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Release Notes



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Chapter 1. New Features and Improvements in ClevOS 3.16.4

Trusted Software Installer (785)

The Trusted Software Installer (Software Signature Verification) feature was first introduced in ClevOS™ 3.15.3.38 and enforces that only IBM signed upgrade files can be used as part of the upgrade procedure. The enforcement of this feature is disabled by default, but can be enabled in the IBM Cloud Object Storage Manager™ UI.

Beginning with ClevOS 3.16.4.30 or LTSR ClevOS 3.16.0.82, the root CA used for verifying the upgrade files is rotated. Prior ClevOS releases do not include the trust anchors associated with the newly rotated root CA or its corresponding CRL. This means that all software packages signed with the previous signing certificate are unable to be verified after March 23, 2022 12:00:00 2022 GMT. As a result, anyone upgrading to ClevOS 3.16.4.30 (or newer) or LTSR ClevOS 3.16.0.82 (or newer), and anyone who is upgrading to any release after March 23, 2022 12:00:00 GMT, sees the **Signature Verification Status: Failed** warning in the IBM Cloud Object Storage Manager™ UI upgrade page.

On most systems, the message **Signature Verification Status: Failed** displays during the next ClevOS upgrade. In this case, the warning does not indicate that the upgrade file is compromised. It is simply the result of the previous ClevOS signing certificate expiring. If the Software Signature Verification feature was never enabled on the system, operators can ignore the warning and proceed as usual with the upgrade.

However, if the IBM Cloud Object Storage System™ has the Software Signature Verification feature enabled, a workaround is required before upgrading to ClevOS 3.16.4.30 (or newer) or LTSR ClevOS 3.16.0.82 (or newer). Also, after March 23, 2022 12:00:00 GMT, when the previous signing certificate expires, systems with the Software Signature Verification feature enabled can only upgrade to ClevOS 3.16.4.30 (and newer) or LTSR ClevOS 3.16.0.82 (or newer).

Basic Authentication for Device API (1796)

Basic Authentication is now supported in the Device Level API.

Chapter 2. New Features and Improvements in ClevOS 3.16.3

There are no new features in this release.

Chapter 3. New Features and Improvements in ClevOS 3.16.2

There are no new features in this release.

Chapter 4. New Features and Improvements in ClevOS 3.16.1

There are no new features in the October Maintenance release.

Chapter 5. New Features and Improvements in ClevOS 3.16.0

Expiration Lifecycles for Versioned Objects and Incomplete Multipart Uploads in Container Mode (1697)

The ClevOS system currently allows users to easily manage stale data by configuring expiration lifecycle on a bucket. This system only supported regular (non-versioned) objects in the past, disallowing users from enabling expiration on versioning-enabled container vaults (and vice versa). This feature extends object expiration to include versioned objects and incomplete multipart uploads. Users with versioned buckets and work flows that create incomplete MPUs can now take advantage of expiration lifecycle to manage their usage.

Add new channel for external management services (1786)

A new channel was created to support a new subnet/VLAN configuration to access external services.

Chapter 6. Interface Modifications

API updates for ClevOS 3.16.4 have been referenced in the following documentation:

- REST API Developer Guide

COS-86003, Basic Authentication is now supported in the Device Level API as part of F1796 (update to Edit System Device Level API Configuration). Added new parameter **authenticated**.

API updates for ClevOS 3.16.3 have been referenced in the following documentation:

- REST API Developer Guide

You can enable or disable IP addresses and network types independent of each other using the resource configuration API (**configureExtendedCOSAPISettings.adm**). The existing property firewall rules are split in two separate properties - firewall rules for IP addresses and firewall rules for network types.

Chapter 7. Resolved Issues

Resolved issues in 3.16.4

<i>Table 1. Resolved issues</i>	
Issue	Description
COS-55305	Resolved an issue to reduce impact of reconciling logical usage after an unclean shutdown.
COS-82035	Resolved an issue to reduce impact of infrequently removing old references to bin files.
COS-82036	An advanced config parameter is added to allow an administrator to change the threshold for when old references to bin files are infrequently removed.
COS-85688	Resolved an issue where object write times could increase through the duration of an upgrade when upgrading from a release prior to 3.15.0 to a release 3.15.0 or newer. This problem was more likely to manifest on systems running higher workloads that were closer to maximum system throughput.
COS-86006	Fixed an issue that could cause the name index entries for a versioned object to become inconsistent after a crash or a failed write if the current version of that object is a delete marker.

Resolved issues in 3.16.3 February Maintenance

<i>Table 2. Resolved issues</i>	
Issue	Description
COS-85492	Resolved an issue on Slicestor [®] Devices where upgrades were taking longer than expected due to slow shutdown times. The shutdown time would increase with the number of Accesser [®] Appliances, the number of vaults, and the amount of time the Slicestor device had been running.
COS-85688	Resolved an issue where object write times could increase through the duration of an upgrade when upgrading from a ClevOS release prior to 3.15.0 to a ClevOS release 3.15.0 or newer. This problem was more likely to manifest on systems running higher workloads that were closer to the maximum system throughput.

Resolved issues in 3.16.3

<i>Table 3. Resolved issues</i>	
Issue	Description
COS-81272	Resolved an issue to fix unexpected 503 errors due to memory pressure on accesser devices.
COS-82035	Resolved an issue to reduce impact of infrequently removing old references to bin files.

Resolved issues in 3.16.2

<i>Table 4. Resolved issues</i>	
Issue	Description
COS-82454	Resolved an issue with creation of overlapping entries between the S3 Virtual Host Suffix and the Static Website Virtual Host Suffix.
COS-84458	Resolved an issue with ZSS Write Pointer Recovery.
COS-85388	Resolved an issue in which a Docker Accesser did not bring up dsnet-core.
COS-85468	Resolved an issue in which upgrading IBM Slicestor devices with a large number of disks may encounter an Out-of-Memory exception.
COS-85520	Resolved an issue in which device certificates with wildcard DNS SAN entries were causing an unexpected exception.

Resolved issues in 3.16.1 November Maintenance

<i>Table 5. Resolved issues</i>	
Issue	Description
COS-17176	An Advanced Configuration parameter is added to allow an administrator to set an alert threshold for network interface speeds. This is useful for preventing erroneous alerts for degraded network interface speeds when intentionally running at a rate less than the network interface's maximum speed. For more information on how to utilize this configuration parameter, contact IBM Support.
COS-85038	Resolved an issue where intent (storage type 4) slices were not cleaned up when one or more stores in a stripe were down, potentially leading to intent storage limit errors
COS-84483	Resolved an issue with SNMP Alert Forwarding which leads to permit exhaustion and prevents the device from reporting status to the IBM Cloud Object Storage Manager™.
COS-84521	An issue was resolved in which some Manager to device communication was prevented when external device certificates were used.

Resolved issues in 3.16.1

<i>Table 6. Resolved issues</i>	
Issue	Description
COS-84521	An issue was resolved in which some Manager to device communication was prevented when external device certificates were used.

Resolved issues in 3.16.0 January Maintenance

<i>Table 7. Resolved issues</i>	
Issue	Description
	Nothing to report.

Resolved issues in 3.16.0 December Maintenance

Table 8. Resolved issues

Issue	Description
	Nothing to report.

Resolved issues in 3.16.0 November Maintenance

Table 9. Resolved issues

Issue	Description
COS-84483	Resolved an issue with SNMP Alert Forwarding which leads to permit exhaustion and prevents the device from reporting status to the IBM Cloud Object Storage Manager™.
COS-84521	An issue was resolved in which some Manager to device communication was prevented when external device certificates were used.
COS-85038	Resolved an issue where intent (storage type 4) slices were not cleaned up when one or more stores in a stripe were down, potentially leading to intent storage limit errors

Resolved issues in 3.16.0

Table 10. Resolved issues

Issue	Description
	Nothing to report.

Chapter 8. Product Alert Notifications

IBM® clients with an IBM ID may sign up to receive product alert notifications that contain important information that may impact the use of the IBM Cloud Object Storage System™. In order to receive these notifications, clients need to subscribe to the "IBM Cloud Object Storage System™" product in [MyNotifications](#). The table below represents the alert notifications that are applicable while running this latest version of ClevOS™ at the time of this release note publication. For any questions regarding the content of these product notifications, contact IBM Support.

Table 11. Product Alert Notifications for the IBM Cloud® Object Storage System

Alert Notification Title	Impacted ClevOS™ Releases	Alert Notification Published Date
Software Signature Verification issue impacting ClevOS™ upgrades	3.15 and 3.16	Feb 18, 2022
Format updated in API response for multipart copy.	3.15.8.97 and future releases	Dec 2, 2021
IBM Cloud Object Storage On-Premise Adopts Continuous Delivery Software Support Lifecycle.	3.16.0	Oct 29, 2021
Performance implications of non-homogenous COS storage pool expansions	All ClevOS releases	Jun 30, 2021
API changes related to S3 Object Versioning	3.15.7 and future releases	Apr 19, 2021
Issue with adding multiple drives in a IBM COS Slicestor® appliance	All ClevOS releases	Jul 20, 2020
A firmware issue can cause IBM COS Gen2 HW nodes to fail to boot up	ClevOS independent	Jun 18, 2020
Java™ version incompatibility preventing IPMI access	ClevOS independent	Mar 12, 2018
IPMI Configured via nut Command Does Not Persist on Device Restart	ClevOS independent	Jun 27, 2017
Drive-managed Shingled Magnetic Recording (SMR) drives are not approved and should not be used with named-object protocol workloads	ClevOS independent	Mar 16, 2017
IBM COS Slicestor® 2584 Fails to Attach Drives	ClevOS independent	Feb 2, 2017

Chapter 9. Known issues

Table 12. Known issues

Issue	Failing Condition	Disposition
COS-58128	DLM cannot process more than 16 hot-swap events at once.	This issue will be fixed in a future release.
COS-50579	There is a known issue where slice data being reallocated from one Slicestor device to another would not be appropriately removed from the source Slicestor device if the reallocation process was erroneously marked as complete."	This issue still exists in 3.14.3 because the change was reverted in the latest fix.
COS-11201	In the Event Console of the Manager User Interface, the event details section for failing disk migration events contains a parameter that is called Migration Progress. However, it is not clear what this value represents.	This value corresponds to the percentage of failing disk migration that is complete.
COS-11355	Replacing a failed drive with another failed drive results in an inconsistent view on the Manager User Interface. On the Monitor Device page, in the "Summary of device health" section, both the replaced failed drive and the new failed drive are shown. The "Drive Information and Actions" view of the drive layout shows the replaced failed drive. On the Maintenance page, the FRU report contains the replaced failed drive.	Perform another replacement of the failed drive with a good drive.
COS-13575	The "stop migration" operation for failing disk migration on the Manager User Interface (UI) can take ~20 seconds to complete after being initiated by the user. The button continues to be enabled during this time. This issue exists for dispose and reset disk operations as well.	Do not hit the button again until the operation completes. If the drive stays in the same state for more than 20 seconds, perform a refresh of the page. If the drive continues to stay in this state, follow the recommended action that is provided in the Manager Administration Guide under disk lifecycle management.
COS-10031	When resuming a drive in the DIAGNOSTIC state from the Manager User Interface, it can take ~20 seconds to complete. The resume button is not disabled during this time.	Do not hit the resume button until the operation completes. If the drive stays in the DIAGNOSTIC state for more than 20 seconds, perform a refresh of the page. If the drive continues to stay in this state, follow the recommended action that is provided in the Manager Administration Guide under disk lifecycle management.

Table 12. Known issues (continued)

Issue	Failing Condition	Disposition
COS-10445	When using the storage command from the localadmin shell on a Slicestor® device, it is possible to resume all drives that are currently in the DIAGNOSTIC state. However, in some cases , this process can take too long, which will cause the command to return an error code -15 due to a timeout.	Despite the error, the resume process is continuing in the background. The storage list command can be used to monitor the progress of resume process.
COS-7488	When performing a storage pool set removal, it is possible that once the reallocation has finished for a source Slicestor device, it can show some small amount of data still present.	No action is required. Once the set removal has completed, all slices have been reallocated to the new storage pool. Any discrepancy in a Slicestor device's used space is generally a result of small inaccuracies that can occur during normal usage of the system.
COS-13504	When failing a quarantined drive, it is possible that after data has been migrated off the failing drive, the Manager event console will report that no data migration was attempted.	No action is required. Despite the event description, data migration will always be attempted unless the user specifically chooses to skip migration via the localadmin shell storage command.
COS-22990	The S3 remote proxy implementation of vault proxy has a few limitations that are related to communicating with an Amazon S3 endpoint. The version of the AWS SDK used to communicate to Amazon defaults to using V2 instead of V4 authentication, causing authentication issues when communicating with certain AWS endpoints.	For further assistance in configuring a remote proxy for use with Amazon S3, contact IBM customer support.
COS-23962	Vault quotas are static and do not update when storage pool capacities change. If a system expansion, set replacement, or set removal is performed on the storage pool, vault quotas for any vaults on that pool will not update to consider the new capacity.	The user-defined vault quotas work as expected. However, they cannot be consistent with the current storage pool capacity. For example, a vault quota can be higher than total storage pool capacity after a set removal.
COS-29681	When using the Microsoft IE9 web browser, certain Manager user interface elements like the left navigation panel and the vault capacity bar charts on the Monitor Vault page cannot appear.	Microsoft has ended support of IE9 and IE10. Users should upgrade to Microsoft IE11 or higher, or use an alternative browser, such as Firefox, Safari, or Chrome.
COS-64358	If an Accesser device restarts during a cycle , a small number of object deletions may be delayed up to 72 hours.	This issue will be fixed in a future release.

Upgrading and Installation

Table 13. Upgrading and Installation

Issue	Failing Condition	Disposition
	Nothing to report	

Container

Table 14. Container

Issue	Failing Condition	Disposition
COS-1852	When attempting to write an object to a container that does not exist, the Accesser® appliance returns an HTTP 404 response with an error message of NoSuchKey instead of the appropriate NoSuchBucket. This includes cases where the container name includes a "/".	Ensure that your vault or container is successfully created before attempting to write objects to it. If you receive an error message of NoSuchKey for an upload request, verify that the container you are addressing does exist.
COS-15401	If a user attempts to create a management vault by using "manual configuration" (accessed through the Configure Management Vault page) based on an existing vault template, management vault creation fails with the following message: "Cannot create a management vault from this template. It is deployed to access pools with standard vaults"	Use the "automatic configuration" available on the Configure Management Vault page.

Alerting and Reporting

Table 15. Alerting and reporting

Issue	Failing Condition	Disposition
	Nothing to report.	

System Behavior

Table 16. System behavior

Issue	Failing Condition	Disposition
COS-2498	The usage of a disk is counted while the disk is offline. However, its capacity is not counted.	No action. Awareness of limitation. If necessary, a restart of core would fix the usage values. Limit DLM events.

Storage Pools

Table 17. Storage pools

Issue	Failing Condition	Disposition
COS-2642	On the *Monitor Storage Pool Page, the Reallocation Progress graph, which displays historical data, is inaccurate when a device is down or statistics are not collected for a window of time.	The Data Reallocation progress bar, available at the top of the *Monitor Storage Pool Page, is always accurate. This view reflects the status and should be used to monitor progress of the data reallocation activity.

Data Evacuation

Table 18. Data evacuation

Issue	Failing Condition	Disposition
	Nothing to report.	

System Configuration

Table 19. System configuration

Issue	Failing Condition	Disposition
	Nothing to report.	

Deleting objects

Table 20. Deleting objects

Issue	Failing Condition	Disposition
	Nothing to report.	

Manager Web Interface

Table 21. Manager Web Interface

Issue	Failing Condition	Disposition
COS-10031	When resuming a drive in the DIAGNOSTIC state from the Manager User Interface, it may take ~20 seconds to complete. The resume button is not disabled during this time.	Do not hit the resume button until the operation completes. If the drive stays in the DIAGNOSTIC state for more than 20 seconds, perform a refresh of the page. If the drive continues to stay in this state, follow the recommended action that is provided in the Manager Administration Guide under disk lifecycle management.

Table 21. Manager Web Interface (continued)

Issue	Failing Condition	Disposition
COS-23764	Upon network failure while going through the one time setup process in the manager, a network error page appears. When the network comes back, reload the page, at which point an internal server error page appears in some scenarios.	Log out of the internal server error page and log back into the manager, which will take you through one time setup again.

Vaults

Table 22. Vaults

Issue	Failing Condition	Disposition
	Nothing to report	

Vault Mirrors

Table 23. Vault mirrors

Issue	Failing Condition	Disposition
COS-7019	When performing IO against a vault mirror with synchronous writes disable, HEAD requests performed against a successfully written object may return an HTTP 404 response.	If an HTTP 404 is returned for a HEAD request for a recently written object, please retry your request.

Vault migration

Table 24. Vault migration

Issue	Failing Condition	Disposition
COS-12442	When a vault migration finishes the work that is contained in its TODO queue, it kicks off a process to calculate the exact count of the number of objects that are migrated as part of the migration. This process of calculating the exact size is performed by each device in the target pool, and can take a long time to complete for large migrations.	

Chapter 10. Supported Hardware Platforms

IBM Cloud Object Storage Appliances

Table 25. Minimum Version of ClevOS Compatible with IBM Hardware Platforms

Product Name	Machine Type (1Yr/3Yr Warranty)	Model	Minimum ClevOS
IBM COS Accesser® 3105	3401/3403	A00	3.8.1
IBM COS Accesser® 4105	3401/3403	A01	3.8.1
IBM COS Accesser® 3110	4958/4957	A10	3.14.4
IBM COS Manager™ 3105	3401/3403	M01	3.8.1
IBM COS Manager™ 3110	4958/4957	M10	3.14.4
IBM COS Slicestor® 2212	3401/3403	S00	3.8.1
IBM COS Slicestor® 2448	3401/3403	S01	3.8.1
IBM COS Slicestor®3448	3401/3403	S02	3.8.3
IBM COS Slicestor®2584 (AP-TL-1)	3401/3403	S03	3.8.1
IBM COS Slicestor®2584 (AP-LS-1)	3401/3403	S03	3.13.1
IBM COS Slicestor®2212A	3401/3403	S10	3.10.0
IBM COS Slicestor®12	4958/4957	C10/J10	3.14.4
IBM COS Slicestor®53	4958/4957	C10/J11	3.14.4
IBM COS Slicestor®106	4958/4957	C10/J12	3.14.4
IBM COS Slicestor®92IBM Cloud Object Storage System™	4958/4957	C10/J15	3.15.5

Note: □ Requires RPQ

Hewlett Packard Enterprise

Table 26. Minimum Version of ClevOS Compatible with Hewlett Packard Enterprise Hardware

Appliance	Model	Minimum ClevOS
Manager Appliance	DL360P Gen8	3.2.1
Manager Appliance	DL360 Gen9	3.5.0
Manager Appliance	DL380 Gen9	3.5.0
Accesser® Device	DL360P Gen8	3.2.1
Accesser® Device	DL360 Gen9	3.5.0
Accesser® Device	DL380 Gen9	3.5.0
Slicestor® Device	SL4540 Gen8	2.9.0
Slicestor® Device	DL380 Gen9	3.5.0

Table 26. Minimum Version of ClevOS Compatible with Hewlett Packard Enterprise Hardware (continued)

Appliance	Model	Minimum ClevOS
Slicestor® Device	Apollo 4200 Gen9	3.6.0
Slicestor® Device	Apollo 4510 Gen9	3.6.0
Slicestor® Device	Apollo 4510 Gen10	3.14.0
Slicestor® Device	Apollo 4530 Gen9	3.6.0

Seagate

Table 27. Minimum Version of ClevOS Compatible with Seagate Hardware

Appliance	Model	Minimum ClevOS
Seagate OneStor®	AP-2584 1 AP-TL-1	3.4.2
Seagate Exos®	AP 5U84-Laguna Seca	3.15.0

Cisco

Table 28. Minimum Version of ClevOS Compatible with Cisco Hardware

Appliance	Model	Minimum ClevOS
Cisco Slicestor® Device	UCS C3260	3.7.4
Cisco Slicestor® Device	UCS S3260 (Single Node)	3.12.0
Cisco Slicestor® Device	UCS S3260 (Dual Node)	3.12.0
Cisco Slicestor® Device	UCS S3260 M5 (56 drive configuration)	3.13.1
Cisco Slicestor® Device	UCS S3260 M5 (60 drive configuration)	3.14.3
Cisco Manager Appliance	UCS C220 M4	3.12.0
Cisco Accesser® Device	UCS C220 M4	3.12.0
Cisco Manager Appliance	UCS C220 M5	3.13.6
Cisco Accesser® Device	UCS C220 M5	3.13.6
Cisco Slicestor® Device	UCS C240	3.13.6

Dell

Table 29. Minimum Version of ClevOS Compatible with Dell Hardware

Appliance	Model	Minimum ClevOS
Dell Slicestor® Device	DSS 7000	3.10.1
Dell Slicestor® Device	R740xd w/ HDD Support	3.14.1
Dell Slicestor® Device	R740xd w/ NVMe Support	3.14.2

Lenovo

Table 30. Minimum Version of ClevOS Compatible with Lenovo Hardware

Appliance	Model	Minimum ClevOS
Lenovo Manager Appliance	X3550 M5	3.10.1
Lenovo Accesser® Device	X3550 M5	3.10.1
Lenovo Manager Appliance	X3650 M5	3.10.1
Lenovo Manager Appliance	SR630	3.13.6
Lenovo Accesser® Device	SR630	3.13.6
Lenovo Slicestor® Device	SR650	3.13.6

Quanta Cloud Technology (QCT)

Table 31. Minimum Version of ClevOS Compatible with QCT Hardware

Appliance	Model	Minimum ClevOS
QCT Manager Appliance	QuantaGrid D51PH-1ULH	3.13.4
QCT Accesser® Device	QuantaGrid D51PH-1ULH	3.13.4
QCT Slicestor® Device	QuantaGrid D51PH-1ULH	3.13.4

Chapter 11. Incompatible Hardware and Firmware with ClevOS

The hardware components running firmware revisions listed below are incompatible with ClevOS due to the possibility of unexpected behavior.

Note: If you have any hardware on this list running the firmware revisions listed, please contact L3 support immediately to create an upgrade plan. You can determine your firmware revisions using the Firmware Report that is found under the Maintenance menu.

Broadcom

Table 32. Broadcom Hardware and Firmware Incompatibility with ClevOS

Type	Model	Firmware affected
RAID Controller	Broadcom MegaRAID 9361-8i	4.650.00-6121

Hewlett Packard

Table 33. HP Hardware and Firmware Incompatibility with ClevOS

Type	Model	Firmware affected
RAID Controller	HP-SL4540 Smart Array	6.64
iLO	HPE SL4540 Gen 8	2.30

IBM Cloud Object Storage Appliances

Table 34. IBM COS Hardware and Firmware Incompatibility with ClevOS

Type	Model	Firmware affected
USM	IBM COS Slicestor®2584 (AP-TL-1) 3401/3403 S03	4.1.7
BMC	A3105, A4105, M3105, S2212A, S2448	1.0.125362, 1.0.135362
BMC	A10,C10,M10	< .97
CPLD	A10,C10,M10	< 1818

Seagate

Table 35. Seagate Hardware and Firmware Incompatibility with ClevOS

Type	Model	Firmware affected
HDD	Seagate ST1000NM0033-9ZM173	SN04

Supermicro

Table 36. Supermicro Hardware and Firmware Incompatibility with ClevOS

Type	Model	Firmware affected
BMC	Supermicro SSG-6048R-E1CR60N	3.60

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