in Linux Environments guide can
be found at the ACSC website: ...
id: xccdf\_org.ssgproject.content\_profile\_e8
kind: Profile
metadata:

#### annotations:

compliance.openshift.io/image-digest: pb-rhcos426smj

compliance.openshift.io/product: redhat\_enterprise\_linux\_coreos\_4

compliance.openshift.io/product-type: Node

labels:

compliance.openshift.io/profile-bundle: rhcos4

name: rhcos4-e8

namespace: openshift-compliance

ownerReferences:

- apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

blockOwnerDeletion: true

controller: true kind: ProfileBundle name: rhcos4

#### rules:

- rhcos4-accounts-no-uid-except-zero
- rhcos4-audit-rules-dac-modification-chmod
- rhcos4-audit-rules-dac-modification-chown
- rhcos4-audit-rules-execution-chcon
- rhcos4-audit-rules-execution-restorecon
- rhcos4-audit-rules-execution-semanage
- rhcos4-audit-rules-execution-setfiles
- rhcos4-audit-rules-execution-setsebool
- rhcos4-audit-rules-execution-seunshare
- rhcos4-audit-rules-kernel-module-loading-delete
- rhcos4-audit-rules-kernel-module-loading-finit
- rhcos4-audit-rules-kernel-module-loading-init
- rhcos4-audit-rules-login-events
- rhcos4-audit-rules-login-events-faillock
- rhcos4-audit-rules-login-events-lastlog
- rhcos4-audit-rules-login-events-tallylog
- rhcos4-audit-rules-networkconfig-modification
- rhcos4-audit-rules-sysadmin-actions
- rhcos4-audit-rules-time-adjtimex
- rhcos4-audit-rules-time-clock-settime
- rhcos4-audit-rules-time-settimeofday
- rhcos4-audit-rules-time-stime
- rhcos4-audit-rules-time-watch-localtime
- rhcos4-audit-rules-usergroup-modification
- rhcos4-auditd-data-retention-flush
- rhcos4-auditd-freq
- rhcos4-auditd-local-events
- rhcos4-auditd-log-format
- rhcos4-auditd-name-format
- rhcos4-auditd-write-logs
- rhcos4-configure-crypto-policy
- rhcos4-configure-ssh-crypto-policy
- rhcos4-no-empty-passwords
- rhcos4-selinux-policytype
- rhcos4-selinux-state
- rhcos4-service-auditd-enabled
- rhcos4-sshd-disable-empty-passwords
- rhcos4-sshd-disable-gssapi-auth
- rhcos4-sshd-disable-rhosts
- rhcos4-sshd-disable-root-login
- rhcos4-sshd-disable-user-known-hosts

- rhcos4-sshd-do-not-permit-user-env
- rhcos4-sshd-enable-strictmodes
- rhcos4-sshd-print-last-log
- rhcos4-sshd-set-loglevel-info
- rhcos4-sysctl-kernel-dmesg-restrict
- rhcos4-sysctl-kernel-kptr-restrict
- rhcos4-sysctl-kernel-randomize-va-space
- rhcos4-sysctl-kernel-unprivileged-bpf-disabled
- rhcos4-sysctl-kernel-yama-ptrace-scope
- rhcos4-sysctl-net-core-bpf-jit-harden

title: Australian Cyber Security Centre (ACSC) Essential Eight

• View the rules within a desired profile:

\$ oc get -n <namespace> -oyaml rules.compliance <rule\_name>

This example displays the **rhcos4-audit-rules-login-events** rule in the **rhcos4** profile:

\$ oc get -n openshift-compliance -oyaml rules.compliance rhcos4-audit-rules-login-events

# **Example output**

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1 checkType: Node description: |-

The audit system already collects login information for all users and root. If the auditd daemon is configured to use the augenrules program to read audit rules during daemon startup (the default), add the following lines to a file with suffix.rules in the directory /etc/audit/rules.d in order to watch for attempted manual edits of files involved in storing logon events:

- -w /var/log/tallylog -p wa -k logins
- -w /var/run/faillock -p wa -k logins
- -w /var/log/lastlog -p wa -k logins

If the auditd daemon is configured to use the auditctl utility to read audit rules during daemon startup, add the following lines to /etc/audit/audit.rules file in order to watch for unattempted manual edits of files involved in storing logon events:

```
-w /var/log/tallylog -p wa -k logins
```

- -w /var/run/faillock -p wa -k logins
- -w /var/log/lastlog -p wa -k logins

id: xccdf\_org.ssgproject.content\_rule\_audit\_rules\_login\_events

kind: Rule metadata:

annotations:

compliance.openshift.io/image-digest: pb-rhcos426smj

compliance.openshift.io/rule: audit-rules-login-events

control.compliance.openshift.io/NIST-800-53: AU-2(d);AU-12(c);AC-6(9);CM-6(a)

control.compliance.openshift.io/PCI-DSS: Req-10.2.3

policies.open-cluster-management.io/controls: AU-2(d),AU-12(c),AC-6(9),CM-6(a),Req-

policies.open-cluster-management.io/standards: NIST-800-53,PCI-DSS

labels:

compliance.openshift.io/profile-bundle: rhcos4

name: rhcos4-audit-rules-login-events namespace: openshift-compliance

ownerReferences:

- apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

blockOwnerDeletion: true

controller: true kind: ProfileBundle name: rhcos4

rationale: Manual editing of these files may indicate nefarious activity, such as

an attacker attempting to remove evidence of an intrusion.

severity: medium

title: Record Attempts to Alter Logon and Logout Events

warning: Manual editing of these files may indicate nefarious activity, such as an attacker

attempting to remove evidence of an intrusion.

## 5.6. MANAGING THE COMPLIANCE OPERATOR

This section describes the lifecycle of security content, including how to use an updated version of compliance content and how to create a custom **ProfileBundle** object.

# 5.6.1. Updating security content

Security content is shipped as container images that the **ProfileBundle** objects refer to. To accurately track updates to **ProfileBundles** and the custom resources parsed from the bundles such as rules or profiles, identify the container image with the compliance content using a digest instead of a tag:

# Example output

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: ProfileBundle

metadata:

name: rhcos4

spec:

contentImage: quay.io/user/ocp4-openscap-

content@sha256:a1749f5150b19a9560a5732fe48a89f07bffc79c0832aa8c49ee5504590ae687 1

contentFile: ssg-rhcos4-ds.xml



Each **ProfileBundle** is backed by a deployment. When the Compliance Operator detects that the container image digest has changed, the deployment is updated to reflect the change and parse the content again. Using the digest instead of a tag ensures that you use a stable and predictable set of profiles.

### 5.6.2. Using image streams

The **contentImage** reference points to a valid **ImageStreamTag**, and the Compliance Operator ensures that the content stays up to date automatically.



NOTE

ProfileBundle objects also accept ImageStream references.

## Example image stream

\$ oc get is -n openshift-compliance

## Example output

NAME IMAGE REPOSITORY TAGS UPDATED openscap-ocp4-ds image-registry.openshift-image-registry.svc:5000/openshift-compliance/openscap-ocp4-ds latest 32 seconds ago

#### **Procedure**

1. Ensure that the lookup policy is set to local:

```
$ oc patch is openscap-ocp4-ds \
   -p '{"spec":{"lookupPolicy":{"local":true}}}' \
   --type=merge
   imagestream.image.openshift.io/openscap-ocp4-ds patched
   -n openshift-compliance
```

2. Use the name of the **ImageStreamTag** for the **ProfileBundle** by retrieving the **istag** name:

\$ oc get istag -n openshift-compliance

## **Example output**

```
NAME IMAGE REFERENCE
UPDATED
openscap-ocp4-ds:latest image-registry.openshift-image-registry.svc:5000/openshift-compliance/openscap-ocp4-
ds@sha256:46d7ca9b7055fe56ade818ec3e62882cfcc2d27b9bf0d1cbae9f4b6df2710c96 3 minutes ago
```

3. Create the ProfileBundle:

```
$ cat << EOF | oc create -f -
apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: ProfileBundle
metadata:
name: mybundle
spec:
contentImage: openscap-ocp4-ds:latest
contentFile: ssg-rhcos4-ds.xml
EOF
```

This **ProfileBundle** will track the image and any changes that are applied to it, such as updating the tag to point to a different hash, will immediately be reflected in the **ProfileBundle**.

# 5.6.3. ProfileBundle CR example

The bundle object needs two pieces of information: the URL of a container image that contains the

**contentImage** and the file that contains the compliance content. The **contentFile** parameter is relative to the root of the file system. The built-in **rhcos4 ProfileBundle** object can be defined in the example below:

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: ProfileBundle

metadata: name: rhcos4

spec:

contentImage: quay.io/complianceascode/ocp4:latest 1

contentFile: ssg-rhcos4-ds.xml 2

Content image location.

Location of the file containing the compliance content.



#### **IMPORTANT**

The base image used for the content images must include **coreutils**.

### 5.6.4. Additional resources

• The Compliance Operator is supported in a restricted network environment. For more information, see Using Operator Lifecycle Manager on restricted networks.

## 5.7. TAILORING THE COMPLIANCE OPERATOR

While the Compliance Operator comes with ready-to-use profiles, they must be modified in order to fit the organizations' needs and requirements. The process of modifying a profile is called *tailoring*.

The Compliance Operator provides an object to easily tailor profiles called a **TailoredProfile**. This assumes that you are extending a pre-existing profile, and allows you to enable and disable rules and values which come from the **ProfileBundle**.



#### NOTE

You will only be able to use rules and variables that are available as part of the **ProfileBundle** that the profile you want to extend belongs to.

## 5.7.1. Using tailored profiles

While the **TailoredProfile** CR enables the most common tailoring operations, the XCCDF standard allows even more flexibility in tailoring OpenSCAP profiles. In addition, if your organization has been using OpenScap previously, you may have an existing XCCDF tailoring file and can reuse it.

The **ComplianceSuite** object contains an optional **TailoringConfigMap** attribute that you can point to a custom tailoring file. The value of the **TailoringConfigMap** attribute is a name of a config map, which must contain a key called **tailoring.xml** and the value of this key is the tailoring contents.

#### Procedure

1. Browse the available rules for the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) **ProfileBundle**:

\$ oc get rules.compliance -n openshift-compliance -l compliance.openshift.io/profile-bundle=rhcos4

2. Browse the available variables in the same **ProfileBundle**:

\$ oc get variables.compliance -n openshift-compliance -l compliance.openshift.io/profile-bundle=rhcos4

- 3. Create a tailored profile named **nist-moderate-modified**:
  - a. Choose which rules you want to add to the **nist-moderate-modified** tailored profile. This example extends the **rhcos4-moderate** profile by disabling two rules and changing one value. Use the **rationale** value to describe why these changes were made:

## Example new-profile-node.yaml

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: TailoredProfile

metadata:

name: nist-moderate-modified

spec:

extends: rhcos4-moderate

description: NIST moderate profile title: My modified NIST moderate profile

disableRules:

name: rhcos4-file-permissions-var-log-messages
 rationale: The file contains logs of error messages in the system

 name: rhcos4-account-disable-post-pw-expiration rationale: No need to check this as it comes from the IdP setValues:

 name: rhcos4-var-selinux-state rationale: Organizational requirements

value: permissive

Table 5.2. Attributes for spec variables

Attribute	Description
extends	Name of the <b>Profile</b> object upon which this <b>TailoredProfile</b> is built.
title	Human-readable title of the <b>TailoredProfile</b> .
disableRules	A list of name and rationale pairs. Each name refers to a name of a rule object that is to be disabled. The rationale value is human-readable text describing why the rule is disabled.
enableRules	A list of name and rationale pairs. Each name refers to a name of a rule object that is to be enabled. The rationale value is human-readable text describing why the rule is enabled.
description	Human-readable text describing the <b>TailoredProfile</b> .

Attribute	Description
setValues	A list of name, rationale, and value groupings. Each name refers to a name of the value set. The rationale is human-readable text describing the set. The value is the actual setting.

b. Create the TailoredProfile object:

\$ oc create -n openshift-compliance -f new-profile-node.yaml

The **TailoredProfile** object is created in the default **openshift-compliance** namespace.

## **Example output**

tailoredprofile.compliance.openshift.io/nist-moderate-modified created

4. Define the **ScanSettingBinding** object to bind the new **nist-moderate-modified** tailored profile to the default **ScanSetting** object.

## Example new-scansettingbinding.yaml

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: ScanSettingBinding

metadata:

name: nist-moderate-modified

profiles:

- apiGroup: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: Profile

name: ocp4-moderate

- apiGroup: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: TailoredProfile

name: nist-moderate-modified

settingsRef:

apiGroup: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: ScanSetting name: default

# 5. Create the **ScanSettingBinding** object:

\$ oc create -n openshift-compliance -f new-scansettingbinding.yaml

## Example output

scansettingbinding.compliance.openshift.io/nist-moderate-modified created

## 5.8. RETRIEVING COMPLIANCE OPERATOR RAW RESULTS

When proving compliance for your OpenShift Container Platform cluster, you might need to provide the scan results for auditing purposes.

## 5.8.1. Obtaining Compliance Operator raw results from a persistent volume

#### **Procedure**

The Compliance Operator generates and stores the raw results in a persistent volume. These results are in Asset Reporting Format (ARF).

1. Explore the **ComplianceSuite** object:

This shows the persistent volume claims where the raw results are accessible.

2. Verify the raw data location by using the name and namespace of one of the results:

\$ oc get pvc -n openshift-compliance rhcos4-moderate-worker

## **Example output**

```
NAME STATUS VOLUME CAPACITY ACCESS MODES STORAGECLASS AGE rhcos4-moderate-worker Bound pvc-548f6cfe-164b-42fe-ba13-a07cfbc77f3a 1Gi RWO gp2 92m
```

3. Fetch the raw results by spawning a pod that mounts the volume and copying the results:

## Example pod

```
apiVersion: "v1"
kind: Pod
metadata:
name: pv-extract
spec:
containers:
- name: pv-extract-pod
image: registry.access.redhat.com/ubi8/ubi
command: ["sleep", "3000"]
volumeMounts:
- mountPath: "/workers-scan-results"
name: workers-scan-vol
volumes:
```

 name: workers-scan-vol persistentVolumeClaim: claimName: rhcos4-moderate-worker

4. After the pod is running, download the results:

\$ oc cp pv-extract:/workers-scan-results .



#### **IMPORTANT**

Spawning a pod that mounts the persistent volume will keep the claim as **Bound**. If the volume's storage class in use has permissions set to **ReadWriteOnce**, the volume is only mountable by one pod at a time. You must delete the pod upon completion, or it will not be possible for the Operator to schedule a pod and continue storing results in this location.

5. After the extraction is complete, the pod can be deleted:

\$ oc delete pod pv-extract

# 5.9. MANAGING COMPLIANCE OPERATOR RESULT AND REMEDIATION

Each **ComplianceCheckResult** represents a result of one compliance rule check. If the rule can be remediated automatically, a **ComplianceRemediation** object with the same name, owned by the **ComplianceCheckResult** is created. Unless requested, the remediations are not applied automatically, which gives an OpenShift Container Platform administrator the opportunity to review what the remediation does and only apply a remediation once it has been verified.

## 5.9.1. Filters for compliance check results

By default, the **ComplianceCheckResult** objects are labeled with several useful labels that allow you to query the checks and decide on the next steps after the results are generated.

List checks that belong to a specific suite:

\$ oc get compliancecheckresults -l compliance.openshift.io/suite=example-compliancesuite

List checks that belong to a specific scan:

\$ oc get compliancecheckresults -I compliance.openshift.io/scan=example-compliancescan

Not all **ComplianceCheckResult** objects create **ComplianceRemediation** objects. Only **ComplianceCheckResult** objects that can be remediated automatically do. A **ComplianceCheckResult** object has a related remediation if it is labeled with the **compliance.openshift.io/automated-remediation** label. The name of the remediation is the same as the name of the check.

List all failing checks that can be remediated automatically:

\$ oc get compliancecheckresults -I 'compliance.openshift.io/check-status=FAIL,compliance.openshift.io/automated-remediation'

List all failing checks that must be remediated manually:

\$ oc get compliancecheckresults -I 'compliance.openshift.io/check-status=FAIL,!compliance.openshift.io/automated-remediation'

The manual remediation steps are typically stored in the **description** attribute in the **ComplianceCheckResult** object.

Table 5.3. ComplianceCheckResult Status

ComplianceCheckResult Status	Description
PASS	Compliance check ran to completion and passed.
FAIL	Compliance check ran to completion and failed.
INFO	Compliance check ran to completion and found something not severe enough to be considered an error.
MANUAL	Compliance check does not have a way to automatically assess the success or failure and must be checked manually.
INCONSISTENT	Compliance check reports different results from different sources, typically cluster nodes.
ERROR	Compliance check ran, but could not complete properly.
NOT-APPLICABLE	Compliance check did not run because it is not applicable or not selected.

## 5.9.2. Reviewing a remediation

Review both the **ComplianceRemediation** object and the **ComplianceCheckResult** object that owns the remediation. The **ComplianceCheckResult** object contains human-readable descriptions of what the check does and the hardening trying to prevent, as well as other **metadata** like the severity and the associated security controls. The **ComplianceRemediation** object represents a way to fix the problem described in the **ComplianceCheckResult**. After first scan, check for remediations with the state **MissingDependencies**.

Below is an example of a check and a remediation called **sysctl-net-ipv4-conf-all-accept-redirects**. This example is redacted to only show **spec** and **status** and omits **metadata**:

spec:
apply: false
current:
object:
apiVersion: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1
kind: MachineConfig
spec:

```
config:
    ignition:
    version: 3.1.0
    storage:
    files:
        - path: /etc/sysctl.d/75-sysctl_net_ipv4_conf_all_accept_redirects.conf
        mode: 0644
        contents:
        source: data:,net.ipv4.conf.all.accept_redirects%3D0
    outdated: {}
    status:
    applicationState: NotApplied
```

The remediation payload is stored in the **spec.current** attribute. The payload can be any Kubernetes object, but because this remediation was produced by a node scan, the remediation payload in the above example is a **MachineConfig** object. For Platform scans, the remediation payload is often a different kind of an object (for example, a **ConfigMap** or **Secret** object), but typically applying that remediation is up to the administrator, because otherwise the Compliance Operator would have required a very broad set of permissions in order to manipulate any generic Kubernetes object. An example of remediating a Platform check is provided later in the text.

To see exactly what the remediation does when applied, the **MachineConfig** object contents use the Ignition objects for the configuration. Refer to the Ignition specification for further information about the format. In our example, **the spec.config.storage.files[0].path** attribute specifies the file that is being create by this remediation (/etc/sysctl.d/75-sysctl\_net\_ipv4\_conf\_all\_accept\_redirects.conf) and the **spec.config.storage.files[0].contents.source** attribute specifies the contents of that file.



#### NOTE

The contents of the files are URL-encoded.

Use the following Python script to view the contents:

\$ echo "net.ipv4.conf.all.accept\_redirects%3D0" | python3 -c "import sys, urllib.parse; print(urllib.parse.unquote(".join(sys.stdin.readlines())))"

### Example output

net.ipv4.conf.all.accept\_redirects=0

# 5.9.3. Applying remediation when using customized machine config pools

When you create a custom **MachineConfigPool**, add a label to the **MachineConfigPool** so that **machineConfigPoolSelector** present in the **KubeletConfig** can match the label with **MachineConfigPool**.



#### **IMPORTANT**

Do not set **protectKernelDefaults: false** in the **KubeletConfig** file, because the **MachineConfigPool** object might fail to unpause unexpectedly after the Compliance Operator finishes applying remediation.

#### **Procedure**

1. List the nodes.

\$ oc get nodes

## **Example output**

NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION

ip-10-0-128-92.us-east-2.compute.internal Ready worker 5h17m v1.23.3+d99c04f
ip-10-0-158-32.us-east-2.compute.internal Ready worker 5h17m v1.23.3+d99c04f
ip-10-0-166-81.us-east-2.compute.internal Ready worker 5h17m v1.23.3+d99c04f
ip-10-0-171-170.us-east-2.compute.internal Ready master 5h21m v1.23.3+d99c04f
ip-10-0-197-35.us-east-2.compute.internal Ready master 5h22m v1.23.3+d99c04f

2. Add a label to nodes.

\$ oc label node ip-10-0-166-81.us-east-2.compute.internal node-role.kubernetes.io/<machine\_config\_pool\_name>=

## **Example output**

node/ip-10-0-166-81.us-east-2.compute.internal labeled

3. Create custom MachineConfigPool CR.

apiVersion: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1
kind: MachineConfigPool
metadata:
 name: <machine\_config\_pool\_name>
 labels:
 pools.operator.machineconfiguration.openshift.io/<machine\_config\_pool\_name>: " 1
spec:
 machineConfigSelector:
 matchExpressions:
 - {key: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/role, operator: In, values: [worker, <machine\_config\_pool\_name>]}
 nodeSelector:
 matchLabels:
 node-role.kubernetes.io/<machine\_config\_pool\_name>: ""

- The **labels** field defines label name to add for Machine config pool(MCP).
- 4. Verify MCP created successfully.

\$ oc get mcp -w

# 5.9.4. Applying a remediation

The boolean attribute **spec.apply** controls whether the remediation should be applied by the Compliance Operator. You can apply the remediation by setting the attribute to **true**:

\$ oc patch complianceremediations/<scan\_name>-sysctl-net-ipv4-conf-all-accept-redirects --patch '{"spec":{"apply":true}}' --type=merge

After the Compliance Operator processes the applied remediation, the **status.ApplicationState** attribute would change to **Applied** or to **Error** if incorrect. When a machine config remediation is applied, that remediation along with all other applied remediations are rendered into a **MachineConfig** object named **75-\$scan-name-\$suite-name**. That **MachineConfig** object is subsequently rendered by the Machine Config Operator and finally applied to all the nodes in a machine config pool by an instance of the machine control daemon running on each node.

Note that when the Machine Config Operator applies a new **MachineConfig** object to nodes in a pool, all the nodes belonging to the pool are rebooted. This might be inconvenient when applying multiple remediations, each of which re-renders the composite **75-\$scan-name-\$suite-name MachineConfig** object. To prevent applying the remediation immediately, you can pause the machine config pool by setting the **.spec.paused** attribute of a **MachineConfigPool** object to **true**.

The Compliance Operator can apply remediations automatically. Set **autoApplyRemediations: true** in the **ScanSetting** top-level object.



#### **WARNING**

Applying remediations automatically should only be done with careful consideration.

# 5.9.5. Remediating a platform check manually

Checks for Platform scans typically have to be remediated manually by the administrator for two reasons:

- It is not always possible to automatically determine the value that must be set. One of the checks requires that a list of allowed registries is provided, but the scanner has no way of knowing which registries the organization wants to allow.
- Different checks modify different API objects, requiring automated remediation to possess **root** or superuser access to modify objects in the cluster, which is not advised.

#### Procedure

The example below uses the ocp4-ocp-allowed-registries-for-import rule, which would fail on a
default OpenShift Container Platform installation. Inspect the rule oc get
rule.compliance/ocp4-ocp-allowed-registries-for-import -oyaml, the rule is to limit the
registries the users are allowed to import images from by setting the
allowedRegistriesForImport attribute, The warning attribute of the rule also shows the API
object checked, so it can be modified and remediate the issue:

\$ oc edit image.config.openshift.io/cluster

#### **Example output**

apiVersion: config.openshift.io/v1 kind: Image metadata: annotations:

release.openshift.io/create-only: "true" creationTimestamp: "2020-09-10T10:12:54Z"

generation: 2 name: cluster

resourceVersion: "363096"

selfLink: /apis/config.openshift.io/v1/images/cluster uid: 2dcb614e-2f8a-4a23-ba9a-8e33cd0ff77e

spec:

allowedRegistriesForImport:
- domainName: registry.redhat.io

status:

externalRegistryHostnames:

- default-route-openshift-image-registry.apps.user-cluster-09-10-12-

07.devcluster.openshift.com

internalRegistryHostname: image-registry.openshift-image-registry.svc:5000

#### 2. Re-run the scan:

\$ oc annotate compliancescans/<scan\_name> compliance.openshift.io/rescan=

# 5.9.6. Updating remediations

When a new version of compliance content is used, it might deliver a new and different version of a remediation than the previous version. The Compliance Operator will keep the old version of the remediation applied. The OpenShift Container Platform administrator is also notified of the new version to review and apply. A ComplianceRemediation object that had been applied earlier, but was updated changes its status to **Outdated**. The outdated objects are labeled so that they can be searched for easily.

The previously applied remediation contents would then be stored in the **spec.outdated** attribute of a **ComplianceRemediation** object and the new updated contents would be stored in the **spec.current** attribute. After updating the content to a newer version, the administrator then needs to review the remediation. As long as the **spec.outdated** attribute exists, it would be used to render the resulting **MachineConfig** object. After the **spec.outdated** attribute is removed, the Compliance Operator rerenders the resulting **MachineConfig** object, which causes the Operator to push the configuration to the nodes.

#### **Procedure**

1. Search for any outdated remediations:

 $\$ \ oc \ get \ compliance remediations \ -lcompliance operator. open shift. io/out dated-remediation =$ 

## **Example output**

NAME STATE workers-scan-no-empty-passwords Outdated

The currently applied remediation is stored in the **Outdated** attribute and the new, unapplied remediation is stored in the **Current** attribute. If you are satisfied with the new version, remove the **Outdated** field. If you want to keep the updated content, remove the **Current** and **Outdated** attributes.

2. Apply the newer version of the remediation:

\$ oc patch complianceremediations workers-scan-no-empty-passwords --type json -p '[{"op":"remove", "path":/spec/outdated}]'

3. The remediation state will switch from **Outdated** to **Applied**:

\$ oc get compliance remediations workers-scan-no-empty-passwords

## **Example output**

NAME STATE workers-scan-no-empty-passwords Applied

4. The nodes will apply the newer remediation version and reboot.

# 5.9.7. Unapplying a remediation

It might be required to unapply a remediation that was previously applied.

#### Procedure

1. Set the **apply** flag to **false**:

\$ oc patch complianceremediations/<scan\_name>-sysctl-net-ipv4-conf-all-accept-redirects -p '{"spec":{"apply":false}}' --type=merge

2. The remediation status will change to **NotApplied** and the composite **MachineConfig** object would be re-rendered to not include the remediation.



#### **IMPORTANT**

All affected nodes with the remediation will be rebooted.

# 5.9.8. Removing a KubeletConfig remediation

**KubeletConfig** remediations are included in node-level profiles. In order to remove a KubeletConfig remediation, you must manually remove it from the **KubeletConfig** objects. This example demonstrates how to remove the compliance check for the **one-rule-tp-node-master-kubelet-eviction-thresholds-set-hard-imagefs-available** remediation.

#### Procedure

 Locate the scan-name and compliance check for the one-rule-tp-node-master-kubeleteviction-thresholds-set-hard-imagefs-available remediation:

\$ oc get remediation one-rule-tp-node-master-kubelet-eviction-thresholds-set-hard-imagefs-available -o yaml

## **Example output**

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: ComplianceRemediation metadata:

```
annotations:
  compliance.openshift.io/xccdf-value-used: var-kubelet-evictionhard-imagefs-available
creationTimestamp: "2022-01-05T19:52:27Z"
generation: 1
labels:
  compliance.openshift.io/scan-name: one-rule-tp-node-master
  compliance.openshift.io/suite: one-rule-ssb-node
 name: one-rule-tp-node-master-kubelet-eviction-thresholds-set-hard-imagefs-available
 namespace: openshift-compliance
 ownerReferences:
 - apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1
  blockOwnerDeletion: true
  controller: true
  kind: ComplianceCheckResult
  name: one-rule-tp-node-master-kubelet-eviction-thresholds-set-hard-imagefs-available
  uid: fe8e1577-9060-4c59-95b2-3e2c51709adc
 resourceVersion: "84820"
 uid: 5339d21a-24d7-40cb-84d2-7a2ebb015355
spec:
 apply: true
current:
  object:
   apiVersion: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1
   kind: KubeletConfig
   spec:
    kubeletConfig:
     evictionHard:
       imagefs.available: 10% 2
outdated: {}
type: Configuration
status:
 applicationState: Applied
```

- The scan name of the remediation.
- The remediation that was added to the KubeletConfig objects.



#### NOTE

If the remediation invokes an **evictionHard** kubelet configuration, you must specify all of the **evictionHard** parameters: **memory.available**, **nodefs.available**, **nodefs.inodesFree**, **imagefs.available**, and **imagefs.inodesFree**. If you do not specify all parameters, only the specified parameters are applied and the remediation will not function properly.

- 2. Remove the remediation:
  - a. Set **apply** to false for the remediation object:

\$ oc patch complianceremediations/one-rule-tp-node-master-kubelet-eviction-thresholds-set-hard-imagefs-available -p '{"spec":{"apply":false}}' --type=merge

b. Using the **scan-name**, find the **KubeletConfig** object that the remediation was applied to:

\$ oc get kubeletconfig --selector compliance.openshift.io/scan-name=one-rule-tp-node-master

# **Example output**

NAME AGE compliance-operator-kubelet-master 2m34s

c. Manually remove the remediation, **imagefs.available: 10%**, from the **KubeletConfig** object:

\$ oc edit KubeletConfig compliance-operator-kubelet-master



#### **IMPORTANT**

All affected nodes with the remediation will be rebooted.



#### NOTE

You must also exclude the rule from any scheduled scans in your tailored profiles that auto-applies the remediation, otherwise, the remediation will be re-applied during the next scheduled scan.

# 5.9.9. Inconsistent ComplianceScan

The **ScanSetting** object lists the node roles that the compliance scans generated from the **ScanSetting** or **ScanSettingBinding** objects would scan. Each node role usually maps to a machine config pool.



#### **IMPORTANT**

It is expected that all machines in a machine config pool are identical and all scan results from the nodes in a pool should be identical.

If some of the results are different from others, the Compliance Operator flags a **ComplianceCheckResult** object where some of the nodes will report as **INCONSISTENT**. All **ComplianceCheckResult** objects are also labeled with **compliance.openshift.io/inconsistent-check**.

Because the number of machines in a pool might be quite large, the Compliance Operator attempts to find the most common state and list the nodes that differ from the common state. The most common state is stored in the **compliance.openshift.io/most-common-status** annotation and the annotation **compliance.openshift.io/inconsistent-source** contains pairs of **hostname:status** of check statuses that differ from the most common status. If no common state can be found, all the **hostname:status** pairs are listed in the **compliance.openshift.io/inconsistent-source annotation**.

If possible, a remediation is still created so that the cluster can converge to a compliant status. However, this might not always be possible and correcting the difference between nodes must be done manually. The compliance scan must be re-run to get a consistent result by annotating the scan with the **compliance.openshift.io/rescan=** option:

\$ oc annotate compliancescans/<scan\_name> compliance.openshift.io/rescan=

#### 5.9.10. Additional resources

• Modifying nodes.

# 5.10. PERFORMING ADVANCED COMPLIANCE OPERATOR TASKS

The Compliance Operator includes options for advanced users for the purpose of debugging or integration with existing tooling.

# 5.10.1. Using the ComplianceSuite and ComplianceScan objects directly

While it is recommended that users take advantage of the **ScanSetting** and **ScanSettingBinding** objects to define the suites and scans, there are valid use cases to define the **ComplianceSuite** objects directly:

- Specifying only a single rule to scan. This can be useful for debugging together with the **debug:** true attribute which increases the OpenSCAP scanner verbosity, as the debug mode tends to
   get quite verbose otherwise. Limiting the test to one rule helps to lower the amount of debug
   information.
- Providing a custom nodeSelector. In order for a remediation to be applicable, the nodeSelector must match a pool.
- Pointing the Scan to a bespoke config map with a tailoring file.
- For testing or development when the overhead of parsing profiles from bundles is not required.

The following example shows a **ComplianceSuite** that scans the worker machines with only a single rule:

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: ComplianceSuite

metadata:

name: workers-compliancesuite

spec: scans:

- name: workers-scan

profile: xccdf\_org.ssgproject.content\_profile\_moderate

content: ssg-rhcos4-ds.xml

contentImage: quay.io/complianceascode/ocp4:latest

debug: true

rule: xccdf\_org.ssgproject.content\_rule\_no\_direct\_root\_logins

nodeSelector:

node-role.kubernetes.io/worker: ""

The **ComplianceSuite** object and the **ComplianceScan** objects referred to above specify several attributes in a format that OpenSCAP expects.

To find out the profile, content, or rule values, you can start by creating a similar Suite from **ScanSetting** and **ScanSettingBinding** or inspect the objects parsed from the **ProfileBundle** objects like rules or profiles. Those objects contain the **xccdf\_org** identifiers you can use to refer to them from a **ComplianceSuite**.

# 5.10.2. Using raw tailored profiles

While the **TailoredProfile** CR enables the most common tailoring operations, the XCCDF standard allows even more flexibility in tailoring OpenSCAP profiles. In addition, if your organization has been using OpenScap previously, you may have an existing XCCDF tailoring file and can reuse it.

The **ComplianceSuite** object contains an optional **TailoringConfigMap** attribute that you can point to a custom tailoring file. The value of the **TailoringConfigMap** attribute is a name of a config map which must contain a key called **tailoring.xml** and the value of this key is the tailoring contents.

#### **Procedure**

1. Create the **ConfigMap** object from a file:

\$ oc create configmap <scan\_name> --from-file=tailoring.xml=/path/to/the/tailoringFile.xml

2. Reference the tailoring file in a scan that belongs to a suite:

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: ComplianceSuite
metadata:
name: workers-compliancesuite
spec:
debug: true
scans:
- name: workers-scan
profile: xccdf\_org.ssgproject.content\_profile\_moderate
content: ssg-rhcos4-ds.xml
contentImage: quay.io/complianceascode/ocp4:latest
debug: true
tailoringConfigMap:
name: <scan\_name>
nodeSelector:

# 5.10.3. Performing a rescan

Typically you will want to re-run a scan on a defined schedule, like every Monday or daily. It can also be useful to re-run a scan once after fixing a problem on a node. To perform a single scan, annotate the scan with the **compliance.openshift.io/rescan=** option:

\$ oc annotate compliancescans/<scan\_name> compliance.openshift.io/rescan=

A rescan generates four additional **mc** for **rhcos-moderate** profile:

node-role.kubernetes.io/worker: ""

\$ oc get mc

#### Example output

75-worker-scan-chronyd-or-ntpd-specify-remote-server 75-worker-scan-configure-usbguard-auditbackend 75-worker-scan-service-usbguard-enabled 75-worker-scan-usbguard-allow-hid-and-hub



#### **IMPORTANT**

When the scan setting **default-auto-apply** label is applied, remediations are applied automatically and outdated remediations automatically update. If there are remediations that were not applied due to dependencies, or remediations that had been outdated, rescanning applies the remediations and might trigger a reboot. Only remediations that use **MachineConfig** objects trigger reboots. If there are no updates or dependencies to be applied, no reboot occurs.

# 5.10.4. Setting custom storage size for results

While the custom resources such as **ComplianceCheckResult** represent an aggregated result of one check across all scanned nodes, it can be useful to review the raw results as produced by the scanner. The raw results are produced in the ARF format and can be large (tens of megabytes per node), it is impractical to store them in a Kubernetes resource backed by the **etcd** key-value store. Instead, every scan creates a persistent volume (PV) which defaults to 1GB size. Depending on your environment, you may want to increase the PV size accordingly. This is done using the **rawResultStorage.size** attribute that is exposed in both the **ScanSetting** and **ComplianceScan** resources.

A related parameter is **rawResultStorage.rotation** which controls how many scans are retained in the PV before the older scans are rotated. The default value is 3, setting the rotation policy to 0 disables the rotation. Given the default rotation policy and an estimate of 100MB per a raw ARF scan report, you can calculate the right PV size for your environment.

### 5.10.4.1. Using custom result storage values

Because OpenShift Container Platform can be deployed in a variety of public clouds or bare metal, the Compliance Operator cannot determine available storage configurations. By default, the Compliance Operator will try to create the PV for storing results using the default storage class of the cluster, but a custom storage class can be configured using the **rawResultStorage.StorageClassName** attribute.



# **IMPORTANT**

If your cluster does not specify a default storage class, this attribute must be set.

Configure the **ScanSetting** custom resource to use a standard storage class and create persistent volumes that are 10GB in size and keep the last 10 results:

### **Example ScanSetting CR**

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: ScanSetting

metadata: name: default

namespace: openshift-compliance

rawResultStorage:

storageClassName: standard

rotation: 10 size: 10Gi roles: - worker - master

scanTolerations:

- effect: NoSchedule

key: node-role.kubernetes.io/master

operator: Exists schedule: '0 1 \* \* \*'

# 5.10.5. Applying remediations generated by suite scans

Although you can use the **autoApplyRemediations** boolean parameter in a **ComplianceSuite** object, you can alternatively annotate the object with **compliance.openshift.io/apply-remediations**. This allows the Operator to apply all of the created remediations.

#### **Procedure**

• Apply the **compliance.openshift.io/apply-remediations** annotation by running:

\$ oc annotate compliancesuites/<suite-\_name> compliance.openshift.io/apply-remediations=

# 5.10.6. Automatically update remediations

In some cases, a scan with newer content might mark remediations as **OUTDATED**. As an administrator, you can apply the **compliance.openshift.io/remove-outdated** annotation to apply new remediations and remove the outdated ones.

#### **Procedure**

Apply the compliance.openshift.io/remove-outdated annotation:

\$ oc annotate compliancesuites/<suite\_name> compliance.openshift.io/remove-outdated=

Alternatively, set the **autoUpdateRemediations** flag in a **ScanSetting** or **ComplianceSuite** object to update the remediations automatically.

# 5.11. TROUBLESHOOTING THE COMPLIANCE OPERATOR

This section describes how to troubleshoot the Compliance Operator. The information can be useful either to diagnose a problem or provide information in a bug report. Some general tips:

- The Compliance Operator emits Kubernetes events when something important happens. You
  can either view all events in the cluster using the command:
  - \$ oc get events -n openshift-compliance

Or view events for an object like a scan using the command:

- \$ oc describe compliancescan/<scan\_name>
- The Compliance Operator consists of several controllers, approximately one per API object. It
  could be useful to filter only those controllers that correspond to the API object having issues. If
  a ComplianceRemediation cannot be applied, view the messages from the remediationctrl
  controller. You can filter the messages from a single controller by parsing with jq:

\$ oc logs compliance-operator-775d7bddbd-gj58f | jq -c 'select(.logger == "profilebundlectrl")'

The timestamps are logged as seconds since UNIX epoch in UTC. To convert them to a human-readable date, use date -d @timestamp --utc, for example:

\$ date -d @1596184628.955853 --utc

- Many custom resources, most importantly ComplianceSuite and ScanSetting, allow the debug
  option to be set. Enabling this option increases verbosity of the OpenSCAP scanner pods, as
  well as some other helper pods.
- If a single rule is passing or failing unexpectedly, it could be helpful to run a single scan or a suite with only that rule to find the rule ID from the corresponding **ComplianceCheckResult** object and use it as the **rule** attribute value in a **Scan** CR. Then, together with the **debug** option enabled, the **scanner** container logs in the scanner pod would show the raw OpenSCAP logs.

# 5.11.1. Anatomy of a scan

The following sections outline the components and stages of Compliance Operator scans.

# 5.11.1.1. Compliance sources

The compliance content is stored in **Profile** objects that are generated from a **ProfileBundle** object. The Compliance Operator creates a **ProfileBundle** object for the cluster and another for the cluster nodes.

\$ oc get profilebundle.compliance

\$ oc get profile.compliance

The **ProfileBundle** objects are processed by deployments labeled with the **Bundle** name. To troubleshoot an issue with the **Bundle**, you can find the deployment and view logs of the pods in a deployment:

\$ oc logs -lprofile-bundle=ocp4 -c profileparser

\$ oc get deployments,pods -lprofile-bundle=ocp4

\$ oc logs pods/<pod-name>

\$ oc describe pod/<pod-name> -c profileparser

# 5.11.1.2. The ScanSetting and ScanSettingBinding objects lifecycle and debugging

With valid compliance content sources, the high-level **ScanSetting** and **ScanSettingBinding** objects can be used to generate **ComplianceSuite** and **ComplianceScan** objects:

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: ScanSetting

metadata:

name: my-companys-constraints

debug: true

# For each role, a separate scan will be created pointing

# to a node-role specified in roles roles:

- worker

---

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: ScanSettingBinding

metadata:

name: my-companys-compliance-requirements

profiles:

# Node checks
- name: rhcos4-e8
kind: Profile

apiGroup: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

# Cluster checks
- name: ocp4-e8
kind: Profile

apiGroup: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

settingsRef:

name: my-companys-constraints

kind: ScanSetting

apiGroup: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

Both **ScanSetting** and **ScanSettingBinding** objects are handled by the same controller tagged with **logger=scansettingbindingctrl**. These objects have no status. Any issues are communicated in form of events:

Events:				
Type	Reason	Age	From	Message

Normal SuiteCreated 9m52s scansettingbindingctrl ComplianceSuite openshift-compliance/my-companys-compliance-requirements created

Now a **ComplianceSuite** object is created. The flow continues to reconcile the newly created **ComplianceSuite**.

### 5.11.1.3. ComplianceSuite custom resource lifecycle and debugging

The **ComplianceSuite** CR is a wrapper around **ComplianceScan** CRs. The **ComplianceSuite** CR is handled by controller tagged with **logger=suitectrl**. This controller handles creating scans from a suite, reconciling and aggregating individual Scan statuses into a single Suite status. If a suite is set to execute periodically, the **suitectrl** also handles creating a **CronJob** CR that re-runs the scans in the suite after the initial run is done:

\$ oc get cronjobs

### Example output

NAME SCHEDULE SUSPEND ACTIVE LAST SCHEDULE AGE <cron\_name> 0 1 \* \* \* False 0 <none> 151m

For the most important issues, events are emitted. View them with **oc describe compliancesuites**/**<name>**. The **Suite** objects also have a **Status** subresource that is updated when any of **Scan** objects that belong to this suite update their **Status** subresource. After all expected scans are created, control is passed to the scan controller.

# 5.11.1.4. ComplianceScan custom resource lifecycle and debugging

The **ComplianceScan** CRs are handled by the **scanctrl** controller. This is also where the actual scans happen and the scan results are created. Each scan goes through several phases:

#### 5.11.1.4.1. Pending phase

The scan is validated for correctness in this phase. If some parameters like storage size are invalid, the scan transitions to DONE with ERROR result, otherwise proceeds to the Launching phase.

### 5.11.1.4.2. Launching phase

In this phase, several config maps that contain either environment for the scanner pods or directly the script that the scanner pods will be evaluating. List the config maps:

\$ oc get cm -lcompliance.openshift.io/scan-name=rhcos4-e8-worker,complianceoperator.openshift.io/scan-script=

These config maps will be used by the scanner pods. If you ever needed to modify the scanner behavior, change the scanner debug level or print the raw results, modifying the config maps is the way to go. Afterwards, a persistent volume claim is created per scan in order to store the raw ARF results:

\$ oc get pvc -lcompliance.openshift.io/scan-name=<scan\_name>

The PVCs are mounted by a per-scan **ResultServer** deployment. A **ResultServer** is a simple HTTP server where the individual scanner pods upload the full ARF results to. Each server can run on a different node. The full ARF results might be very large and you cannot presume that it would be possible to create a volume that could be mounted from multiple nodes at the same time. After the scan is finished, the **ResultServer** deployment is scaled down. The PVC with the raw results can be mounted from another custom pod and the results can be fetched or inspected. The traffic between the scanner pods and the **ResultServer** is protected by mutual TLS protocols.

Finally, the scanner pods are launched in this phase; one scanner pod for a **Platform** scan instance and one scanner pod per matching node for a **node** scan instance. The per-node pods are labeled with the node name. Each pod is always labeled with the **ComplianceScan** name:

\$ oc get pods -lcompliance.openshift.io/scan-name=rhcos4-e8-worker,workload=scanner --show-labels

#### Example output

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE LABELS rhcos4-e8-worker-ip-10-0-169-90.eu-north-1.compute.internal-pod 0/2 Completed 0 39m compliance.openshift.io/scan-name=rhcos4-e8-worker,targetNode=ip-10-0-169-90.eu-north-1.compute.internal,workload=scanner At this point, the scan proceeds to the Running phase.

# 5.11.1.4.3. Running phase

The running phase waits until the scanner pods finish. The following terms and processes are in use in the running phase:

- **Init container.** There is one init container called **content-container**. It runs the **contentImage** container and executes a single command that copies the **contentFile** to the /**content** directory shared with the other containers in this pod.
- scanner: This container runs the scan. For node scans, the container mounts the node
  filesystem as /host and mounts the content delivered by the init container. The container also
  mounts the entrypoint ConfigMap created in the Launching phase and executes it. The
  default script in the entrypoint ConfigMap executes OpenSCAP and stores the result files in
  the /results directory shared between the pod's containers. Logs from this pod can be viewed
  to determine what the OpenSCAP scanner checked. More verbose output can be viewed with
  the debug flag.
- **logcollector**: The logcollector container waits until the scanner container finishes. Then, it uploads the full ARF results to the **ResultServer** and separately uploads the XCCDF results along with scan result and OpenSCAP result code as a **ConfigMap**. These result config maps are labeled with the scan name (**compliance.openshift.io/scan-name=<scan\_name>**):

\$ oc describe cm/rhcos4-e8-worker-ip-10-0-169-90.eu-north-1.compute.internal-pod

### Example output

Scanner pods for **Platform** scans are similar, except:

- There is one extra init container called **api-resource-collector** that reads the OpenSCAP content provided by the content-container init, container, figures out which API resources the content needs to examine and stores those API resources to a shared directory where the **scanner** container would read them from.
- The **scanner** container does not need to mount the host file system.

When the scanner pods are done, the scans move on to the Aggregating phase.

#### 5.11.1.4.4. Aggregating phase

In the aggregating phase, the scan controller spawns yet another pod called the aggregator pod. Its purpose it to take the result **ConfigMap** objects, read the results and for each check result create the corresponding Kubernetes object. If the check failure can be automatically remediated, a

**ComplianceRemediation** object is created. To provide human-readable metadata for the checks and remediations, the aggregator pod also mounts the OpenSCAP content using an init container.

When a config map is processed by an aggregator pod, it is labeled the **compliance-remediations/processed** label. The result of this phase are **ComplianceCheckResult** objects:

\$ oc get compliancecheckresults -lcompliance.openshift.io/scan-name=rhcos4-e8-worker

# Example output

NAME STATUS SEVERITY rhcos4-e8-worker-accounts-no-uid-except-zero PASS high rhcos4-e8-worker-audit-rules-dac-modification-chmod FAIL medium

### and ComplianceRemediation objects:

\$ oc get complianceremediations -lcompliance.openshift.io/scan-name=rhcos4-e8-worker

# **Example output**

NAME STATE

rhcos4-e8-worker-audit-rules-dac-modification-chmod rhcos4-e8-worker-audit-rules-dac-modification-chown rhcos4-e8-worker-audit-rules-execution-restorecon rhcos4-e8-worker-audit-rules-execution-restorecon rhcos4-e8-worker-audit-rules-execution-semanage rhcos4-e8-worker-audit-rules-execution-setfiles

STATE

NotApplied

NotApplied

NotApplied

NotApplied

After these CRs are created, the aggregator pod exits and the scan moves on to the Done phase.

#### 5.11.1.4.5. Done phase

In the final scan phase, the scan resources are cleaned up if needed and the **ResultServer** deployment is either scaled down (if the scan was one-time) or deleted if the scan is continuous; the next scan instance would then recreate the deployment again.

It is also possible to trigger a re-run of a scan in the Done phase by annotating it:

\$ oc annotate compliancescans/<scan\_name> compliance.openshift.io/rescan=

After the scan reaches the Done phase, nothing else happens on its own unless the remediations are set to be applied automatically with **autoApplyRemediations: true**. The OpenShift Container Platform administrator would now review the remediations and apply them as needed. If the remediations are set to be applied automatically, the **ComplianceSuite** controller takes over in the Done phase, pauses the machine config pool to which the scan maps to and applies all the remediations in one go. If a remediation is applied, the **ComplianceRemediation** controller takes over.

### 5.11.1.5. Compliance Remediation controller lifecycle and debugging

The example scan has reported some findings. One of the remediations can be enabled by toggling its **apply** attribute to **true**:

\$ oc patch complianceremediations/rhcos4-e8-worker-audit-rules-dac-modification-chmod --patch '{"spec":{"apply":true}}' --type=merge

The **ComplianceRemediation** controller (**logger=remediationctrl**) reconciles the modified object. The result of the reconciliation is change of status of the remediation object that is reconciled, but also a change of the rendered per-suite **MachineConfig** object that contains all the applied remediations.

The **MachineConfig** object always begins with **75-** and is named after the scan and the suite:

\$ oc get mc | grep 75-

# Example output

75-rhcos4-e8-worker-my-companys-compliance-requirements 2m46s

2.2.0

The remediations the **mc** currently consists of are listed in the machine config's annotations:

\$ oc describe mc/75-rhcos4-e8-worker-my-companys-compliance-requirements

# Example output

Name: 75-rhcos4-e8-worker-my-companys-compliance-requirements

Labels: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/role=worker

Annotations: remediation/rhcos4-e8-worker-audit-rules-dac-modification-chmod:

The **ComplianceRemediation** controller's algorithm works like this:

- All currently applied remediations are read into an initial remediation set.
- If the reconciled remediation is supposed to be applied, it is added to the set.
- A MachineConfig object is rendered from the set and annotated with names of remediations in the set. If the set is empty (the last remediation was unapplied), the rendered MachineConfig object is removed.
- If and only if the rendered machine config is different from the one already applied in the cluster, the applied MC is updated (or created, or deleted).
- Creating or modifying a MachineConfig object triggers a reboot of nodes that match the machineconfiguration.openshift.io/role label - see the Machine Config Operator documentation for more details.

The remediation loop ends once the rendered machine config is updated, if needed, and the reconciled remediation object status is updated. In our case, applying the remediation would trigger a reboot. After the reboot, annotate the scan to re-run it:

\$ oc annotate compliancescans/<scan\_name> compliance.openshift.io/rescan=

The scan will run and finish. Check for the remediation to pass:

\$ oc get compliancecheckresults/rhcos4-e8-worker-audit-rules-dac-modification-chmod

# Example output

NAME STATUS SEVERITY rhcos4-e8-worker-audit-rules-dac-modification-chmod PASS medium

#### 5.11.1.6. Useful labels

Each pod that is spawned by the Compliance Operator is labeled specifically with the scan it belongs to and the work it does. The scan identifier is labeled with the **compliance.openshift.io/scan-name** label. The workload identifier is labeled with the **workload** label.

The Compliance Operator schedules the following workloads:

- scanner: Performs the compliance scan.
- resultserver: Stores the raw results for the compliance scan.
- aggregator: Aggregates the results, detects inconsistencies and outputs result objects (checkresults and remediations).
- suitererunner: Will tag a suite to be re-run (when a schedule is set).
- profileparser: Parses a datastream and creates the appropriate profiles, rules and variables.

When debugging and logs are required for a certain workload, run:

\$ oc logs -I workload=<workload\_name> -c <container\_name>

# 5.11.2. Getting support

If you experience difficulty with a procedure described in this documentation, or with OpenShift Container Platform in general, visit the Red Hat Customer Portal. From the Customer Portal, you can:

- Search or browse through the Red Hat Knowledgebase of articles and solutions relating to Red Hat products.
- Submit a support case to Red Hat Support.
- Access other product documentation.

To identify issues with your cluster, you can use Insights in OpenShift Cluster Manager. Insights provides details about issues and, if available, information on how to solve a problem.

If you have a suggestion for improving this documentation or have found an error, submit a Jira issue for the most relevant documentation component. Please provide specific details, such as the section name and OpenShift Container Platform version.

# 5.12. UNINSTALLING THE COMPLIANCE OPERATOR

You can remove the OpenShift Compliance Operator from your cluster by using the OpenShift Container Platform web console.

# 5.12.1. Uninstalling the OpenShift Compliance Operator from OpenShift Container Platform

To remove the Compliance Operator, you must first delete the Compliance Operator custom resource definitions (CRDs). After the CRDs are removed, you can then remove the Operator and its namespace by deleting the **openshift-compliance** project.

# **Prerequisites**

- Access to an OpenShift Container Platform cluster using an account with cluster-admin permissions.
- The OpenShift Compliance Operator must be installed.

#### **Procedure**

To remove the Compliance Operator by using the OpenShift Container Platform web console:

- 1. Remove CRDs that were installed by the Compliance Operator:
  - a. Switch to the **Administration** → **Custom Resource Definitions**page.
  - b. Search for **compliance.openshift.io** in the **Name** field.
  - c. Click the Options menu next to each of the following CRDs, and select **Delete**Custom Resource Definition:
    - ComplianceCheckResult
    - ComplianceRemediation
    - ComplianceScan
    - ComplianceSuite
    - ProfileBundle
    - Profile
    - Rule
    - ScanSettingBinding
    - ScanSetting
    - TailoredProfile
    - Variable
- 2. Remove the OpenShift Compliance project:
  - a. Switch to the **Home** → **Projects** page.
  - b. Click the Options menu next to the **openshift-compliance** project, and select **Delete Project**.
  - c. Confirm the deletion by typing **openshift-compliance** in the dialog box, and click **Delete**.

# 5.13. UNDERSTANDING THE CUSTOM RESOURCE DEFINITIONS

The Compliance Operator in the OpenShift Container Platform provides you with several Custom Resource Definitions (CRDs) to accomplish the compliance scans. To run a compliance scan, it leverages the predefined security policies, which are derived from the ComplianceAsCode community project. The Compliance Operator converts these security policies into CRDs, which you can use to run compliance scans and get remediations for the issues found.

#### 5.13.1. CRDs workflow

The CRD provides you the following workflow to complete the compliance scans:

- 1. Define your compliance scan requirements
- 2. Configure the compliance scan settings
- 3. Process compliance requirements with compliance scans settings
- 4. Monitor the compliance scans
- 5. Check the compliance scan results

# 5.13.2. Defining the compliance scan requirements

By default, the Compliance Operator CRDs include **ProfileBundle** and **Profile** objects, in which you can define and set the rules for your compliance scan requirements. You can also customize the default profiles by using a **TailoredProfile** object.

### 5.13.2.1. ProfileBundle object

When you install the Compliance Operator, it includes ready-to-run **ProfileBundle** object. The Compliance Operator parses the **ProfileBundle** object and creates a **Profile** object for each profile in the bundle. It also parses **Rule** and **Variable** objects, which are used by the **Profile** object.

### Example ProfileBundle object

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: ProfileBundle

name: cprofile bundle name>
namespace: openshift-compliance

spec:

contentFile: ssg-ocp4-ds.xml

contentImage: quay.io/complianceascode/ocp4:latest 2

status:

dataStreamStatus: VALID 3

- Specify a path from the root directory (/) where the profile file is located.
- Specify the container image that encapsulates the profile files.
- Indicates whether the Compliance Operator was able to parse the content files.



#### NOTE

When the contentFile fails, an errorMessage attribute appears, which provides details of the error that occurred.

#### **Troubleshooting**

When you roll back to a known content image from an invalid image, the **ProfileBundle** object stops responding and displays PENDING state. As a workaround, you can move to a different image than the previous one. Alternatively, you can delete and re-create the ProfileBundle object to return to the working state.

# 5.13.2.2. Profile object

The **Profile** object defines the rules and variables that can be evaluated for a certain compliance standard. It contains parsed out details about an OpenSCAP profile, such as its XCCDF identifier and profile checks for a **Node** or **Platform** type. You can either directly use the **Profile** object or further customize it using a TailorProfile object.



#### **NOTE**

You cannot create or modify the **Profile** object manually because it is derived from a single ProfileBundle object. Typically, a single ProfileBundle object can include several **Profile** objects.

# **Example Profile object**

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1 description: <description of the profile>

id: xccdf\_org.ssgproject.content\_profile\_moderate 1

kind: Profile

metadata: annotations:

compliance.openshift.io/product-type: Node 2 creationTimestamp: "YYYY-MM-DDTMM:HH:SSZ"

generation: 1 labels:

compliance.openshift.io/profile-bundle: <profile bundle name>

name: rhcos4-moderate

namespace: openshift-compliance

ownerReferences:

- apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

blockOwnerDeletion: true

controller: true kind: ProfileBundle

name: <profile bundle name>

uid: <uid string>

resourceVersion: "<version number>"

selfLink: /apis/compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1/namespaces/openshift-compliance/profiles/rhcos4-

moderate

uid: <uid string>

rules: 3

- rhcos4-account-disable-post-pw-expiration

- rhcos4-accounts-no-uid-except-zero
- rhcos4-audit-rules-dac-modification-chmod
- rhcos4-audit-rules-dac-modification-chown title: <title of the profile>
- Specify the XCCDF name of the profile. Use this identifier when you define a **ComplianceScan** object as the value of the profile attribute of the scan.
- Specify either a **Node** or **Platform**. Node profiles scan the cluster nodes and platform profiles scan the Kubernetes platform.
- 3 Specify the list of rules for the profile. Each rule corresponds to a single check.

# 5.13.2.3. Rule object

The **Rule** object, which forms the profiles, are also exposed as objects. Use the **Rule** object to define your compliance check requirements and specify how it could be fixed.

# **Example Rule object**

```
apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1
  checkType: Platform 1
  description: <description of the rule>
  id: xccdf_org.ssgproject.content_rule_configure_network_policies_namespaces 2
  instructions: <manual instructions for the scan>
  kind: Rule
  metadata:
   annotations:
    compliance.openshift.io/rule: configure-network-policies-namespaces
    control.compliance.openshift.io/CIS-OCP: 5.3.2
    control.compliance.openshift.io/NERC-CIP: CIP-003-3 R4:CIP-003-3 R4.2;CIP-003-3
      R5;CIP-003-3 R6;CIP-004-3 R2.2.4;CIP-004-3 R3;CIP-007-3 R2;CIP-007-3 R2.1;CIP-007-3
      R2.2;CIP-007-3 R2.3;CIP-007-3 R5.1;CIP-007-3 R6.1
    control.compliance.openshift.io/NIST-800-53: AC-4;AC-4(21);CA-3(5);CM-6;CM-6(1);CM-7;CM-
7(1);SC-7;SC-7(3);SC-7(5);SC-7(8);SC-7(12);SC-7(13);SC-7(18)
   labels:
    compliance.openshift.io/profile-bundle: ocp4
   name: ocp4-configure-network-policies-namespaces
   namespace: openshift-compliance
  rationale: <description of why this rule is checked>
  severity: high 3
  title: <summary of the rule>
```

- 1 Specify the type of check this rule executes. **Node** profiles scan the cluster nodes and **Platform** profiles scan the Kubernetes platform. An empty value indicates there is no automated check.
- 2 Specify the XCCDF name of the rule, which is parsed directly from the datastream.
- 3 Specify the severity of the rule when it fails.



#### NOTE

The Rule object gets an appropriate label for an easy identification of the associated ProfileBundle object. The ProfileBundle also gets specified in the OwnerReferences of this object.

# 5.13.2.4. TailoredProfile object

Use the TailoredProfile object to modify the default Profile object based on your organization requirements. You can enable or disable rules, set variable values, and provide justification for the customization. After validation, the TailoredProfile object creates a ConfigMap, which can be referenced by a **ComplianceScan** object.

#### TIP

You can use the TailoredProfile object by referencing it in a ScanSettingBinding object. For more information about **ScanSettingBinding**, see ScanSettingBinding object.

# Example TailoredProfile object

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: TailoredProfile

metadata:

name: rhcos4-with-usb

spec:

extends: rhcos4-moderate 1 title: <title of the tailored profile>

disableRules:

- name: <name of a rule object to be disabled> rationale: <description of why this rule is checked>

id: xccdf\_compliance.openshift.io\_profile\_rhcos4-with-usb 2

outputRef:

name: rhcos4-with-usb-tp 3 namespace: openshift-compliance

state: READY 4

- This is optional. Name of the **Profile** object upon which the **TailoredProfile** is built. If no value is set, a new profile is created from the enableRules list.
- Specifies the XCCDF name of the tailored profile.
- Specifies the ConfigMap name, which can be used as the value of the tailoringConfigMap.name attribute of a ComplianceScan.
- Shows the state of the object such as **READY**, **PENDING**, and **FAILURE**. If the state of the object is **ERROR**, then the attribute **status.errorMessage** provides the reason for the failure.

With the **TailoredProfile** object, it is possible to create a new **Profile** object using the **TailoredProfile** construct. To create a new **Profile**, set the following configuration parameters:

- an appropriate title
- extends value must be empty

scan type annotation on the TailoredProfile object:

compliance.openshift.io/product-type: <scan type>



#### NOTE

If you have not set the **product-type** annotation, the Compliance Operator defaults to **Platform** scan type. Adding the **-node** suffix to the name of the **TailoredProfile** object results in **node** scan type.

# 5.13.3. Configuring the compliance scan settings

After you have defined the requirements of the compliance scan, you can configure it by specifying the type of the scan, occurrence of the scan, and location of the scan. To do so, Compliance Operator provides you with a **ScanSetting** object.

# 5.13.3.1. ScanSetting object

Use the **ScanSetting** object to define and reuse the operational policies to run your scans. By default, the Compliance Operator creates the following **ScanSetting** objects:

- **default** it runs a scan every day at 1 AM on both master and worker nodes using a 1Gi Persistent Volume (PV) and keeps the last three results. Remediation is neither applied nor updated automatically.
- **default-auto-apply** it runs a scan every day at 1AM on both control plane and worker nodes using a 1Gi Persistent Volume (PV) and keeps the last three results. Both **autoApplyRemediations** and **autoUpdateRemediations** are set to true.

### **Example ScanSetting object**

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1kind: ScanSetting
metadata:
name: <name of the scan>
autoApplyRemediations: false 1
autoUpdateRemediations: false 2
schedule: "0 1 \* \* \* \* " 3
rawResultStorage:
size: "2Gi" 4
rotation: 10 5

- roles: 6
- master
- Set to **true** to enable auto remediations. Set to **false** to disable auto remediations.
- 2 Set to **true** to enable auto remediations for content updates. Set to **false** to disable auto remediations for content updates.
- 3 Specify how often the scan should be run in cron format.
- Specify the storage size that should be created for the scan to store the raw results. The default value is **1Gi**

Specify the amount of scans for which the raw results will be stored. The default value is 3. As the older results get rotated, the administrator has to store the results elsewhere before the rotation



### **NOTE**

To disable the rotation policy, set the value to **0**.

Specify the node-role.kubernetes.io label value to schedule the scan for Node type. This value has to match the name of a **MachineConfigPool**.

# 5.13.4. Processing the compliance scan requirements with compliance scans settings

When you have defined the compliance scan requirements and configured the settings to run the scans, then the Compliance Operator processes it using the ScanSettingBinding object.

### 5.13.4.1. ScanSettingBinding object

Use the ScanSettingBinding object to specify your compliance requirements with reference to the Profile or TailoredProfile object. It is then linked to a ScanSetting object, which provides the operational constraints for the scan. Then the Compliance Operator generates the ComplianceSuite object based on the **ScanSetting** and **ScanSettingBinding** objects.

#### Example ScanSettingBinding object

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: ScanSettingBinding

metadata:

name: <name of the scan>

profiles: 1

# Node checks

- name: rhcos4-with-usb kind: TailoredProfile

apiGroup: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

# Cluster checks

- name: ocp4-moderate

kind: Profile

apiGroup: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

settingsRef: 2

name: my-companys-constraints

kind: ScanSetting

apiGroup: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

- Specify the details of **Profile** or **TailoredProfile** object to scan your environment.
- Specify the operational constraints, such as schedule and storage size.

The creation of **ScanSetting** and **ScanSettingBinding** objects results in the compliance suite. To get the list of compliance suite, run the following command:

\$ oc get compliancesuites



#### **IMPORTANT**

If you delete **ScanSettingBinding**, then compliance suite also is deleted.

# 5.13.5. Tracking the compliance scans

After the creation of compliance suite, you can monitor the status of the deployed scans using the **ComplianceSuite** object.

# 5.13.5.1. ComplianceSuite object

The **ComplianceSuite** object helps you keep track of the state of the scans. It contains the raw settings to create scans and the overall result.

For **Node** type scans, you should map the scan to the **MachineConfigPool**, since it contains the remediations for any issues. If you specify a label, ensure it directly applies to a pool.

# **Example ComplianceSuite object**

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: ComplianceSuite metadata: name: <name of the scan> autoApplyRemediations: false 1 schedule: "0 1 \* \* \*" 2 scans: 3 - name: workers-scan scanType: Node profile: xccdf\_org.ssgproject.content\_profile\_moderate content: ssg-rhcos4-ds.xml contentImage: quay.io/complianceascode/ocp4:latest rule: "xccdf\_org.ssgproject.content\_rule\_no\_netrc\_files" nodeSelector: node-role.kubernetes.io/worker: "" status: Phase: DONE 4 Result: NON-COMPLIANT 5 scanStatuses: - name: workers-scan phase: DONE

- Set to **true** to enable auto remediations. Set to **false** to disable auto remediations.
- Specify how often the scan should be run in cron format.
- 3 Specify a list of scan specifications to run in the cluster.
- Indicates the progress of the scans.

result: NON-COMPLIANT

5 Indicates the overall verdict of the suite.

The suite in the background creates the **ComplianceScan** object based on the **scans** parameter. You can programmatically fetch the **ComplianceSuites** events. To get the events for the suite, run the following command:

\$ oc get events --field-selector involvedObject.kind=ComplianceSuite,involvedObject.name=<name of the suite>



#### **IMPORTANT**

You might create errors when you manually define the **ComplianceSuite**, since it contains the XCCDF attributes.

# 5.13.5.2. Advanced ComplianceScan Object

The Compliance Operator includes options for advanced users for debugging or integrating with existing tooling. While it is recommended that you not create a **ComplianceScan** object directly, you can instead manage it using a **ComplianceSuite** object.

# Example Advanced ComplianceScan object

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: ComplianceScan

metadata:

name: <name of the scan>

spec:

scanType: Node 1

profile: xccdf\_org.ssgproject.content\_profile\_moderate 2

content: ssg-ocp4-ds.xml

contentImage: quay.io/complianceascode/ocp4:latest 3

rule: "xccdf\_org.ssgproject.content\_rule\_no\_netrc\_files" 4

nodeSelector: 5

node-role.kubernetes.io/worker: ""

status:

phase: DONE 6

result: NON-COMPLIANT 7

- 1 Specify either **Node** or **Platform**. Node profiles scan the cluster nodes and platform profiles scan the Kubernetes platform.
- Specify the XCCDF identifier of the profile that you want to run.
- 3 Specify the container image that encapsulates the profile files.
- It is optional. Specify the scan to run a single rule. This rule has to be identified with the XCCDF ID, and has to belong to the specified profile.



#### NOTE

If you skip the **rule** parameter, then scan runs for all the available rules of the specified profile.

If you are on the OpenShift Container Platform and wants to generate a remediation, then nodeSelector label has to match the **MachineConfigPool** label.



#### **NOTE**

If you do not specify **nodeSelector** parameter or match the **MachineConfig** label, scan will still run, but it will not create remediation.

- 6 Indicates the current phase of the scan.
- Indicates the verdict of the scan.



#### **IMPORTANT**

If you delete a **ComplianceSuite** object, then all the associated scans get deleted.

When the scan is complete, it generates the result as Custom Resources of the **ComplianceCheckResult** object. However, the raw results are available in ARF format. These results are stored in a Persistent Volume (PV), which has a Persistent Volume Claim (PVC) associated with the name of the scan. You can programmatically fetch the **ComplianceScans** events. To generate events for the suite, run the following command:

oc get events --field-selector involvedObject.kind=ComplianceScan,involvedObject.name=<name of the suite>

# 5.13.6. Viewing the compliance results

When the compliance suite reaches the **DONE** phase, you can view the scan results and possible remediations.

### 5.13.6.1. ComplianceCheckResult object

When you run a scan with a specific profile, several rules in the profiles are verified. For each of these rules, a **ComplianceCheckResult** object is created, which provides the state of the cluster for a specific rule.

### Example ComplianceCheckResult object

apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

kind: ComplianceCheckResult

metadata:

labels:

compliance.openshift.io/check-severity: medium

compliance.openshift.io/check-status: FAIL

compliance.openshift.io/suite: example-compliancesuite

compliance.openshift.io/scan-name: workers-scan

name: workers-scan-no-direct-root-logins

namespace: openshift-compliance

ownerReferences:

- apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1

blockOwnerDeletion: true

controller: true

kind: ComplianceScan name: workers-scan

description: <description of scan check>

instructions: <manual instructions for the scan>

id: xccdf\_org.ssgproject.content\_rule\_no\_direct\_root\_logins

severity: medium 1 status: FAIL 2

- 1 Describes the severity of the scan check.
- Describes the result of the check. The possible values are:
  - PASS: check was successful.
  - FAIL: check was unsuccessful.
  - INFO: check was successful and found something not severe enough to be considered an error
  - MANUAL: check cannot automatically assess the status and manual check is required.
  - INCONSISTENT: different nodes report different results.
  - ERROR: check run successfully, but could not complete.
  - NOTAPPLICABLE: check did not run as it is not applicable.

To get all the check results from a suite, run the following command:

oc get compliancecheckresults -l compliance.openshift.io/suite=<suit name>

### 5.13.6.2. Compliance Remediation object

For a specific check you can have a datastream specified fix. However, if a Kubernetes fix is available, then the Compliance Operator creates a **ComplianceRemediation** object.

# **Example Compliance Remediation object**

```
apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1
kind: ComplianceRemediation
metadata:
 labels:
  compliance.openshift.io/suite: example-compliancesuite
  compliance.openshift.io/scan-name: workers-scan
  machineconfiguration.openshift.io/role: worker
 name: workers-scan-disable-users-coredumps
 namespace: openshift-compliance
 ownerReferences:
 - apiVersion: compliance.openshift.io/v1alpha1
  blockOwnerDeletion: true
  controller: true
  kind: ComplianceCheckResult
  name: workers-scan-disable-users-coredumps
  uid: <UID>
spec:
 apply: false 1
 object:
```

```
current: 2

apiVersion: machineconfiguration.openshift.io/v1
kind: MachineConfig
spec:
config:
ignition:
version: 2.2.0
storage:
files:
- contents:
source: data:,%2A%20%20%20%20hard%20%20%20core%20%20%20%200
filesystem: root
mode: 420
path: /etc/security/limits.d/75-disable_users_coredumps.conf
outdated: {} 3
```

- true indicates the remediation was applied. false indicates the remediation was not applied.
- Includes the definition of the remediation.
- Indicates remediation that was previously parsed from an earlier version of the content. The Compliance Operator still retains the outdated objects to give the administrator a chance to review the new remediations before applying them.

To get all the remediations from a suite, run the following command:

oc get complianceremediations -l compliance.openshift.io/suite=<suite name>

To list all failing checks that can be remediated automatically, run the following command:

oc get compliancecheckresults -l 'compliance.openshift.io/check-status in (FAIL),compliance.openshift.io/automated-remediation'

To list all failing checks that can be remediated manually, run the following command:

oc get compliance<br/>checkresults -l 'compliance.openshift.io/check-status in (FAIL),<br/>lcompliance.openshift.io/automated-remediation'

# **CHAPTER 6. FILE INTEGRITY OPERATOR**

# 6.1. FILE INTEGRITY OPERATOR RELEASE NOTES

The File Integrity Operator for OpenShift Container Platform continually runs file integrity checks on RHCOS nodes.

These release notes track the development of the File Integrity Operator in the OpenShift Container Platform.

For an overview of the File Integrity Operator, see Understanding the File Integrity Operator.

# 6.1.1. OpenShift File Integrity Operator 0.1.30

The following advisory is available for the OpenShift File Integrity Operator 0.1.30:

• RHBA-2022:5538 OpenShift File Integrity Operator Bug Fix and Enhancement Update

#### 6.1.1.1. Bug fixes

Previously, alerts issued by the File Integrity Operator did not set a namespace, making it
difficult to understand where the alert originated. Now, the Operator sets the appropriate
namespace, increasing understanding of the alert. (BZ#2101393)

# 6.1.2. OpenShift File Integrity Operator 0.1.24

The following advisory is available for the OpenShift File Integrity Operator 0.1.24:

RHBA-2022:1331 OpenShift File Integrity Operator Bug Fix

#### 6.1.2.1. New features and enhancements

You can now configure the maximum number of backups stored in the FileIntegrity Custom
Resource (CR) with the config.maxBackups attribute. This attribute specifies the number of
AIDE database and log backups left over from the re-init process to keep on the node. Older
backups beyond the configured number are automatically pruned. The default is set to five
backups.

# 6.1.2.2. Bug fixes

- Previously, upgrading the Operator from versions older than 0.1.21 to 0.1.22 could cause the reinit feature to fail. This was a result of the Operator failing to update configMap resource labels.
  Now, upgrading to the latest version fixes the resource labels. (BZ#2049206)
- Previously, when enforcing the default configMap script contents, the wrong data keys were compared. This resulted in the aide-reinit script not being updated properly after an Operator upgrade, and caused the re-init process to fail. Now, daemonSets run to completion and the AIDE database re-init process executes successfully. (BZ#2072058)

# 6.1.3. OpenShift File Integrity Operator 0.1.22

The following advisory is available for the OpenShift File Integrity Operator 0.1.22:

• RHBA-2022:0142 OpenShift File Integrity Operator Bug Fix

# 6.1.3.1. Bug fixes

Previously, a system with a File Integrity Operator installed might interrupt the OpenShift
Container Platform update, due to the /etc/kubernetes/aide.reinit file. This occurred if the
/etc/kubernetes/aide.reinit file was present, but later removed prior to the ostree validation.
With this update, /etc/kubernetes/aide.reinit is moved to the /run directory so that it does not
conflict with the OpenShift Container Platform update. (BZ#2033311)

# 6.1.4. OpenShift File Integrity Operator 0.1.21

The following advisory is available for the OpenShift File Integrity Operator 0.1.21:

• RHBA-2021:4631 OpenShift File Integrity Operator Bug Fix and Enhancement Update

#### 6.1.4.1. New features and enhancements

- The metrics related to FileIntegrity scan results and processing metrics are displayed on the
  monitoring dashboard on the web console. The results are labeled with the prefix of
  file\_integrity\_operator\_.
- If a node has an integrity failure for more than 1 second, the default **PrometheusRule** provided in the operator namespace alerts with a warning.
- The following dynamic Machine Config Operator and Cluster Version Operator related filepaths are excluded from the default AIDE policy to help prevent false positives during node updates:
  - /etc/machine-config-daemon/currentconfig
  - /etc/pki/ca-trust/extracted/java/cacerts
  - /etc/cvo/updatepayloads
  - o /root/.kube
- The AIDE daemon process has stability improvements over v0.1.16, and is more resilient to errors that might occur when the AIDE database is initialized.

# 6.1.4.2. Bug fixes

• Previously, when the Operator automatically upgraded, outdated daemon sets were not removed. With this release, outdated daemon sets are removed during the automatic upgrade.

#### 6.1.5. Additional resources

• Understanding the File Integrity Operator

# 6.2. INSTALLING THE FILE INTEGRITY OPERATOR

# 6.2.1. Installing the File Integrity Operator using the web console

**Prerequisites** 

• You must have **admin** privileges.

#### **Procedure**

- 1. In the OpenShift Container Platform web console, navigate to **Operators** → **OperatorHub**.
- 2. Search for the File Integrity Operator, then click Install.
- 3. Keep the default selection of **Installation mode** and **namespace** to ensure that the Operator will be installed to the **openshift-file-integrity** namespace.
- 4. Click Install.

#### Verification

To confirm that the installation is successful:

- 1. Navigate to the **Operators** → **Installed Operators** page.
- 2. Check that the Operator is installed in the **openshift-file-integrity** namespace and its status is **Succeeded**.

If the Operator is not installed successfully:

- 1. Navigate to the **Operators** → **Installed Operators** page and inspect the **Status** column for any errors or failures.
- 2. Navigate to the **Workloads** → **Pods** page and check the logs in any pods in the **openshift-file-integrity** project that are reporting issues.

# 6.2.2. Installing the File Integrity Operator using the CLI

#### **Prerequisites**

• You must have **admin** privileges.

#### Procedure

1. Create a **Namespace** object YAML file by running:

\$ oc create -f <file-name>.yaml

### **Example output**

apiVersion: v1 kind: Namespace metadata: labels: openshift.io/cluster-monitoring: "true" name: openshift-file-integrity

2. Create the **OperatorGroup** object YAML file:

\$ oc create -f <file-name>.yaml

# **Example output**

apiVersion: operators.coreos.com/v1

kind: OperatorGroup

metadata:

name: file-integrity-operator

namespace: openshift-file-integrity

spec:

targetNamespaces:

- openshift-file-integrity

3. Create the **Subscription** object YAML file:

\$ oc create -f <file-name>.yaml

# **Example output**

apiVersion: operators.coreos.com/v1alpha1

kind: Subscription

metadata:

name: file-integrity-operator

namespace: openshift-file-integrity

spec:

channel: "release-0.1"

installPlanApproval: Automatic name: file-integrity-operator source: redhat-operators

sourceNamespace: openshift-marketplace

# Verification

1. Verify the installation succeeded by inspecting the CSV file:

\$ oc get csv -n openshift-file-integrity

2. Verify that the File Integrity Operator is up and running:

\$ oc get deploy -n openshift-file-integrity

# 6.2.3. Additional resources

• The File Integrity Operator is supported in a restricted network environment. For more information, see Using Operator Lifecycle Manager on restricted networks .

### 6.3. UNDERSTANDING THE FILE INTEGRITY OPERATOR

The File Integrity Operator is an OpenShift Container Platform Operator that continually runs file integrity checks on the cluster nodes. It deploys a daemon set that initializes and runs privileged advanced intrusion detection environment (AIDE) containers on each node, providing a status object with a log of files that are modified during the initial run of the daemon set pods.



#### **IMPORTANT**

Currently, only Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) nodes are supported.

# 6.3.1. Creating the FileIntegrity custom resource

An instance of a **FileIntegrity** custom resource (CR) represents a set of continuous file integrity scans for one or more nodes.

Each **FileIntegrity** CR is backed by a daemon set running AIDE on the nodes matching the **FileIntegrity** CR specification.

#### **Procedure**

1. Create the following example **FileIntegrity** CR named **worker-fileintegrity.yaml** to enable scans on worker nodes:

# **Example FileIntegrity CR**

```
apiVersion: fileintegrity.openshift.io/v1alpha1 kind: FileIntegrity metadata:
   name: worker-fileintegrity
   namespace: openshift-file-integrity spec:
   nodeSelector:
      node-role.kubernetes.io/worker: ""
   config: {}
```

2. Apply the YAML file to the **openshift-file-integrity** namespace:

\$ oc apply -f worker-fileintegrity.yaml -n openshift-file-integrity

### Verification

• Confirm the **FileIntegrity** object was created successfully by running the following command:

\$ oc get fileintegrities -n openshift-file-integrity

# Example output

```
NAME AGE worker-fileintegrity 14s
```

# 6.3.2. Checking the FileIntegrity custom resource status

The **FileIntegrity** custom resource (CR) reports its status through the . **status.phase** subresource.

#### **Procedure**

• To query the **FileIntegrity** CR status, run:

\$ oc get fileintegrities/worker-fileintegrity -o jsonpath="{ .status.phase }"

# **Example output**

Active

# 6.3.3. FileIntegrity custom resource phases

- **Pending** The phase after the custom resource (CR) is created.
- Active The phase when the backing daemon set is up and running.
- Initializing The phase when the AIDE database is being reinitialized.

# 6.3.4. Understanding the FileIntegrityNodeStatuses object

The scan results of the **FileIntegrity** CR are reported in another object called **FileIntegrityNodeStatuses**.

\$ oc get fileintegritynodestatuses

# **Example output**

NAME AC	GE	
worker-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-130-192.ec2	2.internal	101s
worker-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-147-133.ec2	2.internal	109s
worker-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-165-160.ec2	2.internal	102s



#### NOTE

It might take some time for the **FileIntegrityNodeStatus** object results to be available.

There is one result object per node. The **nodeName** attribute of each **FileIntegrityNodeStatus** object corresponds to the node being scanned. The status of the file integrity scan is represented in the **results** array, which holds scan conditions.

 $\$ \ oc \ get \ file integrity no destatuses. file integrity. open shift. io \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq \ -ojson path = '\{.items[*]. results\}' \ | \ jq$ 

The **fileintegritynodestatus** object reports the latest status of an AIDE run and exposes the status as **Failed**, **Succeeded**, or **Errored** in a **status** field.

\$ oc get fileintegritynodestatuses -w

# Example output

NAME	NODE	STATUS
example-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-134-186.us-eas	st-2.compute.internal	ip-10-0-134-186.us-east-
2.compute.internal Succeeded		
example-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-150-230.us-eas	st-2.compute.internal	ip-10-0-150-230.us-east-
2.compute.internal Succeeded		
example-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-169-137.us-eas	st-2.compute.internal	ip-10-0-169-137.us-east-
2.compute.internal Succeeded		

```
example-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-180-200.us-east-2.compute.internal ip-10-0-180-200.us-east-
2.compute.internal Succeeded
example-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-194-66.us-east-2.compute.internal ip-10-0-194-66.us-east-
2.compute.internal Failed
example-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-222-188.us-east-2.compute.internal ip-10-0-222-188.us-east-
2.compute.internal Succeeded
example-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-134-186.us-east-2.compute.internal ip-10-0-134-186.us-east-
2.compute.internal Succeeded
example-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-222-188.us-east-2.compute.internal ip-10-0-222-188.us-east-
2.compute.internal Succeeded
example-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-194-66.us-east-2.compute.internal ip-10-0-194-66.us-east-
2.compute.internal Failed
example-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-150-230.us-east-2.compute.internal ip-10-0-150-230.us-east-
2.compute.internal Succeeded
example-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-180-200.us-east-2.compute.internal ip-10-0-180-200.us-east-
2.compute.internal Succeeded
```

# 6.3.5. FileIntegrityNodeStatus CR status types

These conditions are reported in the results array of the corresponding **FileIntegrityNodeStatus** CR status:

- **Succeeded** The integrity check passed; the files and directories covered by the AIDE check have not been modified since the database was last initialized.
- **Failed** The integrity check failed; some files or directories covered by the AIDE check have been modified since the database was last initialized.
- **Errored** The AIDE scanner encountered an internal error.

### 6.3.5.1. FileIntegrityNodeStatus CR success example

### Example output of a condition with a success status

In this case, all three scans succeeded and so far there are no other conditions.

# 6.3.5.2. FileIntegrityNodeStatus CR failure status example

To simulate a failure condition, modify one of the files AIDE tracks. For example, modify /etc/resolv.conf on one of the worker nodes:

\$ oc debug node/ip-10-0-130-192.ec2.internal

# Example output

```
Creating debug namespace/openshift-debug-node-ldfbj ...
Starting pod/ip-10-0-130-192ec2internal-debug ...
To use host binaries, run `chroot /host`
Pod IP: 10.0.130.192
If you don't see a command prompt, try pressing enter.
sh-4.2# echo "# integrity test" >> /host/etc/resolv.conf
sh-4.2# exit

Removing debug pod ...
Removing debug namespace/openshift-debug-node-ldfbj ...
```

After some time, the **Failed** condition is reported in the results array of the corresponding **FileIntegrityNodeStatus** object. The previous **Succeeded** condition is retained, which allows you to pinpoint the time the check failed.

\$ oc get fileintegritynodestatuses.fileintegrity.openshift.io/worker-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-130-192.ec2.internal -ojsonpath='{.results}' | jq -r

Alternatively, if you are not mentioning the object name, run:

\$ oc get fileintegritynodestatuses.fileintegrity.openshift.io -ojsonpath='{.items[\*].results}' | jq

### **Example output**

The Failed condition points to a config map that gives more details about what exactly failed and why:

\$ oc describe cm aide-ds-worker-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-130-192.ec2.internal-failed

# **Example output**

Name: aide-ds-worker-fileintegrity-ip-10-0-130-192.ec2.internal-failed

Namespace: openshift-file-integrity

Labels: file-integrity.openshift.io/node=ip-10-0-130-192.ec2.internal

file-integrity.openshift.io/owner=worker-fileintegrity

file-integrity.openshift.io/result-log=

Annotations: file-integrity.openshift.io/files-added: 0

file-integrity.openshift.io/files-changed: 1 file-integrity.openshift.io/files-removed: 0

Data

integritylog:

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AIDE 0.15.1 found differences between database and filesystem!!

Start timestamp: 2020-09-15 12:58:15

Summary:

Total number of files: 31553 Added files: 0 Removed files: 0 Changed files: 1

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Changed files:

changed: /hostroot/etc/resolv.conf

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Detailed information about changes:

File: /hostroot/etc/resolv.conf

SHA512 : sTQYpB/AL7FeoGtu/1g7opv6C+KT1CBJ, qAeM+a8yTgHPnIHMaRIS+so61EN8VOpg

Events: <none>

Due to the config map data size limit, AIDE logs over 1 MB are added to the failure config map as a base64-encoded gzip archive. In this case, you want to pipe the output of the above command to **base64 --decode** | **gunzip**. Compressed logs are indicated by the presence of a **file-integrity.openshift.io/compressed** annotation key in the config map.

# 6.3.6. Understanding events

Transitions in the status of the **FileIntegrity** and **FileIntegrityNodeStatus** objects are logged by *events*. The creation time of the event reflects the latest transition, such as **Initializing** to **Active**, and not necessarily the latest scan result. However, the newest event always reflects the most recent status.

\$ oc get events --field-selector reason=FileIntegrityStatus

**Example output** 

LAST SEEN TYPE REASON OBJECT MESSAGE

97s	Normal	FileIntegrityStatus	fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity	Pending
67s	Normal	FileIntegrityStatus	fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity	Initializing
37s	Normal	FileIntegrityStatus	fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity	Active

When a node scan fails, an event is created with the **add/changed/removed** and config map information.

\$ oc get events --field-selector reason=NodeIntegrityStatus

# Example output

LAST SEEN TYPE REASON	OBJECT M	ESSAGE		
114m Normal NodeIntegrityStatus	fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity	no changes to node ip-10-		
0-134-173.ec2.internal				
114m Normal NodeIntegrityStatus	fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity	no changes to node ip-10-		
0-168-238.ec2.internal				
114m Normal NodeIntegrityStatus	fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity	no changes to node ip-10-		
0-169-175.ec2.internal				
114m Normal NodeIntegrityStatus	fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity	no changes to node ip-10-		
0-152-92.ec2.internal				
114m Normal NodeIntegrityStatus	fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity	no changes to node ip-10-		
0-158-144.ec2.internal				
114m Normal NodeIntegrityStatus	fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity	no changes to node ip-10-		
0-131-30.ec2.internal				
87m Warning NodeIntegrityStatus	fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity	node ip-10-0-152-		
92.ec2.internal has changed! a:1,c:1,r:0 \ log:openshift-file-integrity/aide-ds-example-fileintegrity-ip-				
10-0-152-92.ec2.internal-failed				

Changes to the number of added, changed, or removed files results in a new event, even if the status of the node has not transitioned.

\$ oc get events --field-selector reason=NodeIntegrityStatus

# Example output

LAST SEEN TYPE REASON OBJECT MESSAGE				
114m Normal NodeIntegrityStatus fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity no changes to node ip-10-				
0-134-173.ec2.internal				
114m Normal NodeIntegrityStatus fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity no changes to node ip-10-				
0-168-238.ec2.internal				
114m Normal NodeIntegrityStatus fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity no changes to node ip-10-				
0-169-175.ec2.internal				
114m Normal NodeIntegrityStatus fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity no changes to node ip-10-				
0-152-92.ec2.internal				
114m Normal NodeIntegrityStatus fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity no changes to node ip-10-				
0-158-144.ec2.internal				
114m Normal NodeIntegrityStatus fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity no changes to node ip-10-				
0-131-30.ec2.internal				
87m Warning NodeIntegrityStatus fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity node ip-10-0-152-				
92.ec2.internal has changed! a:1,c:1,r:0 \ log:openshift-file-integrity/aide-ds-example-fileintegrity-ip-				
10-0-152-92.ec2.internal-failed				
40m Warning NodeIntegrityStatus fileintegrity/example-fileintegrity node ip-10-0-152-				
92.ec2.internal has changed! a:3,c:1,r:0 \ log:openshift-file-integrity/aide-ds-example-fileintegrity-ip-				
10-0-152-92.ec2.internal-failed				

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# 6.4. CONFIGURING THE CUSTOM FILE INTEGRITY OPERATOR

# 6.4.1. Viewing FileIntegrity object attributes

As with any Kubernetes custom resources (CRs), you can run **oc explain fileintegrity**, and then look at the individual attributes using:

\$ oc explain fileintegrity.spec

\$ oc explain fileintegrity.spec.config

# 6.4.2. Important attributes

Table 6.1. Important spec and spec.config attributes

Attribute	Description
spec.nodeSelector	A map of key-values pairs that must match with node's labels in order for the AIDE pods to be schedulable on that node. The typical use is to set only a single key-value pair where <b>node-role.kubernetes.io/worker: ""</b> schedules AIDE on all worker nodes, <b>node.openshift.io/os_id:</b> " <b>rhcos"</b> schedules on all Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) nodes.
spec.debug	A boolean attribute. If set to <b>true</b> , the daemon running in the AIDE deamon set's pods would output extra information.
spec.tolerations	Specify tolerations to schedule on nodes with custom taints. When not specified, a default toleration is applied, which allows tolerations to run on control plane nodes (also known as the master nodes).
spec.config.gracePeriod	The number of seconds to pause in between AIDE integrity checks. Frequent AIDE checks on a node can be resource intensive, so it can be useful to specify a longer interval. Defaults to <b>900</b> , or 15 minutes.
maxBackups	The maximum number of AIDE database and log backups leftover from the <b>re-init</b> process to keep on a node. Older backups beyond this number are automatically pruned by the daemon.

Attribute	Description
spec.config.name	Name of a configMap that contains custom AIDE configuration. If omitted, a default configuration is created.
spec.config.namespace	Namespace of a configMap that contains custom AIDE configuration. If unset, the FIO generates a default configuration suitable for RHCOS systems.
spec.config.key	Key that contains actual AIDE configuration in a config map specified by <b>name</b> and <b>namespace</b> . The default value is <b>aide.conf</b> .

# 6.4.3. Examine the default configuration

The default File Integrity Operator configuration is stored in a config map with the same name as the **FileIntegrity** CR.

#### **Procedure**

• To examine the default config, run:

\$ oc describe cm/worker-fileintegrity

# 6.4.4. Understanding the default File Integrity Operator configuration

Below is an excerpt from the **aide.conf** key of the config map:

```
@@define DBDIR /hostroot/etc/kubernetes
@@define LOGDIR /hostroot/etc/kubernetes
database=file:@@{DBDIR}/aide.db.gz
database_out=file:@@{DBDIR}/aide.db.gz
gzip_dbout=yes
verbose=5
report_url=file:@@{LOGDIR}/aide.log
report_url=stdout
PERMS = p+u+g+acl+selinux+xattrs
CONTENT_EX = sha512+ftype+p+u+g+n+acl+selinux+xattrs
/hostroot/boot/ CONTENT_EX
/hostroot/root/\..* PERMS
/hostroot/root/ CONTENT_EX
```

The default configuration for a **FileIntegrity** instance provides coverage for files under the following directories:

- /root
- /boot
- /usr

/etc

The following directories are not covered:

- /var
- /opt
- Some OpenShift-specific excludes under /etc/

# 6.4.5. Supplying a custom AIDE configuration

Any entries that configure AIDE internal behavior such as **DBDIR**, **LOGDIR**, **database**, and **database\_out** are overwritten by the Operator. The Operator would add a prefix to /hostroot/ before all paths to be watched for integrity changes. This makes reusing existing AIDE configs that might often not be tailored for a containerized environment and start from the root directory easier.



#### NOTE

/hostroot is the directory where the pods running AIDE mount the host's file system. Changing the configuration triggers a reinitializing of the database.

# 6.4.6. Defining a custom File Integrity Operator configuration

This example focuses on defining a custom configuration for a scanner that runs on the control plane nodes (also known as the master nodes) based on the default configuration provided for the **worker-fileintegrity** CR. This workflow might be useful if you are planning to deploy a custom software running as a daemon set and storing its data under /opt/mydaemon on the control plane nodes.

#### **Procedure**

- 1. Make a copy of the default configuration.
- 2. Edit the default configuration with the files that must be watched or excluded.
- 3. Store the edited contents in a new config map.
- 4. Point the **FileIntegrity** object to the new config map through the attributes in **spec.config**.
- 5. Extract the default configuration:

\$ oc extract cm/worker-fileintegrity --keys=aide.conf

This creates a file named **aide.conf** that you can edit. To illustrate how the Operator post-processes the paths, this example adds an exclude directory without the prefix:

\$ vim aide.conf

#### Example output

/hostroot/etc/kubernetes/static-pod-resources !/hostroot/etc/kubernetes/aide.\* !/hostroot/etc/kubernetes/manifests !/hostroot/etc/docker/certs.d !/hostroot/etc/selinux/targeted !/hostroot/etc/openvswitch/conf.db

Exclude a path specific to control plane nodes:

!/opt/mydaemon/

Store the other content in /etc:

/hostroot/etc/ CONTENT\_EX

6. Create a config map based on this file:

\$ oc create cm master-aide-conf --from-file=aide.conf

7. Define a **FileIntegrity** CR manifest that references the config map:

apiVersion: fileintegrity.openshift.io/v1alpha1kind: FileIntegrity
metadata:
name: master-fileintegrity
namespace: openshift-file-integrity
spec:
nodeSelector:
node-role.kubernetes.io/master: ""
config:
name: master-aide-conf
namespace: openshift-file-integrity

The Operator processes the provided config map file and stores the result in a config map with the same name as the **FileIntegrity** object:

\$ oc describe cm/master-fileintegrity | grep /opt/mydaemon

# **Example output**

!/hostroot/opt/mydaemon

# 6.4.7. Changing the custom File Integrity configuration

To change the File Integrity configuration, never change the generated config map. Instead, change the config map that is linked to the **FileIntegrity** object through the **spec.name**, **namespace**, and **key** attributes.

# 6.5. PERFORMING ADVANCED CUSTOM FILE INTEGRITY OPERATOR TASKS

# 6.5.1. Reinitializing the database

If the File Integrity Operator detects a change that was planned, it might be required to reinitialize the database.

#### **Procedure**

• Annotate the FileIntegrity custom resource (CR) with file-integrity.openshift.io/re-init:

\$ oc annotate fileintegrities/worker-fileintegrity file-integrity.openshift.io/re-init=

The old database and log files are backed up and a new database is initialized. The old database and logs are retained on the nodes under /etc/kubernetes, as seen in the following output from a pod spawned using oc debug:

# **Example output**

```
Is -IR /host/etc/kubernetes/aide.*
-rw------. 1 root root 1839782 Sep 17 15:08 /host/etc/kubernetes/aide.db.gz
-rw------. 1 root root 1839783 Sep 17 14:30 /host/etc/kubernetes/aide.db.gz.backup-
20200917T15_07_38
-rw------. 1 root root 73728 Sep 17 15:07 /host/etc/kubernetes/aide.db.gz.backup-
20200917T15_07_55
-rw-r----. 1 root root 0 Sep 17 15:08 /host/etc/kubernetes/aide.log
-rw------. 1 root root 613 Sep 17 15:07 /host/etc/kubernetes/aide.log.backup-
20200917T15_07_38
-rw-r----. 1 root root 0 Sep 17 15:07 /host/etc/kubernetes/aide.log.backup-
20200917T15_07_35
```

To provide some permanence of record, the resulting config maps are not owned by the **FileIntegrity** object, so manual cleanup is necessary. As a result, any previous integrity failures would still be visible in the **FileIntegrityNodeStatus** object.

# 6.5.2. Machine config integration

In OpenShift Container Platform 4, the cluster node configuration is delivered through **MachineConfig** objects. You can assume that the changes to files that are caused by a **MachineConfig** object are expected and should not cause the file integrity scan to fail. To suppress changes to files caused by **MachineConfig** object updates, the File Integrity Operator watches the node objects; when a node is being updated, the AIDE scans are suspended for the duration of the update. When the update finishes, the database is reinitialized and the scans resume.

This pause and resume logic only applies to updates through the **MachineConfig** API, as they are reflected in the node object annotations.

# 6.5.3. Exploring the daemon sets

Each **FileIntegrity** object represents a scan on a number of nodes. The scan itself is performed by pods managed by a daemon set.

To find the daemon set that represents a **FileIntegrity** object, run:

\$ oc -n openshift-file-integrity get ds/aide-worker-fileintegrity

To list the pods in that daemon set, run:

\$ oc -n openshift-file-integrity get pods -lapp=aide-worker-fileintegrity

To view logs of a single AIDE pod, call oc logs on one of the pods.

\$ oc -n openshift-file-integrity logs pod/aide-worker-fileintegrity-mr8x6

# **Example output**

Starting the AIDE runner daemon initializing AIDE db initialization finished running aide check

The config maps created by the AIDE daemon are not retained and are deleted after the File Integrity Operator processes them. However, on failure and error, the contents of these config maps are copied to the config map that the **FileIntegrityNodeStatus** object points to.

# 6.6. TROUBLESHOOTING THE FILE INTEGRITY OPERATOR

# 6.6.1. General troubleshooting

#### Issue

You want to generally troubleshoot issues with the File Integrity Operator.

#### Resolution

Enable the debug flag in the **FileIntegrity** object. The **debug** flag increases the verbosity of the daemons that run in the **DaemonSet** pods and run the AIDE checks.

# 6.6.2. Checking the AIDE configuration

#### Issue

You want to check the AIDE configuration.

#### Resolution

The AIDE configuration is stored in a config map with the same name as the **FileIntegrity** object. All AIDE configuration config maps are labeled with **file-integrity.openshift.io/aide-conf**.

# 6.6.3. Determining the FileIntegrity object's phase

#### Issue

You want to determine if the FileIntegrity object exists and see its current status.

### Resolution

To see the **FileIntegrity** object's current status, run:

\$ oc get fileintegrities/worker-fileintegrity -o jsonpath="{ .status }"

Once the **FileIntegrity** object and the backing daemon set are created, the status should switch to **Active**. If it does not, check the Operator pod logs.

# 6.6.4. Determining that the daemon set's pods are running on the expected nodes

#### Issue

You want to confirm that the daemon set exists and that its pods are running on the nodes you expect them to run on.

#### Resolution

Run:



\$ oc -n openshift-file-integrity get pods -lapp=aide-worker-fileintegrity



# **NOTE**

Adding **-owide** includes the IP address of the node that the pod is running on.

To check the logs of the daemon pods, run **oc logs**.

Check the return value of the AIDE command to see if the check passed or failed.

# **CHAPTER 7. VIEWING AUDIT LOGS**

OpenShift Container Platform auditing provides a security-relevant chronological set of records documenting the sequence of activities that have affected the system by individual users, administrators, or other components of the system.

# 7.1. ABOUT THE API AUDIT LOG

Audit works at the API server level, logging all requests coming to the server. Each audit log contains the following information:

Table 7.1. Audit log fields

Field	Description	
level	The audit level at which the event was generated.	
auditlD	A unique audit ID, generated for each request.	
stage	The stage of the request handling when this event instance was generated.	
requestURI	The request URI as sent by the client to a server.	
verb	The Kubernetes verb associated with the request. For non-resource requests, this is the lowercase HTTP method.	
user	The authenticated user information.	
impersonatedUser	Optional. The impersonated user information, if the request is impersonating another user.	
sourcelPs	Optional. The source IPs, from where the request originated and any intermediate proxies.	
userAgent	Optional. The user agent string reported by the client. Note that the user agent is provided by the client, and must not be trusted.	
objectRef	Optional. The object reference this request is targeted at. This does not apply for <b>List</b> -type requests, or non-resource requests.	
responseStatus	Optional. The response status, populated even when the <b>ResponseObject</b> is not a <b>Status</b> type. For successful responses, this will only include the code. For non-status type error responses, this will be auto-populated with the error message.	

Field	Description	
requestObject	Optional. The API object from the request, in JSON format. The <b>RequestObject</b> is recorded as is in the request (possibly re-encoded as JSON), prior to version conversion, defaulting, admission or merging. It is an external versioned object type, and might not be a valid object on its own. This is omitted for non-resource requests and is only logged at request level and higher.	
responseObject	Optional. The API object returned in the response, in JSON format. The <b>ResponseObject</b> is recorded after conversion to the external type, and serialized as JSON. This is omitted for non-resource requests and is only logged at response level.	
requestReceivedTimestamp	The time that the request reached the API server.	
stageTimestamp	The time that the request reached the current audit stage.	
annotations	Optional. An unstructured key value map stored with an audit event that may be set by plug-ins invoked in the request serving chain, including authentication, authorization and admission plug-ins. Note that these annotations are for the audit event, and do not correspond to the <b>metadata.annotations</b> of the submitted object. Keys should uniquely identify the informing component to avoid name collisions, for example <b>podsecuritypolicy.admission.k8s.io/policy</b> . Values should be short. Annotations are included in the metadata level.	

Example output for the Kubernetes API server:

{"kind":"Event","apiVersion":"audit.k8s.io/v1","level":"Metadata","auditID":"ad209ce1-fec7-4130-8192-c4cc63f1d8cd","stage":"ResponseComplete","requestURI":"/api/v1/namespaces/openshift-kube-controller-manager/configmaps/cert-recovery-controller-lock?timeout=35s","verb":"update","user": {"username":"system:serviceaccount:openshift-kube-controller-manager:localhost-recovery-client","uid":"dd4997e3-d565-4e37-80f8-7fc122ccd785","groups": ["system:serviceaccounts","system:serviceaccounts:openshift-kube-controller-manager","system:authenticated"]},"sourceIPs":["::1"],"userAgent":"cluster-kube-controller-manager-operator/v0.0.0 (linux/amd64) kubernetes/\$Format","objectRef": {"resource":"configmaps","namespace":"openshift-kube-controller-manager","name":"cert-recovery-controller-lock","uid":"5c57190b-6993-425d-8101-8337e48c7548","apiVersion":"v1","resourceVersion":"574307"},"responseStatus":{"metadata": {},"code":200},"requestReceivedTimestamp":"2020-04-02T08:27:20.206710Z","annotations": {"authorization.k8s.io/decision":"allow","authorization.k8s.io/reason":"RBAC: allowed by ClusterRoleBinding \"system:openshift:operator:kube-controller-manager-recovery\" of ClusterRole

\"cluster-admin\" to ServiceAccount \"localhost-recovery-client/openshift-kube-controller-manager\""}}

# 7.2. VIEWING THE AUDIT LOGS

You can view the logs for the OpenShift API server, Kubernetes API server, and OpenShift OAuth API server for each control plane node (also known as the master node).

#### **Procedure**

To view the audit logs:

- View the OpenShift API server logs:
  - a. List the OpenShift API server logs that are available for each control plane node:

\$ oc adm node-logs --role=master --path=openshift-apiserver/

# **Example output**

```
ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-0 audit-2021-03-09T00-12-19.834.log ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-0 audit.log ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-1 audit-2021-03-09T00-11-49.835.log ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-1 audit.log ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-2 audit-2021-03-09T00-13-00.128.log ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-2 audit.log
```

b. View a specific OpenShift API server log by providing the node name and the log name:

\$ oc adm node-logs <node\_name> --path=openshift-apiserver/<log\_name>

For example:

 $\$  oc adm node-logs ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-0 --path=openshift-apiserver/audit-2021-03-09T00-12-19.834.log

# **Example output**

```
{"kind":"Event","apiVersion":"audit.k8s.io/v1","level":"Metadata","auditID":"381acf6d-5f30-4c7d-8175-
c9c317ae5893","stage":"ResponseComplete","requestURI":"/metrics","verb":"get","user":
{"username":"system:serviceaccount:openshift-monitoring:prometheus-k8s","uid":"825b60a0-3976-4861-a342-3b2b561e8f82","groups":
["system:serviceaccounts","system:serviceaccounts:openshift-monitoring","system:authenticated"]},"sourcelPs":
["10.129.2.6"],"userAgent":"Prometheus/2.23.0","responseStatus":{"metadata":
{},"code":200},"requestReceivedTimestamp":"2021-03-
08T18:02:04.086545Z","stageTimestamp":"2021-03-
08T18:02:04.107102Z","annotations":
{"authorization.k8s.io/decision":"allow","authorization.k8s.io/reason":"RBAC: allowed by ClusterRoleBinding \"prometheus-k8s\" of ClusterRole \"prometheus-k8s\" to ServiceAccount \"prometheus-k8s\" of ClusterRole \"prometheus-k8s\" to ServiceAccount \"prometheus-k8s\" poenshift-monitoring\""}}
```

- View the Kubernetes API server logs:
  - a. List the Kubernetes API server logs that are available for each control plane node:

\$ oc adm node-logs --role=master --path=kube-apiserver/

# **Example output**

```
ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-0 audit-2021-03-09T14-07-27.129.log ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-0 audit.log ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-1 audit-2021-03-09T19-24-22.620.log ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-1 audit.log ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-2 audit-2021-03-09T18-37-07.511.log ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-2 audit.log
```

b. View a specific Kubernetes API server log by providing the node name and the log name:

\$ oc adm node-logs <node name> --path=kube-apiserver/<log name>

For example:

\$ oc adm node-logs ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-0 --path=kube-apiserver/audit-2021-03-09T14-07-27.129.log

# Example output

```
{"kind":"Event","apiVersion":"audit.k8s.io/v1","level":"Metadata","auditID":"cfce8a0b-b5f5-
4365-8c9f-
79c1227d10f9", "stage": "ResponseComplete", "requestURI": "/api/v1/namespaces/openshift-
kube-scheduler/serviceaccounts/openshift-kube-scheduler-sa", "verb": "get", "user":
{"username": "system: service account: openshift-kube-scheduler-operator: openshift-kube-
scheduler-operator", "uid": "2574b041-f3c8-44e6-a057-baef7aa81516", "groups":
["system:serviceaccounts", "system:serviceaccounts:openshift-kube-scheduler-
operator", "system:authenticated"]}, "sourceIPs": ["10.128.0.8"], "userAgent": "cluster-kube-
scheduler-operator/v0.0.0 (linux/amd64) kubernetes/$Format","objectRef":
{"resource": "serviceaccounts", "namespace": "openshift-kube-
scheduler", "name": "openshift-kube-scheduler-sa", "apiVersion": "v1"}, "responseStatus":
{"metadata":{},"code":200},"requestReceivedTimestamp":"2021-03-
08T18:06:42.512619Z","stageTimestamp":"2021-03-
08T18:06:42.516145Z", "annotations": { "authentication.k8s.io/legacy-
token":"system:serviceaccount:openshift-kube-scheduler-operator:openshift-kube-
scheduler-
operator", "authorization.k8s.io/decision": "allow", "authorization.k8s.io/reason": "RBAC:
allowed by ClusterRoleBinding \"system:openshift:operator:cluster-kube-scheduler-
operator\" of ClusterRole \"cluster-admin\" to ServiceAccount \"openshift-kube-scheduler-
operator/openshift-kube-scheduler-operator\""}}
```

- View the OpenShift OAuth API server logs:
  - a. List the OpenShift OAuth API server logs that are available for each control plane node:

\$ oc adm node-logs --role=master --path=oauth-apiserver/

# Example output

```
ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-0 audit-2021-03-09T13-06-26.128.log ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-0 audit.log ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-1 audit-2021-03-09T18-23-21.619.log
```

ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-1 audit.log ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-2 audit-2021-03-09T17-36-06.510.log ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-2 audit.log

b. View a specific OpenShift OAuth API server log by providing the node name and the log name:

\$ oc adm node-logs <node\_name> --path=oauth-apiserver/<log\_name>

For example:

\$ oc adm node-logs ci-ln-m0wpfjb-f76d1-vnb5x-master-0 --path=oauth-apiserver/audit-2021-03-09T13-06-26.128.log

### Example output

{"kind":"Event","apiVersion":"audit.k8s.io/v1","level":"Metadata","auditID":"dd4c44e2-3ea1-4830-9ab7c91a5f1388d6", "stage": "ResponseComplete", "requestURI": "/apis/user.openshift.io/v1/users /~","verb":"get","user":{"username":"system:serviceaccount:openshiftmonitoring:prometheus-k8s", "groups": ["system:serviceaccounts", "system:serviceaccounts:openshiftmonitoring", "system:authenticated"]}, "sourceIPs": ["10.0.32.4","10.128.0.1"],"userAgent":"dockerregistry/v0.0.0 (linux/amd64) kubernetes/\$Format","objectRef": {"resource":"users","name":"~","apiGroup":"user.openshift.io","apiVersion":"v1"},"response Status":{"metadata":{},"code":200},"requestReceivedTimestamp":"2021-03-08T17:47:43.653187Z","stageTimestamp":"2021-03-08T17:47:43.660187Z","annotations": {"authorization.k8s.io/decision":"allow","authorization.k8s.io/reason":"RBAC: allowed by ClusterRoleBinding \"basic-users\" of ClusterRole \"basic-user\" to Group \"system:authenticated\""}}

# 7.3. FILTERING AUDIT LOGS

You can use jq or another JSON parsing tool to filter the API server audit logs.



#### NOTE

The amount of information logged to the API server audit logs is controlled by the audit log policy that is set.

The following procedure provides examples of using **jq** to filter audit logs on control plane node **node-1.example.com**. See the jq Manual for detailed information on using **jq**.

# **Prerequisites**

- You have access to the cluster as a user with the cluster-admin role.
- You have installed jq.

#### Procedure

Filter OpenShift API server audit logs by user:

```
$ oc adm node-logs node-1.example.com \
--path=openshift-apiserver/audit.log \
| jq 'select(.user.username == "myusername")'
```

• Filter OpenShift API server audit logs by user agent:

```
$ oc adm node-logs node-1.example.com \
   --path=openshift-apiserver/audit.log \
   | jq 'select(.userAgent == "cluster-version-operator/v0.0.0 (linux/amd64) |
kubernetes/$Format")'
```

• Filter Kubernetes API server audit logs by a certain API version and only output the user agent:

```
$ oc adm node-logs node-1.example.com \
--path=kube-apiserver/audit.log \
| jq 'select(.requestURI | startswith("/apis/apiextensions.k8s.io/v1beta1")) | .userAgent'
```

• Filter OpenShift OAuth API server audit logs by excluding a verb:

```
$ oc adm node-logs node-1.example.com \
--path=oauth-apiserver/audit.log \
| jq 'select(.verb != "get")'
```

# 7.4. GATHERING AUDIT LOGS

You can use the must-gather tool to collect the audit logs for debugging your cluster, which you can review or send to Red Hat Support.

#### Procedure

- 1. Run the oc adm must-gather command with the -- /usr/bin/gather\_audit\_logs flag:
  - \$ oc adm must-gather -- /usr/bin/gather\_audit\_logs
- Create a compressed file from the **must-gather** directory that was just created in your working directory. For example, on a computer that uses a Linux operating system, run the following command:
  - \$ tar cvaf must-gather.tar.gz must-gather.local.472290403699006248
  - Replace **must-gather-local.472290403699006248** with the actual directory name.
- 3. Attach the compressed file to your support case on the Red Hat Customer Portal.

# 7.5. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Must-gather tool
- API audit log event structure

- Configuring the audit log policy
- Forwarding logs to third party systems

# CHAPTER 8. CONFIGURING THE AUDIT LOG POLICY

You can control the amount of information that is logged to the API server audit logs by choosing the audit log policy profile to use.

# 8.1. ABOUT AUDIT LOG POLICY PROFILES

Audit log profiles define how to log requests that come to the OpenShift API server, the Kubernetes API server, and the OAuth API server.

OpenShift Container Platform provides the following predefined audit policy profiles:

Profile	Description	
Default	Logs only metadata for read and write requests; does not log request bodies except for OAuth access token creation (login) requests. This is the default policy.	
WriteRequestBodies	In addition to logging metadata for all requests, logs request bodies for every write request to the API servers ( <b>create</b> , <b>update</b> , <b>patch</b> ). This profile has more resource overhead than the <b>Default</b> profile. [1]	
AllRequestBodies	In addition to logging metadata for all requests, logs request bodies for every read and write request to the API servers ( <b>get</b> , <b>list</b> , <b>create</b> , <b>update</b> , <b>patch</b> ). This profile has the most resource overhead. <sup>[1]</sup>	

 Sensitive resources, such as Secret, Route, and OAuthClient objects, are never logged past the metadata level. OAuth tokens are not logged at all if your cluster was upgraded from OpenShift Container Platform 4.5, because their object names might contain secret information.

By default, OpenShift Container Platform uses the **Default** audit log profile. You can use another audit policy profile that also logs request bodies, but be aware of the increased resource usage (CPU, memory, and I/O).

# 8.2. CONFIGURING THE AUDIT LOG POLICY

You can configure the audit log policy to use when logging requests that come to the API servers.

# **Prerequisites**

• You have access to the cluster as a user with the **cluster-admin** role.

# **Procedure**

- 1. Edit the **APIServer** resource:
  - \$ oc edit apiserver cluster
- 2. Update the **spec.audit.profile** field:
  - apiVersion: config.openshift.io/v1

kind: APIServer
metadata:
...
spec:
audit:
profile: WriteRequestBodies 1

- Set to Default, WriteRequestBodies, or AllRequestBodies. The default profile is Default.
- 3. Save the file to apply the changes.
- 4. Verify that a new revision of the Kubernetes API server pods has rolled out. This will take several minutes.

\$ oc get kubeapiserver -o=jsonpath='{range .items[0].status.conditions[? (@.type=="NodeInstallerProgressing")]}{.reason}{"\n"}{.message}{"\n"}'

Review the **NodeInstallerProgressing** status condition for the Kubernetes API server to verify that all nodes are at the latest revision. The output shows **AllNodesAtLatestRevision** upon successful update:

AllNodesAtLatestRevision 3 nodes are at revision 12 1

In this example, the latest revision number is 12.

If the output shows a message similar to one of the following, this means that the update is still in progress. Wait a few minutes and try again.

- 3 nodes are at revision 11; 0 nodes have achieved new revision 12
- 2 nodes are at revision 11; 1 nodes are at revision 12

# CHAPTER 9. CONFIGURING TLS SECURITY PROFILES

TLS security profiles provide a way for servers to regulate which ciphers a client can use when connecting to the server. This ensures that OpenShift Container Platform components use cryptographic libraries that do not allow known insecure protocols, ciphers, or algorithms.

Cluster administrators can choose which TLS security profile to use for each of the following components:

- the Ingress Controller
- the control plane
   This includes the Kubernetes API server, OpenShift API server, OpenShift OAuth API server, and OpenShift OAuth server.

# 9.1. UNDERSTANDING TLS SECURITY PROFILES

You can use a TLS (Transport Layer Security) security profile to define which TLS ciphers are required by various OpenShift Container Platform components. The OpenShift Container Platform TLS security profiles are based on Mozilla recommended configurations.

You can specify one of the following TLS security profiles for each component:

Table 9.1. TLS security profiles

Profile	Description	
Old	This profile is intended for use with legacy clients or libraries. The profile is based on the Old backward compatibility recommended configuration.  The <b>Old</b> profile requires a minimum TLS version of 1.0.	
	NOTE  For the Ingress Controller, the minimum TLS version is converted from 1.0 to 1.1.	
Intermediate	This profile is the recommended configuration for the majority of clients. It is the default TLS security profile for the Ingress Controller and control plane. The profile is based on the Intermediate compatibility recommended configuration.  The Intermediate profile requires a minimum TLS version of 1.2.	

Profile	Description	
Modern	backwards comp compatibility reco The <b>Modern</b> pro	ended for use with modern clients that have no need for patibility. This profile is based on the Modern commended configuration.  ofile requires a minimum TLS version of 1.3.  NOTE  In OpenShift Container Platform 4.6, 4.7, and 4.8, the Modern profile is unsupported. If selected, the Intermediate profile is enabled.  IMPORTANT  The Modern profile is currently not supported.
Custom	This profile allow	us you to define the TLS version and ciphers to use.
		WARNING  Use caution when using a <b>Custom</b> profile, because invalid configurations can cause problems.
		OpenShift Container Platform router enables Red Hatdistributed OpenSSL default set of TLS <b>1.3</b> cipher suites. Your cluster might accept TLS <b>1.3</b> connections and cipher suites, even though TLS <b>1.3</b> is unsupported in OpenShift Container Platform 4.6, 4.7, and 4.8.



# **NOTE**

When using one of the predefined profile types, the effective profile configuration is subject to change between releases. For example, given a specification to use the Intermediate profile deployed on release X.Y.Z, an upgrade to release X.Y.Z+1 might cause a new profile configuration to be applied, resulting in a rollout.

# 9.2. VIEWING TLS SECURITY PROFILE DETAILS

You can view the minimum TLS version and ciphers for the predefined TLS security profiles for each of the following components: Ingress Controller and control plane.



#### **IMPORTANT**

The effective configuration of minimum TLS version and list of ciphers for a profile might differ between components.

#### **Procedure**

- View details for a specific TLS security profile:
  - \$ oc explain <component>.spec.tlsSecurityProfile.<profile> 1
  - For <component>, specify ingresscontroller or apiserver. For cprofile>, specify old, intermediate, or custom.

For example, to check the ciphers included for the **intermediate** profile for the control plane:

\$ oc explain apiserver.spec.tlsSecurityProfile.intermediate

# **Example output**

KIND: APIServer

VERSION: config.openshift.io/v1

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

intermediate is a TLS security profile based on:

https://wiki.mozilla.org/Security/Server\_Side\_TLS#Intermediate\_compatibility\_.28recommended .29

and looks like this (yaml):

ciphers: - TLS\_AES\_128\_GCM\_SHA256 - TLS\_AES\_256\_GCM\_SHA384 -

TLS\_CHACHA20\_POLY1305\_SHA256 - ECDHE-ECDSA-AES128-GCM-SHA256 -

ECDHE-RSA-AES128-GCM-SHA256 - ECDHE-ECDSA-AES256-GCM-SHA384 -

ECDHE-RSA-AES256-GCM-SHA384 - ECDHE-ECDSA-CHACHA20-POLY1305 -

ECDHE-RSA-CHACHA20-POLY1305 - DHE-RSA-AES128-GCM-SHA256 -

DHE-RSA-AES256-GCM-SHA384 minTLSVersion: TLSv1.2

- View all details for the tlsSecurityProfile field of a component:
  - \$ oc explain <component>.spec.tlsSecurityProfile 1
  - For **<component>**, specify **ingresscontroller** or **apiserver**.

For example, to check all details for the **tlsSecurityProfile** field for the Ingress Controller:

\$ oc explain ingresscontroller.spec.tlsSecurityProfile

#### **Example output**

KIND: IngressController VERSION: operator.openshift.io/v1 RESOURCE: tlsSecurityProfile <Object> **DESCRIPTION:** FIELDS: custom <> custom is a user-defined TLS security profile. Be extremely careful using a custom profile as invalid configurations can be catastrophic. An example custom profile looks like this: ciphers: - ECDHE-ECDSA-CHACHA20-POLY1305 - ECDHE-RSA-CHACHA20-POLY1305 -ECDHE-RSA-AES128-GCM-SHA256 - ECDHE-ECDSA-AES128-GCM-SHA256 minTLSVersion: TLSv1.1 intermediate <> intermediate is a TLS security profile based on: https://wiki.mozilla.org/Security/Server Side TLS#Intermediate compatibility .28recommended .29 and looks like this (yaml): ... 1 modern <> modern is a TLS security profile based on: https://wiki.mozilla.org/Security/Server Side TLS#Modern compatibility and looks like this (yaml): ... 2 NOTE: Currently unsupported. old <> old is a TLS security profile based on: https://wiki.mozilla.org/Security/Server\_Side\_TLS#Old\_backward\_compatibility and looks like this (yaml): ... 3 type <string> ...

- Lists ciphers and minimum version for the **intermediate** profile here.
- Lists ciphers and minimum version for the **modern** profile here.
- Lists ciphers and minimum version for the **old** profile here.

# 9.3. CONFIGURING THE TLS SECURITY PROFILE FOR THE INGRESS CONTROLLER

To configure a TLS security profile for an Ingress Controller, edit the **IngressController** custom resource (CR) to specify a predefined or custom TLS security profile. If a TLS security profile is not configured, the default value is based on the TLS security profile set for the API server.

# Sample IngressController CR that configures the Old TLS security profile

```
apiVersion: operator.openshift.io/v1
kind: IngressController
...
spec:
tlsSecurityProfile:
old: {}
type: Old
...
```

The TLS security profile defines the minimum TLS version and the TLS ciphers for TLS connections for Ingress Controllers.

You can see the ciphers and the minimum TLS version of the configured TLS security profile in the **IngressController** custom resource (CR) under **Status.Tls Profile** and the configured TLS security profile under **Spec.Tls Security Profile**. For the **Custom** TLS security profile, the specific ciphers and minimum TLS version are listed under both parameters.



#### **IMPORTANT**

The HAProxy Ingress Controller image does not support TLS **1.3** and because the **Modern** profile requires TLS **1.3**, it is not supported. The Ingress Operator converts the **Modern** profile to **Intermediate**. The Ingress Operator also converts the TLS **1.0** of an **Old** or **Custom** profile to **1.1**, and TLS **1.3** of a **Custom** profile to **1.2**.

# **Prerequisites**

• You have access to the cluster as a user with the **cluster-admin** role.

### **Procedure**

- 1. Edit the **IngressController** CR in the **openshift-ingress-operator** project to configure the TLS security profile:
  - \$ oc edit IngressController default -n openshift-ingress-operator
- 2. Add the spec.tlsSecurityProfile field:

# Sample IngressController CR for a Custom profile

```
apiVersion: operator.openshift.io/v1
kind: IngressController
...
spec:
tlsSecurityProfile:
type: Custom 1
custom: 2
ciphers: 3
- ECDHE-ECDSA-CHACHA20-POLY1305
```

- ECDHE-RSA-CHACHA20-POLY1305
- ECDHE-RSA-AES128-GCM-SHA256
- ECDHE-ECDSA-AES128-GCM-SHA256

minTLSVersion: VersionTLS11

...

- Specify the TLS security profile type (**Old**, **Intermediate**, or **Custom**). The default is **Intermediate**.
- Specify the appropriate field for the selected type:
  - old: {}
  - intermediate: {}
  - custom:
- For the **custom** type, specify a list of TLS ciphers and minimum accepted TLS version.
- 3. Save the file to apply the changes.

# Verification

- Verify that the profile is set in the **IngressController** CR:
  - \$ oc describe IngressController default -n openshift-ingress-operator

# **Example output**

```
Name:
          default
Namespace: openshift-ingress-operator
Labels:
          <none>
Annotations: <none>
API Version: operator.openshift.io/v1
         IngressController
Kind:
...
Spec:
TIs Security Profile:
  Custom:
   Ciphers:
    ECDHE-ECDSA-CHACHA20-POLY1305
    ECDHE-RSA-CHACHA20-POLY1305
    ECDHE-RSA-AES128-GCM-SHA256
    ECDHE-ECDSA-AES128-GCM-SHA256
   Min TLS Version: VersionTLS11
               Custom
  Type:
```

# 9.4. CONFIGURING THE TLS SECURITY PROFILE FOR THE CONTROL PLANE

To configure a TLS security profile for the control plane, edit the **APIServer** custom resource (CR) to specify a predefined or custom TLS security profile. Setting the TLS security profile in the **APIServer** CR propagates the setting to the following control plane components:

- Kubernetes API server
- OpenShift API server
- OpenShift OAuth API server
- OpenShift OAuth server

If a TLS security profile is not configured, the default TLS security profile is **Intermediate**.



#### NOTE

The default TLS security profile for the Ingress Controller is based on the TLS security profile set for the API server.

# Sample APIServer CR that configures the Old TLS security profile

```
apiVersion: config.openshift.io/v1
kind: APIServer
...
spec:
tlsSecurityProfile:
old: {}
type: Old
...
```

The TLS security profile defines the minimum TLS version and the TLS ciphers required to communicate with the control plane components.

You can see the configured TLS security profile in the **APIServer** custom resource (CR) under **Spec.Tls Security Profile**. For the **Custom** TLS security profile, the specific ciphers and minimum TLS version are listed.



#### **NOTE**

The control plane does not support TLS **1.3** as the minimum TLS version; the **Modern** profile is not supported because it requires TLS **1.3**.

### **Prerequisites**

• You have access to the cluster as a user with the **cluster-admin** role.

#### **Procedure**

1. Edit the default **APIServer** CR to configure the TLS security profile:

\$ oc edit APIServer cluster

2. Add the **spec.tlsSecurityProfile** field:

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#### Sample APIServer CK for a Custom profile

apiVersion: config.openshift.io/v1
kind: APIServer
metadata:
name: cluster
spec:
tlsSecurityProfile:
type: Custom 1
custom: 2
ciphers: 3
- ECDHE-ECDSA-CHACHA20-POLY1305
- ECDHE-RSA-CHACHA20-POLY1305
- ECDHE-RSA-AES128-GCM-SHA256
- ECDHE-ECDSA-AES128-GCM-SHA256

minTLSVersion: VersionTLS11

- Specify the TLS security profile type (**Old**, **Intermediate**, or **Custom**). The default is **Intermediate**.
- Specify the appropriate field for the selected type:
  - old: {}
  - intermediate: {}
  - custom:
- For the **custom** type, specify a list of TLS ciphers and minimum accepted TLS version.
- 3. Save the file to apply the changes.

#### Verification

- Verify that the TLS security profile is set in the **APIServer** CR:
  - \$ oc describe apiserver cluster

# **Example output**

Name: cluster
Namespace:
...
API Version: config.openshift.io/v1
Kind: APIServer
...
Spec:
Audit:
Profile: Default
Tls Security Profile:
Custom:
Ciphers:
ECDHE-ECDSA-CHACHA20-POLY1305
ECDHE-RSA-CHACHA20-POLY1305

ECDHE-RSA-AES128-GCM-SHA256 ECDHE-ECDSA-AES128-GCM-SHA256

Min TLS Version: VersionTLS11

Type: Custom

...

# CHAPTER 10. CONFIGURING SECCOMP PROFILES

An OpenShift Container Platform container or a pod runs a single application that performs one or more well-defined tasks. The application usually requires only a small subset of the underlying operating system kernel APIs. Seccomp, secure computing mode, is a Linux kernel feature that can be used to limit the process running in a container to only call a subset of the available system calls. These system calls can be configured by creating a profile that is applied to a container or pod. Seccomp profiles are stored as JSON files on the disk.



# **IMPORTANT**

OpenShift workloads run unconfined by default, without any seccomp profile applied.



#### **IMPORTANT**

Seccomp profiles cannot be applied to privileged containers.

# 10.1. ENABLING THE DEFAULT SECCOMP PROFILE FOR ALL PODS

OpenShift Container Platform ships with a default seccomp profile that is referenced as runtime/default. You can enable the default seccomp profile for a pod or container workload by creating a custom Security Context Constraint (SCC).



#### NOTE

There is a requirement to create a custom SCC. Do not edit the default SCCs. Editing the default SCCs can lead to issues when some of the platform pods deploy or OpenShift Container Platform is upgraded. For more information, see the section entitled "Default security context constraints".

Follow these steps to enable the default seccomp profile for all pods:

- 1. Export the available **restricted** SCC to a yaml file:
  - \$ oc get scc restricted -o yaml > restricted-seccomp.yaml
- 2. Edit the created **restricted** SCC yaml file:
  - \$ vi restricted-seccomp.yaml
- 3. Update as shown in this example:

kind: SecurityContextConstraints metadata:

name: restricted 1

<...snip...>

seccompProfiles: - runtime/default



- Change to restricted-seccomp
- Add seccompProfiles:

# 3

### Add - runtime/default

- 4. Create the custom SCC:
  - \$ oc create -f restricted-seccomp.yaml

# **Expected output**

- securitycontextconstraints.security.openshift.io/restricted-seccomp created
- 5. Add the custom SCC to the ServiceAccount:
  - \$ oc adm policy add-scc-to-user restricted-seccomp -z default



#### **NOTE**

The default service account is the ServiceAccount that is applied unless the user configures a different one. OpenShift Container Platform configures the seccomp profile of the pod based on the information in the SCC.

# **Expected output**

clusterrole.rbac.authorization.k8s.io/system:openshift:scc:restricted-seccomp added: "default"

In OpenShift Container Platform 4.6 the ability to add the pod annotations seccomp.security.alpha.kubernetes.io/pod: runtime/default and container.seccomp.security.alpha.kubernetes.io/<container name>: runtime/default is deprecated.

# 10.2. CONFIGURING A CUSTOM SECCOMP PROFILE

You can configure a custom seccomp profile, which allows you to update the filters based on the application requirements. This allows cluster administrators to have greater control over the security of workloads running in OpenShift Container Platform.

# 10.2.1. Setting up the custom seccomp profile

# Prerequisite

- You have cluster administrator permissions.
- You have created a custom security context constraints (SCC). For more information, see "Additional resources".
- You have created a custom seccomp profile.

### Procedure

1. Upload your custom seccomp profile to /var/lib/kubelet/seccomp/<custom-name>.json by using the Machine Config. See "Additional resources" for detailed steps.

2. Update the custom SCC by providing reference to the created custom seccomp profile:

seccompProfiles:

- localhost/<custom-name>.json
- Provide the name of your custom seccomp profile.

# 10.2.2. Applying the custom seccomp profile to the workload

#### Prerequisite

• The cluster administrator has set up the custom seccomp profile. For more details, see "Setting up the custom seccomp profile".

#### Procedure

 Apply the seccomp profile to the workload by setting the securityContext.seccompProfile.type field as following:

# Example

spec:

securityContext: seccompProfile: type: Localhost

localhostProfile: <custom-name>.json 1

Provide the name of your custom seccomp profile.

Alternatively, you can use the pod annotations seccomp.security.alpha.kubernetes.io/pod: localhost/<custom-name>.json. However, this method is deprecated in OpenShift Container Platform 4.6.

During deployment, the admission controller validates the following:

- The annotations against the current SCCs allowed by the user role.
- The SCC, which includes the seccomp profile, is allowed for the pod.

If the SCC is allowed for the pod, the kubelet runs the pod with the specified seccomp profile.



#### **IMPORTANT**

Ensure that the seccomp profile is deployed to all worker nodes.



#### NOTE

The custom SCC must have the appropriate priority to be automatically assigned to the pod or meet other conditions required by the pod, such as allowing CAP\_NET\_ADMIN.

# 10.3. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Managing security context constraints
- Post-installation machine configuration tasks

# CHAPTER 11. ALLOWING JAVASCRIPT-BASED ACCESS TO THE API SERVER FROM ADDITIONAL HOSTS

# 11.1. ALLOWING JAVASCRIPT-BASED ACCESS TO THE API SERVER FROM ADDITIONAL HOSTS

The default OpenShift Container Platform configuration only allows the OpenShift web console to send requests to the API server.

If you need to access the API server or OAuth server from a JavaScript application using a different hostname, you can configure additional hostnames to allow.

### **Prerequisites**

• Access to the cluster as a user with the **cluster-admin** role.

#### **Procedure**

1. Edit the **APIServer** resource:

\$ oc edit apiserver.config.openshift.io cluster

2. Add the **additionalCORSAllowedOrigins** field under the **spec** section and specify one or more additional hostnames:

apiVersion: config.openshift.io/v1
kind: APIServer
metadata:
annotations:
release.openshift.io/create-only: "true"
creationTimestamp: "2019-07-11T17:35:37Z"
generation: 1
name: cluster
resourceVersion: "907"
selfLink: /apis/config.openshift.io/v1/apiservers/cluster
uid: 4b45a8dd-a402-11e9-91ec-0219944e0696
spec:

additionalCORSAllowedOrigins:

- (?i)//my\.subdomain\.domain\.com(:|\z)

The hostname is specified as a Golang regular expression that matches against CORS headers from HTTP requests against the API server and OAuth server.



# **NOTE**

This example uses the following syntax:

- The (?i) makes it case-insensitive.
- The // pins to the beginning of the domain and matches the double slash following http: or https:.
- The \. escapes dots in the domain name.
- The (:|\z) matches the end of the domain name (\z) or a port separator (:).
- 3. Save the file to apply the changes.

# **CHAPTER 12. ENCRYPTING ETCD DATA**

# 12.1. ABOUT ETCD ENCRYPTION

By default, etcd data is not encrypted in OpenShift Container Platform. You can enable etcd encryption for your cluster to provide an additional layer of data security. For example, it can help protect the loss of sensitive data if an etcd backup is exposed to the incorrect parties.

When you enable etcd encryption, the following OpenShift API server and Kubernetes API server resources are encrypted:

- Secrets
- Config maps
- Routes
- OAuth access tokens
- OAuth authorize tokens

When you enable etcd encryption, encryption keys are created. These keys are rotated on a weekly basis. You must have these keys in order to restore from an etcd backup.



#### NOTE

Keep in mind that etcd encryption only encrypts values, not keys. This means that resource types, namespaces, and object names are unencrypted.

# 12.2. ENABLING ETCD ENCRYPTION

You can enable etcd encryption to encrypt sensitive resources in your cluster.



### **WARNING**

It is not recommended to take a backup of etcd until the initial encryption process is complete. If the encryption process has not completed, the backup might be only partially encrypted.

#### **Prerequisites**

• Access to the cluster as a user with the **cluster-admin** role.

#### Procedure

1. Modify the **APIServer** object:

\$ oc edit apiserver

2. Set the **encryption** field type to **aescbc**:

spec:

encryption:

type: aescbc 1



The **aescbc** type means that AES-CBC with PKCS#7 padding and a 32 byte key is used to perform the encryption.

3. Save the file to apply the changes.

The encryption process starts. It can take 20 minutes or longer for this process to complete, depending on the size of your cluster.

- 4. Verify that etcd encryption was successful.
  - a. Review the **Encrypted** status condition for the OpenShift API server to verify that its resources were successfully encrypted:

 $oc\ get\ openshiftapiserver\ -o=jsonpath='{range\ .items[0].status.conditions[?(@.type=="Encrypted")]}{.reason}{"\n"}{.message}{"\n"}'$ 

The output shows **EncryptionCompleted** upon successful encryption:

EncryptionCompleted

All resources encrypted: routes.route.openshift.io, oauthaccesstokens.oauth.openshift.io, oauthauthorizetokens.oauth.openshift.io

If the output shows **EncryptionInProgress**, this means that encryption is still in progress. Wait a few minutes and try again.

b. Review the **Encrypted** status condition for the Kubernetes API server to verify that its resources were successfully encrypted:

The output shows **EncryptionCompleted** upon successful encryption:

EncryptionCompleted

All resources encrypted: secrets, configmaps

If the output shows **EncryptionInProgress**, this means that encryption is still in progress. Wait a few minutes and try again.

# 12.3. DISABLING ETCD ENCRYPTION

You can disable encryption of etcd data in your cluster.

# **Prerequisites**

• Access to the cluster as a user with the **cluster-admin** role.

#### **Procedure**

1. Modify the APIServer object:

\$ oc edit apiserver

2. Set the **encryption** field type to **identity**:

spec: encryption: type: identity 1

- The **identity** type is the default value and means that no encryption is performed.
- 3. Save the file to apply the changes.

  The decryption process starts. It can take 20 minutes or longer for this process to complete, depending on the size of your cluster.
- 4. Verify that etcd decryption was successful.
  - a. Review the **Encrypted** status condition for the OpenShift API server to verify that its resources were successfully decrypted:

 $oc\ get\ openshiftapiserver\ -o=jsonpath='{range\ .items[0].status.conditions[?(@.type=="Encrypted")]}{.reason}{"\n"}{.message}{"\n"}'$ 

The output shows **DecryptionCompleted** upon successful decryption:

DecryptionCompleted
Encryption mode set to identity and everything is decrypted

If the output shows **DecryptionInProgress**, this means that decryption is still in progress. Wait a few minutes and try again.

b. Review the **Encrypted** status condition for the Kubernetes API server to verify that its resources were successfully decrypted:

 $oc\ get\ kubeapiserver\ -o=jsonpath='{range\ .items[0].status.conditions[?(@.type=="Encrypted")]}{.reason}{"\n"}{.message}{"\n"}'$ 

The output shows **DecryptionCompleted** upon successful decryption:

DecryptionCompleted
Encryption mode set to identity and everything is decrypted

If the output shows **DecryptionInProgress**, this means that decryption is still in progress. Wait a few minutes and try again.

# **CHAPTER 13. SCANNING PODS FOR VULNERABILITIES**

Using the Red Hat Quay Container Security Operator, you can access vulnerability scan results from the OpenShift Container Platform web console for container images used in active pods on the cluster. The Red Hat Quay Container Security Operator:

- Watches containers associated with pods on all or specified namespaces
- Queries the container registry where the containers came from for vulnerability information, provided an image's registry is running image scanning (such as Quay.io or a Red Hat Quay registry with Clair scanning)
- Exposes vulnerabilities via the ImageManifestVuln object in the Kubernetes API

Using the instructions here, the Red Hat Quay Container Security Operator is installed in the **openshift-operators** namespace, so it is available to all namespaces on your OpenShift cluster.

# 13.1. RUNNING THE RED HAT QUAY CONTAINER SECURITY OPERATOR

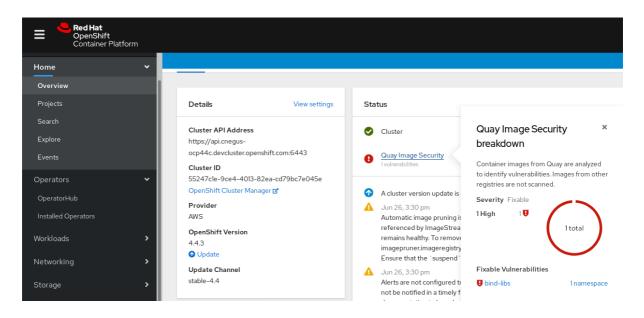
You can start the Red Hat Quay Container Security Operator from the OpenShift Container Platform web console by selecting and installing that Operator from the Operator Hub, as described here.

# **Prerequisites**

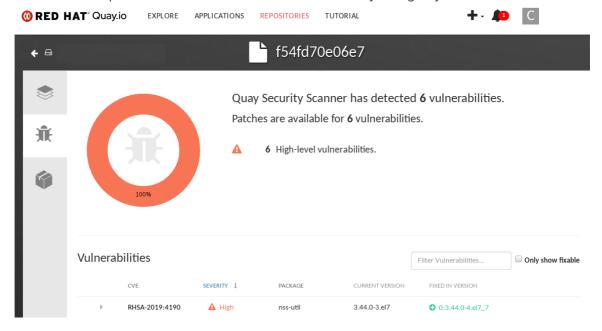
- Have administrator privileges to the OpenShift Container Platform cluster
- Have containers that come from a Red Hat Quay or Quay.io registry running on your cluster

#### **Procedure**

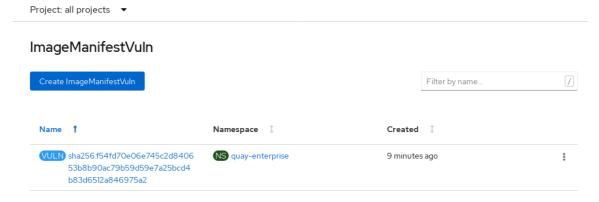
- 1. Navigate to **Operators** → **OperatorHub** and select **Security**.
- 2. Select the **Container Security** Operator, then select **Install** to go to the Create Operator Subscription page.
- 3. Check the settings. All namespaces and automatic approval strategy are selected, by default.
- 4. Select Install. The Container Security Operator appears after a few moments on the Installed Operators screen.
- 5. Optionally, you can add custom certificates to the Red Hat Quay Container Security Operator. In this example, create a certificate named **quay.crt** in the current directory. Then run the following command to add the cert to the Red Hat Quay Container Security Operator:
  - \$ oc create secret generic container-security-operator-extra-certs --from-file=quay.crt -n openshift-operators
- 6. If you added a custom certificate, restart the Operator pod for the new certs to take effect.
- 7. Open the OpenShift Dashboard (**Home** → **Overview**). A link to **Quay Image Security** appears under the status section, with a listing of the number of vulnerabilities found so far. Select the link to see a **Quay Image Security breakdown**, as shown in the following figure:



- 8. You can do one of two things at this point to follow up on any detected vulnerabilities:
  - Select the link to the vulnerability. You are taken to the container registry that the container came from, where you can see information about the vulnerability. The following figure shows an example of detected vulnerabilities from a Quay.io registry:



 Select the namespaces link to go to the ImageManifestVuIn screen, where you can see the name of the selected image and all namespaces where that image is running. The following figure indicates that a particular vulnerable image is running in the quay-enterprise namespace:



At this point, you know what images are vulnerable, what you need to do to fix those vulnerabilities, and every namespace that the image was run in. So you can:

- Alert anyone running the image that they need to correct the vulnerability
- Stop the images from running by deleting the deployment or other object that started the pod that the image is in

Note that if you do delete the pod, it may take several minutes for the vulnerability to reset on the dashboard.

# 13.2. QUERYING IMAGE VULNERABILITIES FROM THE CLI

Using the **oc** command, you can display information about vulnerabilities detected by the Red Hat Quay Container Security Operator.

# **Prerequisites**

 Be running the Red Hat Quay Container Security Operator on your OpenShift Container Platform instance

#### **Procedure**

• To guery for detected container image vulnerabilities, type:

\$ oc get vuln --all-namespaces

#### Example output

```
NAMESPACE NAME AGE default sha256.ca90... 6m56s skynet sha256.ca90... 9m37s
```

To display details for a particular vulnerability, provide the vulnerability name and its namespace
to the oc describe command. This example shows an active container whose image includes an
RPM package with a vulnerability:

\$ oc describe vuln --namespace mynamespace sha256.ac50e3752...

# **Example output**

Name: sha256.ac50e3752... Namespace: quay-enterprise

Spec:

Features:

Name: nss-util

Namespace Name: centos:7 Version: 3.44.0-3.el7 Versionformat: rpm Vulnerabilities:

Description: Network Security Services (NSS) is a set of libraries...