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Product release level

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- Operating system
- Version and patch level
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About Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions 6.0

This chapter includes the following topics:

- About Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions products
- Related products

About Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions products

The following topics describe the products and component software available in this Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions release.

- About Veritas Storage Foundation
- About Veritas Storage Foundation High Availability
- About Veritas Storage Foundation Basic
- About Veritas Storage Foundation Cluster File System High Availability
- About Veritas Storage Foundation for Oracle® RAC
- About Veritas Replicator Option
- About Veritas Cluster Server
- About Veritas Cluster Server agents
- About Veritas Dynamic Multi-Pathing

- About Veritas Operations Manager
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About Veritas Storage Foundation

Veritas Storage Foundation by Symantec includes Veritas File System (VxFS) and Veritas Volume Manager (VxVM).

Veritas File System is a high performance journaling file system that provides easy management and quick-recovery for applications. Veritas File System delivers scalable performance, continuous availability, increased I/O throughput, and structural integrity.

Veritas Volume Manager removes the physical limitations of disk storage. You can configure, share, manage, and optimize storage I/O performance online without interrupting data availability. Veritas Volume Manager also provides easy-to-use, online storage management tools to reduce downtime.

VxFS and VxVM are included in all Veritas Storage Foundation products. If you have purchased a Veritas Storage Foundation product, VxFS and VxVM are installed and updated as part of that product. Do not install or update them as individual components.

Veritas Storage Foundation includes the dynamic multi-pathing functionality.

The Veritas Replicator option, which replicates data to remote locations over an IP network, can also be licensed with this product.

Before you install the product, read the Veritas Storage Foundation Release Notes.

To install the product, follow the instructions in the *Veritas Storage Foundation Installation Guide*.

See "Product documentation" on page 21.

About Veritas Cluster Server

Veritas Cluster Server (VCS) by Symantec is a clustering solution that provides the following benefits:

- Minimizes downtime.
- Facilitates the consolidation and the failover of servers.
- Effectively manages a wide range of applications in heterogeneous environments.

Before you install the product, read the Veritas Cluster Server Release Notes.

To install the product, follow the instructions in the *Veritas Cluster Server Installation Guide*.

See "Product documentation" on page 21.

Installation overview

Veritas Cluster Server is available as a standalone product. It is also included in all Veritas Storage Foundation product suites that include high availability functionality. If you have purchased a product suite that includes high availability functionality, VCS is installed and updated as part of that product suite; do not install or update VCS as an individual component.

About Veritas Cluster Server agents

Veritas agents provide high availability for specific resources and applications. Each agent manages resources of a particular type. For example, the Oracle agent manages Oracle databases. Typically, agents start, stop, and monitor resources and report state changes.

Before you install VCS agents, review the configuration guide for the agent.

See "Product documentation" on page 21.

In addition to the agents that are provided in this release, other agents are available through an independent Symantec offering called the Veritas Cluster Server Agent Pack. The agent pack includes the currently shipping agents and is re-released quarterly to add the new agents that are now under development.

Contact your Symantec sales representative for the following details:

- Agents that are included in the agent pack
- Agents under development
- Agents available through Symantec Consulting Services

You can download the latest agents from the Symantec Operations Readiness Tools website:

sort.symantec.com/agents

Installation overview

Agents are typically installed as part of Storage Foundation products that include high availability.

For example, the high availability agent for Oracle is installed with the Storage Foundation for Oracle RAC product.

About Veritas Storage Foundation High Availability

Storage Foundation High Availability includes Veritas Storage Foundation and Veritas Cluster Server. Veritas Cluster Server adds high availability functionality to Storage Foundation products.

Before you install the product, read the *Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Release Notes*.

To install the product, follow the instructions in the *Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Installation Guide*.

For HA installations, also read the Veritas Cluster Server Release Notes.

See "Product documentation" on page 21.

About Veritas Storage Foundation Cluster File System High Availability

Veritas Storage Foundation Cluster File System High Availability by Symantec extends Veritas Storage Foundation to support shared data in a storage area network (SAN) environment. Using Storage Foundation Cluster File System High Availability, multiple servers can concurrently access shared storage and files transparently to applications.

Veritas Storage Foundation Cluster File System High Availability also provides increased automation and intelligent management of availability and performance.

Storage Foundation Cluster File System High Availability includes Veritas Cluster Server, which adds high availability functionality to the product.

Veritas Replicator Option can also be licensed with this product.

Before you install the product, read the *Veritas Storage Foundation Cluster File System High Availability Release Notes*.

To install the product, follow the instructions in the *Veritas Storage Foundation Cluster File System High Availability Installation Guide*.

For information on high availability environments, read the Veritas Cluster Server documentation.

See "Product documentation" on page 21.

About Veritas Storage Foundation for Oracle® RAC

Veritas Storage Foundation for Oracle® RAC by Symantec is an integrated suite of Veritas storage management and high-availability software. The software is engineered to improve performance, availability, and manageability of Real Application Cluster (RAC) environments. Certified by Oracle Corporation, Veritas Storage Foundation for Oracle RAC delivers a flexible solution that makes it easy to deploy and manage RAC.

The Veritas Replicator feature, which replicates data, can also be licensed with this product.

Before you start the installation, read the *Veritas Storage Foundation for Oracle RAC Release Notes*.

To install the product, follow the instructions in the *Veritas Storage Foundation* for Oracle RAC Installation Guide.

See "Product documentation" on page 21.

About Veritas Replicator Option

Veritas Replicator Option is an optional, separately-licensable feature.

Veritas Volume Replicator replicates data to remote locations over any standard IP network to provide continuous data availability.

This option is available with Storage Foundation for Oracle RAC, Storage Foundation Cluster File System, and Storage Foundation Standard and Enterprise products.

Before installing this option, read the Release Notes for the product.

To install the option, follow the instructions in the Installation Guide for the product.

See "Product documentation" on page 21.

About Veritas Dynamic Multi-Pathing

Veritas Dynamic Multi-Pathing (DMP) provides multi-pathing functionality for the operating system native devices configured on the system. The product creates DMP metadevices (also known as DMP nodes) to represent all the device paths to the same physical LUN.

In earlier releases, DMP was only available as a feature of Veritas Volume Manager (VxVM). DMP supported VxVM volumes on DMP metadevices, and Veritas File System (VxFS) file systems on those volumes.

Symantec now extends DMP metadevices to support OS native logical volume managers (LVM). You can create LVM volumes and volume groups on DMP metadevices.

Note: Veritas Dynamic Multi-Pathing is a standalone product. Support for dynamic multi-pathing is also included in Veritas Storage Foundation products.

Before you install this product, review the *Veritas Dynamic Multi-Pathing Release Notes*.

To install the product, follow the instructions in the *Veritas Dynamic Multi-Pathing Installation Guide*.

See "Product documentation" on page 21.

Related products

This section describes related products for Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions.

About Veritas Storage Foundation Basic

Veritas Storage Foundation Basic by Symantec (SF Basic) is a special product that is available for download from the Symantec Web site. SF Basic is not part of the Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions product suite. For complete information on ordering this product, licensing, and technical support, visit the following URL:

http://www.symantec.com/business/storage-foundation-basic

Storage Foundation Basic supports all Storage Foundation Standard features, however, there are deployment and technical support limitations.

See "Product documentation" on page 21.

About Veritas Operations Manager

Symantec recommends use of Veritas Operations Manager to manage Storage Foundation and Cluster Server environments.

Veritas Operations Manager provides a centralized management console for Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability products. You can use Veritas Operations Manager to monitor, visualize, and manage storage resources and generate reports.

You can download Veritas Operations Manager at no charge at http://go.symantec.com/vom.

Refer to the Veritas Operations Manager documentation for installation, upgrade, and configuration instructions.

The Veritas Enterprise Administrator (VEA) console is no longer packaged with Storage Foundation products. If you want to continue using VEA, a software version is available for download from http://go.symantec.com/vcsm_download. Veritas Storage Foundation Management Server is deprecated. If you want to manage a single cluster using Cluster Manager (Java Console), a version is available for download from http://go.symantec.com/vcsm_download. You cannot manage the new features of this release using the Java Console. Veritas Cluster Server Management Console is deprecated.

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Chapter

How the discs are organized

This chapter includes the following topics:

- Contents of the media kit
- Directory structure

Contents of the media kit

Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions includes several products.

The physical media kit includes multiple software discs. The contents of each disc are shown on the disc label.

Read the Getting Started Guide and Release Notes for your product before you begin an installation procedure.

Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability is a licensed product. Refer to the End User License Agreement (EULA) in the product directories for terms and conditions that govern the use of the product.

Directory structure

Table 2-1 lists the directory and contents of the Veritas Storage Foundation andHigh Availability Solutions product suite.

 Table 2-1
 Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions directories

Directory name or file name	Contents
3rdpartyattributions.pdf	The third-party legal notices documentation
copyright	The Copyright (©) file

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Directory name or file name	Contents
getting_started.pdf	Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions Getting Started Guide
installer	Product installation script
perl	Perl language binaries and library functions
pkgs	Veritas product packages
readme_first.txt	The Veritas Storage Foundation read me first file
scripts	Veritas scripts
webinstaller	GUI Web-based installer
windows	Volume Replicator advisor Windows client
xprtl	xprtld binaries used by the Web-based installer
<product></product>	Packages, scripts, and documentation related to each product.

 Table 2-1
 Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions directories (continued)

Chapter

Installation overview

This chapter includes the following topics:

- Performing preinstallation checks and configuration
- About the Veritas installer
- About the Web-based installer

Performing preinstallation checks and configuration

Only users with superuser privileges can install and initialize Storage Foundation and High Availability products.

Review the preinstallation requirements and system requirements. Install the operating system before installing the Veritas software.

Mount the Veritas software disc, or download and uncompress the Storage Foundation software.

To produce a report of the preinstallation requirements, run the installer with the precheck option.

./installer -precheck

If patches to the operating system are required, the patches should be applied prior to installing the Veritas products. Patches may be required to resolve kernel, product performance, or other issues.

See the product *Release Notes* for last minute information on recommended patches.

You must obtain new licenses to use all of the features in the Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions 6.0 software. Licenses for previous releases may allow you to use only a limited subset of these features.

About the Veritas installer

The installer enables you to install and configure the product, verify preinstallation requirements, and view the product's description.

If you obtained a standalone Veritas product from an electronic download site, the single product download files do not contain the general product installer. Use the product installation script to install the product.

At most points during the installation you can type the following characters for different actions:

- Use b (back) to return to a previous section of the installation procedure. The back feature of the installation scripts is context-sensitive, so it returns to the beginning of a grouped section of questions.
- Use Control+c to stop and exit the program if an installation procedure hangs. After a short delay, the script exits.
- Use q to quit the installer.
- Use ? to display help information.
- Use the Enter button to accept a default response.

About the Web-based installer

The Web-based installer is a convenient GUI method to install the Veritas products and to verify preinstallation requirements.

The Web-based installer can perform most of the tasks that the script-based installer performs.

Use the webinstaller script to start and stop the Veritas XPortal Server xprtlwid process. The webinstaller script can also be used to check the status of the XPortal Server.

When the webinstaller script starts the xprtlwid process, the script displays a URL. Use this URL to access the Web-based installer from a Web browser such as Internet Explorer or FireFox.

The Web installer creates log files whenever the Web installer is operating. While the installation processes are operating, the log files are located in a session-based directory under the /var/tmp directory. After the install process completes, the log files are located in the /opt/VRTS/install/logs directory. It is recommended that you keep the files for auditing, debugging, and future use.

The location of the Veritas XPortal Server configuration file is /var/opt/webinstaller/xprtlwid.conf.

Chapter

Where to find more information

This chapter includes the following topics:

- Product documentation
- Changes related to product documentation
- Documentation set
- Service and support
- About Symantec Operations Readiness Tools

Product documentation

Product documentation is available in the Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF) on the product discs or with the downloaded software.

See the Release Notes for information on documentation changes in this release.

The documentation is available in the *product_name/docs* directory.

Make sure that you are using the current version of documentation. The document version appears on page 2 of each guide. The publication date appears on the title page of each document. The latest product documentation is available on the Symantec website.

https://sort.symantec.com/documents

Changes related to product documentation

The Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions 6.0 release includes the following changes to the product documentation.

Table 4-1 lists the documents introduced in this release.

New documents	Notes
Veritas Storage Foundation Installation	Installation and upgrade information for
Guide	Storage Veritas Foundation.
Veritas Storage Foundation Administrator's	Administration information for Veritas
Guide	Storage Foundation.
Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Release Notes	Release-specific information for Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability users.
Veritas Storage Foundation and High	Solutions and use cases for Veritas Storage
Availability Solutions Solutions Guide	Foundation and High Availability Solutions.
Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions Troubleshooting Guide	Troubleshooting information for Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions.

Table 4-1New documents

Table 4-2 lists the documents that are deprecated in this release.

Table 4-2Deprecated documents

Deprecated documents	Notes
Veritas File System Administrator's Guide	Content now appears in the Veritas Storage Foundation Administrator's Guide and in the Veritas Storage Foundation Cluster File System High Availability Administrator's Guide.
Veritas Volume Manager Administrator's Guide	Content now appears in the Veritas Storage Foundation Administrator's Guide and in the Veritas Storage Foundation Cluster File System High Availability Administrator's Guide.
Veritas Storage Foundation Advanced Features Administrator's Guide	Content now appears in the Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions Solutions Guide.

Deprecated documents	Notes
Veritas Volume Manager Troubleshooting Guide	Content now appears in the Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions Troubleshooting Guide.
Veritas Cluster Server Agents for Veritas Volume Replicator Configuration Guide	Content now appears in the Veritas Cluster Server Bundled Agents Reference Guide.
Veritas Volume Replicator Planning and Tuning Guide	Content now appears in the Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions Replication Administrator's Guide.
Veritas Volume Replicator Advisor User's Guide	Content now appears in the Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions Replication Administrator's Guide.

Table 4-2Deprecated documents (continued)

Table 4-3 lists documents that are no longer bundled with the binaries. Thesedocuments are now available online.

Table 4-3	Online documents

Document

Veritas Cluster Server Agent Developer's Guide

Veritas File System Programmer's Reference Guide

Documentation set

Table 4-4 lists the documentation for Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions products. Note that all documents are not bundled with the meda. You can find all documentation online.

https://sort.symantec.com/documents

If you use Veritas Operations Manager (VOM) to manage Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions products, refer to the VOM product documentation.

Table 4-4Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions products
documentation

Document title	File name
Veritas Storage Foundation documentation	

Table 4-4Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions products
documentation (continued)

Document title	File name
Veritas Storage Foundation Release Notes	sf_notes_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Storage Foundation Installation Guide	sf_install_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Storage Foundation Administrator's Guide	sf_admin_60_aix
Veritas Storage Foundation: Storage and Availability Management for Oracle Databases	sf_adv_ora_60_aix.pdf
<i>Veritas File System Programmer's Reference Guide</i> (This document is available online.)	vxfs_ref_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Cluster Server documentation	
Veritas Cluster Server Release Notes	vcs_notes_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Cluster Server Installation Guide	vcs_install_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Cluster Server Administrator's Guide	vcs_admin_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Cluster Server Bundled Agents Reference Guide	vcs_bundled_agents_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Cluster Server Agent Developer's Guide	vcs_agent_dev_60_unix.pdf
Veritas Cluster Server Agent for DB2 Installation and Configuration Guide	vcs_db2_agent_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Cluster Server Agent for Oracle Installation and Configuration Guide	vcs_oracle_agent_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Cluster Server Agent for Sybase Installation and Configuration Guide	vcs_sybase_agent_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability documentation	
Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Release Notes	sfha_notes_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Installation and Configuration Guide	sfha_install_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Storage Foundation Cluster File System High Availability documentation	
Veritas Storage Foundation Cluster File System High Availability Release Notes	sfcfs_notes_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Storage Foundation Cluster File System High Availability Installation Guide	sfcfs_install_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Storage Foundation Cluster File System High Availability Administrator's Guide	sfcfs_admin_60_aix.pdf

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Document title	File name
Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions documentation	
Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions Solutions Guide	sfha_solutions_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions Virtualization Guide	sfha_virtualization_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions Replication Administrator's Guide	sf_replication_admin_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions Troubleshooting Guide	sfha_tshoot60_aix.pdf
Veritas Storage Foundation for Oracle RAC documentation	
Veritas Storage Foundation for Oracle RAC Release Notes	sfrac_notes_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Storage Foundation for Oracle RAC Installation and Configuration Guide	sfrac_install_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Storage Foundation for Oracle RAC Administrator's Guide	sfrac_admin_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Dynamic Multi-Pathing documentation	
Veritas Dynamic Multi-Pathing Release Notes	dmp_notes_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Dynamic Multi-Pathing Installation Guide	dmp_install_60_aix.pdf
Veritas Dynamic Multi-Pathing Administrator's Guide	dmp_admin_60_aix.pdf

Table 4-4Veritas Storage Foundation and High Availability Solutions products
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Service and support

To access the self-service knowledge base, go to the following URL:

http://entsupport.symantec.com

About Symantec Operations Readiness Tools

Symantec Operations Readiness Tools (SORT) is a Web site that automates and simplifies some of the most time-consuming administrative tasks. SORT helps you manage your datacenter more efficiently and get the most out of your Symantec products.

SORT can help you do the following:

Prepare for your next installation or upgrade	 List product installation and upgrade requirements, including operating system versions, memory, disk space, and architecture. Analyze systems to determine if they are ready to install or upgrade Symantec products. Download the latest patches, documentation, and high availability agents from a central repository.
	 Access up-to-date compatibility lists for hardware, software, databases, and operating systems.
Manage risks	 Get automatic email notifications about changes to patches, array-specific modules (ASLs/APMs/DDIs/DDLs), and high availability agents from a central repository. Identify and mitigate system and environmental risks. Display descriptions and solutions for hundreds of Symantec error codes.
Improve efficiency	 Find and download patches based on product version and platform. List installed Symantec products and license keys. Tune and optimize your environment.

Note: Certain features of SORT are not available for all products. Access to SORT is available at no extra cost.

To access SORT, go to:

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