

Zadara Release Notes

Release 18.11

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This document describes the Zadara Storage Cloud release notes. These release notes contain important information available at the time of the release. New features, important bug fixes, known limitations are addressed here.

1.1 Revision History

Date	Revision	Released packages	Description
November 2018	1	VPSA image: 18.11-159	18.11 GA
		SN package: 18.11-159	
December 2018	2	VPSA image: 18.11-172	Maintenance release
		SN package: 18.11-172	
January 2019	3	VPSA image: 18.11-174	Maintenance release
		SN package: 18.11-174	

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NEW FUNCTIONALITY AND CHANGE LIST

Release 18.11 is an enhancement to previous release 18.07 with some scalability, security, and usability improvements, new features and fixes to issues that were found in 18.07.

2.1 What's new in Zadara Cloud

2.1.1 Translations

VPSA GUI and Provisioning Portal are now fully translated to the following languages: English, German, Japanese, Korean and Portuguese.

2.1.2 User Guides

Updated versions of VPSA Storage Array User Guide and VPSA Object Storage User Guide are available *http://guides.zadarastorage.com* in HTML format. Users can also download a PDF file.

2.2 What's new in VPSA Storage Array

2.2.1 All Flash Array

Zadara is the first vendor to offer All-Flash storage with data reduction capabilities in the cloud.

A new offering of VPSA All-Flash, designed for optimal use of SSD drives, and includes data reduction for affordable price of flash storage.

2.2.2 All Flash Array - New Engines

New Engines were introduced for the All-Flash Arrays

IO Engine Type	Maximum # of Drives	Maximum Raw Capacity
F800	2	12 TB
F1200	6	36 TB
F2400	12	72 TB
F3600	24	144 TB
F4800	48	288 TB

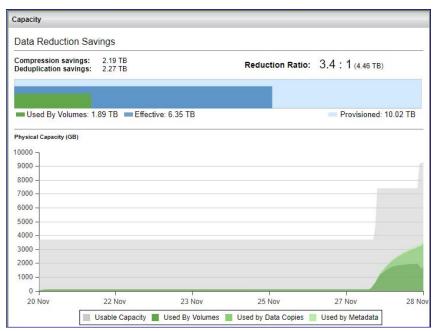
2.2.3 All Flash Array – Storage Pool

All-Flash Array supports the following pool types designed for different workloads:

	Transactional Pool	Repository Pool	Archive Pool
Thin Provision Chunk size	512KB	1MB	2MB
Deduplication Chunk size	8KB	16KB	32KB
Pros	Faster COW operation Space efficiency on Random writes to Snapshots Better Deduplication	Smaller metadata size Sequential workload performance is similar to transactional	Allows large pools Better sequential workload throughput Better Compression ratio
Cons	Increased metadata size Lower throughput	Slower COW operation Less space efficient	Slower with frequent data modifications Limited Snapshots frequncy (1 hour min)
Use Case	Transactional Workload with Snapshots High IOPS Database (OLTP)	Analytics High Troughput General Purpose File System	Relatively static data Archive type workloads Sequntial workloads like Video Streaming Very large pools/volumes (> 200TB)
Limit	Transactional Pools have a maximum size of 100TB	Repository Pools have a maximum size of 200TB	Archive Pools have a maximum size of 400TB

2.2.4 All Flash Array - Data Reduction

All Flash Array supports data reduction techniques to save storage capacity. Both Deduplication and Compression can be activated per volume. Deduplication and Compression are also available for mirrored and cloned Volumes.



2.3 What's new in VPSA Object Storage

2.3.1 Erasure Coding

In addition to the existing data protection methods of 2-way replication (50% utilization) and 3-way replication (33% utilization), Zadara Object Storage now supports Erasure coding that provides better data protection at 66% capacity utilization. 4+2, 6+3, 8+4 configurations are supported.

2.4 Major Changes & bug fixes

2.4.1 18.11 Build 241

VPSA Storage Array

• 15513 - Fixed an issue with the VC rsyslog deamon

2.4.2 18.11 Build 240

VPSA Storage Array

- 14491 Fixed an issue that slowed down the VC reboot process
- 14491 Container Environment variable can now be longer that 2048 bytes
- 15375 Fixed an issue that prevented volume restore from Object Storage if the original volume was create in a transuctional pool

Cloud Controller

• 14550 - Improved performance of the Cloud Controller REST APIs

VPSA Object Storage

• 15164 - Authenticate REST API (/api/users/authenticate) now issues a new token on every call

Command Center

• 15321 - Fixed a 18.11 regression issue that prevented drive FW upgrade

Installer

• 15268 - Fixed an issue that caused drives to be unavaiable after release upgrade

Provisioning Portal

• 14951 - Fixed an issue with the approve REST API

2.4.3 18.11 Build 233

VPSA Storage Array

- 14820 Fix an issue in which VC stats in the Performance section does not load for an FC enabled VPSA
- 14780 Fix an issue in which a VC may failover during volume migration

VPSA Object Storage

- 14398 VPSA Object Storage hibernate/restore process improved
- 13955 Block HTTP listeners, when internal SSL termination is enabled
- 12107 Fix an issue in which wrong storage policy capacity is displayed
- 14583 Fix an issue with listing large amount of objects using awscli tool
- 14655 Improved performance for large objects GET operation
- 14855 Fix an issue in which delete fails for a non-existing object

2.4.4 18.11 Build 222

VPSA Storage Array

- 13737, 14466 Collecting metering information from all VPSAs and SNs into a central metering server
- 13904 Users can now recieve events notifications by severity, and can specify the minimal severity to be sent
- 14421 Default SSE for Backup to Object Storage is set to AES256
- 14504 Fix an issue in which snapshot policy deletes too many snapshots
- 14624 Fixed an issue in which FC host may lose its links to the VPSA after a VC failover

NOTE: After upgrading a cloud with FC, you will get a ticket that SNs reboot is needed. You can ignore this ticket

VPSA All Flash

• 13858 - Fixed an issue in which the standby VC might crash during upgrade or model change

Command Center

• 14309 - Fix an issue in which Command Center log is exhausted with "Command Center failed to sync" errors during Cloud Controller migration procedure

Storage Node

• 14487 - A new firmware version XCV10110 for Intel SSD S4510 is now available

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VPSA Storage Array

- 13884 Fixed an issue where unplanned failover might occur on a very loaded VPSA
- 13894, 13895 The option to set the same Anti Virus action as Primary and Secondary was blocked
- 13976 Expedite VPSA failvoer time following an unclean shutdown
- 14240 Fixed an issue where B2OS, that was created on 16.05 using V2 signature, got broken after upgrading to version 18.11-172 (or newer).
- 14263 Fixed an issue where editing Remote Object Storage did not pass the Region value. With this fix it is now possible to move from V2 to V4 signature for AWS S3 Object Storage

VPSA All Flash

• 14258 - Fixed an issue in which VPSA All Flash might crashes when it is restored from a power failure and the encryption password is enetered manually.

VPSA Object Storage

- 13992 Capacity protection mechanism was enhanced to better protecty Data/Metadata policies against out of capacity situations, as well out of drives capacities.
- 13654 Support for s3api for x-amz-server-side-encryption (AES256) was added
- 13844 Fixed an issue where data drive replacement failed when there were 12 drives per VC
- 14002 Policy health status presentation was improved

• 14305 - zadarazios.com certificate was renewed

Provisioning Portal

- 13887 Fixed an issue where metered billing report to Provisioning Portal fail due to incorrect URL. Now in Provisioning Portal there are two separated values: "Domain Name" and "Provisioning Portal Metering URL"
- 14182 Fixed an issue where admin could not change other users email address
- 13593 Fixed wrong user in the email sent in case of VPSA deletion

Command Center

• 14086 - A new zadarastorage.com wildcard certificate was introduced (Valid until 1/31/2021)

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VPSA Storage Array

- 13170 Fixed an issue with Clones, where various NFS clients switch between the clone and the original volume as a result of FSID disorder (This issue might happen only when VPSA upgraded from older versions to 18.11-159 or 18.11-172).
- 14034 Fixed possible crash that might happen during volume creation or deletion

2.4.7 18.11 Build 172

VPSA Storage Array

- 13242 Added support for B2OS/S3 KMS encryption
- 13781 B2OS always uses V4 authentication scheme for backup to AWS
- 13829 Restore from Object Storage improvement disable discards on Restore from OS in the Clone mode
- 13880 Improved VPSA dashboard performance especially in case of many snapshots
- 13963 Fixed a regression issue that was introduced in release 18.07-116 and 17.11-260 where if there is a network glitch or Mirror is paused and then resumed, the sync starts from the beginning instead from a checkpoint.

Provisioning Portal

- 13899 Fixed an issue where Add Storage to All-Flash Array may fail
- 13941 VPSA hibernate/restore APIs are now open
- 13593 Fixed wrong user in the email sent in case of VPSA deletion

Command Center

• 13897 - Fix an issue in which Object Storage dashboard was broken when an Object Storage reports a negative capacity value

Storage Node

• 13902 - A new F800 Entry level of All-Flash Engine was added. See table above

• 12426 - All Flash Array now supports MultiZone configurations

2.4.8 18.11 Build 159

VPSA All Flash

- 11020 "Emergency" Volume free capacity alert was added
- 12780 Added periodically check of connectivity with AD controllers
- 13341, 12927 Default capacity thresholds were modified:
 - Alert Threshold: 600 minutes (10 hours) OR free capacity <= 10% of pool physical capacity
 - Protection Threshold: 180 minutes (3 hours) OR free capacity <= 5% of pool physical capacity
 - Emergency Threshold: 50GB OR free capacity <= 1% of pool physical capacity
- 13429 Support for multiple UNC share points to the same volume was added

VPSA Storage Array

- 11020 "Emergency" Volume free capacity alert was added
- 12780 Added periodically check of connectivity with AD controllers
- 13341, 12927 Default capacity thresholds were modified:
 - Alert Threshold: 360 minutes(6 hours)
 - Protection Threshold: 60 minutes (1 hour)
 - Emergency Threshold: 50 GB
- 13429 Support for multiple UNC share points to the same volume was added
- 13792 Windows quick format performance
- 13827 Added available capacity to Get Volumes REST API

VPSA Object Storage

- 12793 Upgrade from 17.11 to 18.11 is now supported
- 13661 Erasure Coding Policy of 6+3 and 8+4 are now supported for better data protection

Provisioning Portal

• 13636 - Revert billing CSV file format and align it with 17.11

Command Center

• 12998 - For VPSA All-Flash both physical and virtual capacity trends are available

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KNOWN ISSUES AND LIMITATIONS INTRODUCED IN 18.11

VPSA All Flash

- 12388 Capacity saving by zero pattern matching is not counted in the savings calculation
- 13509 Removing of Master Encryption Password is possible only after deleting the pools