

Dell PowerFlex Appliance and PowerFlex Rack

PowerFlex Manager 3.x Compatibility Matrix

Notes, cautions, and warnings

 **NOTE:** A NOTE indicates important information that helps you make better use of your product.

 **CAUTION:** A CAUTION indicates either potential damage to hardware or loss of data and tells you how to avoid the problem.

 **WARNING:** A WARNING indicates a potential for property damage, personal injury, or death.

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Introduction

The compatibility matrix provides PowerFlex Manager compatibility information for PowerFlex appliance and PowerFlex rack. The target audience for this document includes system administrators responsible for managing PowerFlex appliance and PowerFlex rack, sales engineers, and advanced service specialists.

Revision history

Date	Document revision	Description of changes
March 2023	1.1	Added support for PowerFlex Manager 3.8.3 Updated the compatible networking switches for PowerFlex appliance and PowerFlex rack
November 2021	1.0	Initial release

Compatibility matrix for PowerFlex appliance

PowerFlex Manager 3.8.3

This section provides the PowerFlex Manager 3.8.3 compatibility details for PowerFlex appliance components.

Component	Compatibility
Nodes	PowerFlex R650/R750 (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only) PowerFlex R6525 (compute-only) PowerFlex R7525 (compute-only) PowerFlex R640/R740xd (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only) PowerFlex R840 (hyperconverged and compute-only)
Operating system/hypervisor	VMware ESXi 6.7P08/7.0U3g (management and compute-only) Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.6/7.7/7.9 (compute-only)** Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.5/7.6/7.7/7.9 (storage-only)** CentOS 7.6/7.7/7.9 (compute-only)** Embedded operating system (storage-only) **PowerFlex Manager support for PowerFlex appliance with these operating systems is limited to installation only and no update.
Adapters	Mellanox ConnectX-5 OCP/PCIe Mellanox ConnectX-6 Dx Intel X710/I350 rNDC Mellanox ConnectX-4 rNDC Mellanox ConnectX-4/ConnectX-5 Broadcom 57414 V1 2x25 OCP Broadcom 57414 V2 2x25 Broadcom 57414 V1 2x25
Networking	Deployment requires a pair of the following switches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cisco Nexus 93180YC-FX (access or management-aggregation) • Cisco Nexus 93240YC-FX2 (access or leaf) • Dell PowerSwitch S4148F-ON (access) • Dell PowerSwitch S5224F-ON (access) • Dell PowerSwitch S5248F-ON (access) • Dell PowerSwitch S5048F-ON (access) • Dell PowerSwitch S5296F-ON (access) After deploying, PowerFlex Manager can monitor and update the following access Dell switches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dell PowerSwitch S4148F-ON** • Dell PowerSwitch S5224F-ON • Dell PowerSwitch S5248F-ON

Component	Compatibility
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dell PowerSwitch S5048F-ON • Dell PowerSwitch S5296F-ON **Clusters of 10 or fewer nodes.
Storage	PowerFlex 3.6.0.7 (storage-only)
Security	CloudLink 7.1.5
Compliance	Intelligent Catalog 38.357.01 / 38.363.01

PowerFlex Manager 3.8

This section provides the PowerFlex Manager 3.8 compatibility details for PowerFlex appliance components.

Component	Compatibility
Nodes	PowerFlex R650/R750 (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only) PowerFlex R6525 (compute-only) PowerFlex R640/R740xd (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only) PowerFlex R840 (hyperconverged and compute-only)
Operating system/hypervisor	VMware ESXi 6.7U3n/7.0U2d (hyperconverged and compute-only) Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.6/7.7/7.9 (compute-only)** Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.5/7.6/7.7/7.9 (storage-only)** CentOS 7.6/7.7/7.9 (compute-only)** Embedded operating system (storage-only) **PowerFlex Manager support for PowerFlex appliance with these operating systems is limited to installation only and no update.
Adapters	Mellanox ConnectX-5 OCP/PCIe Mellanox ConnectX-6 Dx Intel X710/I350 rNDC Mellanox ConnectX-4 rNDC Mellanox ConnectX-4/ConnectX-5
Networking	Deployment requires a pair of the following switches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cisco Nexus 93180YC-FX (access or management-aggregation) • Cisco Nexus 93240YC-FX2 (access or leaf) • Dell PowerSwitch S4148F-ON (access) • Dell PowerSwitch S5224F-ON (access) • Dell PowerSwitch S5248F-ON (access) • Dell PowerSwitch S5048F-ON (access) • Dell PowerSwitch S5296F-ON (access) After deploying, PowerFlex Manager can monitor and update the following access Dell switches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dell PowerSwitch S4148F-ON** • Dell PowerSwitch S5224F-ON • Dell PowerSwitch S5248F-ON • Dell PowerSwitch S5048F-ON

Component	Compatibility
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dell PowerSwitch S5296F-ON **Clusters of 10 or fewer nodes.
Storage	PowerFlex 3.6.0.1+ (hyperconverged, storage-only and compute-only)
Security	CloudLink 7.1 CloudLink 7.0.2
Compliance	Intelligent Catalog 38.362.00+ / 37.361.00+ Intelligent Catalog 38.356.00+ / 37.355.00+

Compatibility matrix for PowerFlex rack

PowerFlex Manager 3.8.3

This section provides the PowerFlex Manager 3.8.3 compatibility details for PowerFlex rack components.

Component	Managed mode	Lifecycle mode	Alerting mode
Nodes	PowerFlex R650/R750 (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only) PowerFlex R6525 (compute-only) PowerFlex R7525 (compute-only) PowerFlex R640/R740xd (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only) PowerFlex R840 (hyperconverged and compute-only)	PowerFlex R650/R750 (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only) PowerFlex R6525 (compute-only) PowerFlex R7525 (compute-only) PowerFlex R640/R740xd (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only) PowerFlex R840 (hyperconverged and compute-only)	PowerFlex R650/R750 (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only) PowerFlex R6525 (compute-only) PowerFlex R7525 (compute-only) PowerFlex R640/R740xd (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only) PowerFlex R840 (hyperconverged and compute-only)
Operating system/ hypervisor	VMware ESXi 6.7P08/7.0U3g (management and compute-only) Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.6/7.7/7.9 (compute-only)* Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.5/7.6/7.7/7.9 (storage-only)* CentOS 7.6/7.7/7.9 (compute-only)** Embedded operating system (storage-only) **PowerFlex Manager support for PowerFlex rack with these operating systems is limited to installation only and no update.	VMware ESXi 6.7P08/7.0U3g (management and compute-only) Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.5/7.6/7.7/7.9 (storage-only)** Embedded operating system (storage-only) PowerFlex rack only supports these operating systems. An update to these operating systems is not supported.	Not applicable
Adapters	Mellanox ConnectX-5 OCP/PCIe Mellanox ConnectX-6 Dx Intel X710/I350 rNDC Mellanox ConnectX-4 rNDC Mellanox ConnectX-4/ConnectX-5 Broadcom 57414 V1 2x25 OCP Broadcom 57414 V2 2x25 Broadcom 57414 V1 2x25	Lifecycle mode when a supported adapter cannot be identified.	Not applicable
Networking	Managed mode requires a pair of the following server facing Dell and Cisco switches:	Lifecycle mode when a supported switch cannot be identified or cannot be granted with write access, provided the network	Not applicable

Component	Managed mode	Lifecycle mode	Alerting mode
	<p>The following switches are shipped and supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cisco Nexus 92348GC-X • Cisco Nexus 93180YC-FX • Cisco Nexus 9336C-FX2 • Cisco Nexus 93240YC-FX2 • Cisco Nexus 9364C-GX • Dell S5232F-ON • Dell S4148F-ON • Dell S5248F-ON <p>The following switches are supported but no longer shipped:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cisco Nexus 31108TC-V • Cisco Nexus 3172TQ • Cisco Nexus 93180YC-EX • Cisco Nexus 9236C • Cisco Nexus 3132 • Cisco Nexus 3164 • Cisco Nexus 9364C <p>PowerFlex Manager can monitor and update the accessible switches in managed mode.</p>	<p>configuration does not modify the node configuration.</p> <p>PowerFlex Manager can only update components with write access.</p>	
Storage	PowerFlex 3.6.0.7 (storage-only)	PowerFlex 3.6.0.7 (storage-only)	Not applicable
Security	CloudLink 7.1.5	CloudLink 7.1.5	Not applicable
Compliance	RCM 3.5.7.1 / 3.6.3.1	RCM 3.5.7.1 / 3.6.3.1	Not applicable

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PowerFlex Manager 3.8

This section provides the PowerFlex Manager 3.8 compatibility details for PowerFlex rack components.

Component	Managed mode	Lifecycle mode	Alerting mode
Nodes	<p>PowerFlex R650/R750 (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only)</p> <p>PowerFlex R6525 (compute-only)</p> <p>PowerFlex R640/R740xd (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only)</p> <p>PowerFlex R840 (hyperconverged and compute-only)</p>	<p>PowerFlex R650/R750 (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only)</p> <p>PowerFlex R6525 (compute-only)</p> <p>PowerFlex R640/R740xd (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only)</p> <p>PowerFlex R840 (hyperconverged and compute-only)</p>	<p>PowerFlex R650/R750 (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only)</p> <p>PowerFlex R6525 (compute-only)</p> <p>PowerFlex R640/R740xd (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only)</p> <p>PowerFlex R840 (hyperconverged and compute-only)</p>
Operating system/ hypervisor	<p>VMware ESXi 6.5U3n/6.7U3n/7.0U2d (hyperconverged and compute-only)</p> <p>Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.6/7.7/7.9 (compute-only)*</p> <p>Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.5/7.6/7.7/7.9 (storage-only)*</p>	<p>VMware ESXi 6.5U3n/6.7U3n/7.0U2d (hyperconverged and compute-only)</p> <p>Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.5/7.6/7.7/7.9 (storage-only)**</p> <p>Embedded operating system (storage-only)</p>	Not applicable

Component	Managed mode	Lifecycle mode	Alerting mode
	<p>CentOS 7.6/7.7/7.9 (compute-only)**</p> <p>Embedded operating system (storage-only)</p> <p>**PowerFlex Manager support for PowerFlex rack with these operating systems is limited to installation only and no update.</p>	PowerFlex rack only supports these operating systems. An update to these operating systems is not supported.	
Adapters	<p>Mellanox ConnectX-5 OCP/PCle</p> <p>Mellanox ConnectX-6 Dx</p> <p>Intel X710/I350 rNDC</p> <p>Mellanox ConnectX-4 rNDC</p> <p>Mellanox ConnectX-4/ConnectX-5</p>	Lifecycle mode when a supported adapter cannot be identified.	Not applicable
Networking	<p>Managed mode requires a pair of the following server facing Dell and Cisco switches:</p> <p>The following switches are shipped and supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cisco Nexus 92348GC-X • Cisco Nexus 93180YC-FX • Cisco Nexus 9336C-FX2 • Cisco Nexus 93240YC-FX2 • Cisco Nexus 9364C-GX • Dell S5232F-ON • Dell S4148F-ON • Dell S5248F-ON <p>The following switches are supported but no longer shipped:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cisco Nexus 31108TC-V • Cisco Nexus 3172TQ • Cisco Nexus 93180YC-EX • Cisco Nexus 9236C • Cisco Nexus 3132 • Cisco Nexus 3164 • Cisco Nexus 9364C <p>PowerFlex Manager can monitor and update the accessible switches in managed mode.</p>	<p>Lifecycle mode when a supported switch cannot be identified or cannot be granted with write access, provided the network configuration does not modify the node configuration.</p> <p>PowerFlex Manager can only update components with write access.</p>	Not applicable
Storage	<p>PowerFlex 3.6.0.1+ (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only)</p> <p>PowerFlex 3.0.1.6+ (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only)</p> <p>PowerFlex 2.6.1.1 HF2+ (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only)</p>	<p>PowerFlex 3.6.0.1+ (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only)</p> <p>PowerFlex 3.0.1.6+ (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only)</p> <p>PowerFlex 2.6.1.1 HF2+ (hyperconverged, storage-only, and compute-only)</p>	Not applicable
Security	<p>CloudLink 7.1</p> <p>CloudLink 7.0.2</p>	<p>CloudLink 7.1</p> <p>CloudLink 7.0.2</p>	Not applicable

Component	Managed mode	Lifecycle mode	Alerting mode
Compliance	RCM 3.6.2.0+ / 3.6.1.0+ RCM 3.5.6.0+ / 3.5.5.0+ RCM 3.4.6.0+ / 3.4.5.0+ RCM 3.3.11.0+ / 3.3.10.0+	RCM 3.6.2.0+ / 3.6.1.0+ RCM 3.5.6.0+ / 3.5.5.0+ RCM 3.4.6.0+ / 3.4.5.0+ RCM 3.3.11.0+ / 3.3.10.0+	Not applicable

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