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Abstract

This document provides instructions for installing OpenShift Container Platform clusters on IBM Power.

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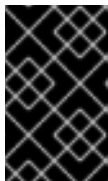
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CHAPTER 1. INSTALLING ON IBM POWER

1.1. INSTALLING A CLUSTER ON IBM POWER SYSTEMS

In OpenShift Container Platform version 4.6, you can install a cluster on IBM Power Systems infrastructure that you provision.



IMPORTANT

Additional considerations exist for non-bare metal platforms. Review the information in the [guidelines for deploying OpenShift Container Platform on non-tested platforms](#) before you install an OpenShift Container Platform cluster.

Prerequisites

- Before you begin the installation process, you must clean the installation directory. This ensures that the required installation files are created and updated during the installation process.
- Provision [persistent storage using NFS](#) for your cluster. To deploy a private image registry, your storage must provide **ReadWriteMany** access modes.
- Review details about the [OpenShift Container Platform installation and update](#) processes.
- If you use a firewall, you must [configure it to allow the sites](#) that your cluster requires access to.



NOTE

Be sure to also review this site list if you are configuring a proxy.

1.1.1. Internet access for OpenShift Container Platform

In OpenShift Container Platform 4.6, you require access to the Internet to install your cluster.

You must have Internet access to:

- Access [OpenShift Cluster Manager](#) to download the installation program and perform subscription management. If the cluster has internet access and you do not disable Telemetry, that service automatically entitles your cluster.
- Access [Quay.io](#) to obtain the packages that are required to install your cluster.
- Obtain the packages that are required to perform cluster updates.



IMPORTANT

If your cluster cannot have direct Internet access, you can perform a restricted network installation on some types of infrastructure that you provision. During that process, you download the content that is required and use it to populate a mirror registry with the packages that you need to install a cluster and generate the installation program. With some installation types, the environment that you install your cluster in will not require Internet access. Before you update the cluster, you update the content of the mirror registry.

1.1.2. Machine requirements for a cluster with user-provisioned infrastructure

For a cluster that contains user-provisioned infrastructure, you must deploy all of the required machines.

1.1.2.1. Required machines

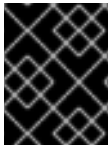
The smallest OpenShift Container Platform clusters require the following hosts:

- One temporary bootstrap machine
- Three control plane, or master, machines
- At least two compute machines, which are also known as worker machines.



NOTE

The cluster requires the bootstrap machine to deploy the OpenShift Container Platform cluster on the three control plane machines. You can remove the bootstrap machine after you install the cluster.



IMPORTANT

To maintain high availability of your cluster, use separate physical hosts for these cluster machines.

The bootstrap and control plane machines must use Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) as the operating system. However, the compute machines can choose between Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) or Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 7.9.

Note that RHCOS is based on Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 8 and inherits all of its hardware certifications and requirements. See [Red Hat Enterprise Linux technology capabilities and limits](#) .

1.1.2.2. Network connectivity requirements

All the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines require network in **initramfs** during boot to fetch Ignition config files from the Machine Config Server. During the initial boot, the machines require either a DHCP server or that static IP addresses be set in order to establish a network connection to download their Ignition config files. Additionally, each OpenShift Container Platform node in the cluster must have access to a Network Time Protocol (NTP) server. If a DHCP server provides NTP servers information, the chrony time service on the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines read the information and can sync the clock with the NTP servers.

1.1.2.3. Minimum resource requirements

Each cluster machine must meet the following minimum requirements:

Machine	Operating System	vCPU [1]	Virtual RAM	Storage	IOPS [2]
Bootstrap	RHCOS	2	16 GB	100 GB	300
Control plane	RHCOS	2	16 GB	100 GB	300

Machine	Operating System	vCPU [1]	Virtual RAM	Storage	IOPS [2]
Compute	RHCOS	2	8 GB	100 GB	300

1. One vCPU is equivalent to one physical core when simultaneous multithreading (SMT), or hyperthreading, is not enabled. When enabled, use the following formula to calculate the corresponding ratio: (threads per core × cores) × sockets = vCPUs.
2. OpenShift Container Platform and Kubernetes are sensitive to disk performance, and faster storage is recommended, particularly for etcd on the control plane nodes which require a 10 ms p99 fsync duration. Note that on many cloud platforms, storage size and IOPS scale together, so you might need to over-allocate storage volume to obtain sufficient performance.

1.1.2.4. Certificate signing requests management

Because your cluster has limited access to automatic machine management when you use infrastructure that you provision, you must provide a mechanism for approving cluster certificate signing requests (CSRs) after installation. The **kube-controller-manager** only approves the kubelet client CSRs. The **machine-approver** cannot guarantee the validity of a serving certificate that is requested by using kubelet credentials because it cannot confirm that the correct machine issued the request. You must determine and implement a method of verifying the validity of the kubelet serving certificate requests and approving them.

1.1.3. Creating the user-provisioned infrastructure

Before you deploy an OpenShift Container Platform cluster that uses user-provisioned infrastructure, you must create the underlying infrastructure.

Prerequisites

- Review the [OpenShift Container Platform 4.x Tested Integrations](#) page before you create the supporting infrastructure for your cluster.

Procedure

1. Configure DHCP or set static IP addresses on each node.
2. Provision the required load balancers.
3. Configure the ports for your machines.
4. Configure DNS.
5. Ensure network connectivity.

1.1.3.1. Networking requirements for user-provisioned infrastructure

All the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines require network in **initramfs** during boot to fetch Ignition config from the machine config server.

During the initial boot, the machines require either a DHCP server or that static IP addresses be set on each host in the cluster in order to establish a network connection, which allows them to download their Ignition config files.

It is recommended to use the DHCP server to manage the machines for the cluster long-term. Ensure that the DHCP server is configured to provide persistent IP addresses and host names to the cluster machines.

The Kubernetes API server must be able to resolve the node names of the cluster machines. If the API servers and worker nodes are in different zones, you can configure a default DNS search zone to allow the API server to resolve the node names. Another supported approach is to always refer to hosts by their fully-qualified domain names in both the node objects and all DNS requests.

You must configure the network connectivity between machines to allow cluster components to communicate. Each machine must be able to resolve the host names of all other machines in the cluster.

Table 1.1. All machines to all machines

Protocol	Port	Description
ICMP	N/A	Network reachability tests
TCP	1936	Metrics
	9000-9999	Host level services, including the node exporter on ports 9100-9101 and the Cluster Version Operator on port 9099 .
	10250-10259	The default ports that Kubernetes reserves
	10256	openshift-sdn
UDP	4789	VXLAN and Geneve
	6081	VXLAN and Geneve
	9000-9999	Host level services, including the node exporter on ports 9100-9101 .
TCP/UDP	30000-32767	Kubernetes node port

Table 1.2. All machines to control plane

Protocol	Port	Description
TCP	6443	Kubernetes API

Table 1.3. Control plane machines to control plane machines

Protocol	Port	Description
TCP	2379-2380	etcd server and peer ports

Network topology requirements

The infrastructure that you provision for your cluster must meet the following network topology requirements.



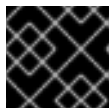
IMPORTANT

OpenShift Container Platform requires all nodes to have internet access to pull images for platform containers and provide telemetry data to Red Hat.

Load balancers

Before you install OpenShift Container Platform, you must provision two load balancers that meet the following requirements:

1. **API load balancer.** Provides a common endpoint for users, both human and machine, to interact with and configure the platform. Configure the following conditions:
 - Layer 4 load balancing only. This can be referred to as Raw TCP, SSL Passthrough, or SSL Bridge mode. If you use SSL Bridge mode, you must enable Server Name Indication (SNI) for the API routes.
 - A stateless load balancing algorithm. The options vary based on the load balancer implementation.



IMPORTANT

Do not configure session persistence for an API load balancer.

Configure the following ports on both the front and back of the load balancers:

Table 1.4. API load balancer

Port	Back-end machines (pool members)	Internal	External	Description
6443	Bootstrap and control plane. You remove the bootstrap machine from the load balancer after the bootstrap machine initializes the cluster control plane. You must configure the /readyz endpoint for the API server health check probe.	X	X	Kubernetes API server
22623	Bootstrap and control plane. You remove the bootstrap machine from the load balancer after the bootstrap machine initializes the cluster control plane.	X		Machine config server

**NOTE**

The load balancer must be configured to take a maximum of 30 seconds from the time the API server turns off the **/readyz** endpoint to the removal of the API server instance from the pool. Within the time frame after **/readyz** returns an error or becomes healthy, the endpoint must have been removed or added. Probing every 5 or 10 seconds, with two successful requests to become healthy and three to become unhealthy, are well-tested values.

2. **Application Ingress load balancer.** Provides an Ingress point for application traffic flowing in from outside the cluster. Configure the following conditions:
 - Layer 4 load balancing only. This can be referred to as Raw TCP, SSL Passthrough, or SSL Bridge mode. If you use SSL Bridge mode, you must enable Server Name Indication (SNI) for the Ingress routes.
 - A connection-based or session-based persistence is recommended, based on the options available and types of applications that will be hosted on the platform.

Configure the following ports on both the front and back of the load balancers:

Table 1.5. Application Ingress load balancer

Port	Back-end machines (pool members)	Internal	External	Description
443	The machines that run the Ingress router pods, compute, or worker, by default.	X	X	HTTPS traffic
80	The machines that run the Ingress router pods, compute, or worker, by default.	X	X	HTTP traffic

TIP

If the true IP address of the client can be seen by the load balancer, enabling source IP-based session persistence can improve performance for applications that use end-to-end TLS encryption.

**NOTE**

A working configuration for the Ingress router is required for an OpenShift Container Platform cluster. You must configure the Ingress router after the control plane initializes.

NTP configuration

OpenShift Container Platform clusters are configured to use a public Network Time Protocol (NTP) server by default. If you want to use a local enterprise NTP server, or if your cluster is being deployed in a disconnected network, you can configure the cluster to use a specific time server. For more information, see the documentation for *Configuring chrony time service*.

If a DHCP server provides NTP server information, the chrony time service on the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines read the information and can sync the clock with the NTP servers.

Additional resources

- [Configuring chrony time service](#)

1.1.3.2. User-provisioned DNS requirements

DNS is used for name resolution and reverse name resolution. DNS A/AAAA or CNAME records are used for name resolution and PTR records are used for reverse name resolution. The reverse records are important because Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) uses the reverse records to set the host name for all the nodes. Additionally, the reverse records are used to generate the certificate signing requests (CSR) that OpenShift Container Platform needs to operate.

The following DNS records are required for an OpenShift Container Platform cluster that uses user-provisioned infrastructure. In each record, **<cluster_name>** is the cluster name and **<base_domain>** is the cluster base domain that you specify in the **install-config.yaml** file. A complete DNS record takes the form: **<component>.<cluster_name>.<base_domain>..**

Table 1.6. Required DNS records

Component	Record	Description
Kubernetes API	api.<cluster_name>.<base_domain>.	Add a DNS A/AAAA or CNAME record, and a DNS PTR record, to identify the load balancer for the control plane machines. These records must be resolvable by both clients external to the cluster and from all the nodes within the cluster.
	api-int.<cluster_name>.<base_domain>.	Add a DNS A/AAAA or CNAME record, and a DNS PTR record, to identify the load balancer for the control plane machines. These records must be resolvable from all the nodes within the cluster.
		 <p>IMPORTANT</p> <p>The API server must be able to resolve the worker nodes by the host names that are recorded in Kubernetes. If the API server cannot resolve the node names, then proxied API calls can fail, and you cannot retrieve logs from pods.</p>
Routes	*.apps.<cluster_name>.<base_domain>.	Add a wildcard DNS A/AAAA or CNAME record that refers to the load balancer that targets the machines that run the Ingress router pods, which are the worker nodes by default. These records must be resolvable by both clients external to the cluster and from all the nodes within the cluster.
Bootstrap	bootstrap.<cluster_name>.<base_domain>.	Add a DNS A/AAAA or CNAME record, and a DNS PTR record, to identify the bootstrap machine. These records must be resolvable by the nodes within the cluster.

Component	Record	Description
Master hosts	<master><n>. <cluster_name>. <base_domain>.	DNS A/AAAA or CNAME records and DNS PTR records to identify each machine for the control plane nodes (also known as the master nodes). These records must be resolvable by the nodes within the cluster.
Worker hosts	<worker><n>. <cluster_name>. <base_domain>.	Add DNS A/AAAA or CNAME records and DNS PTR records to identify each machine for the worker nodes. These records must be resolvable by the nodes within the cluster.

TIP

You can use the **nslookup <hostname>** command to verify name resolution. You can use the **dig -x <ip_address>** command to verify reverse name resolution for the PTR records.

The following example of a BIND zone file shows sample A records for name resolution. The purpose of the example is to show the records that are needed. The example is not meant to provide advice for choosing one name resolution service over another.

Example 1.1. Sample DNS zone database

```
$TTL 1W
@ IN SOA ns1.example.com. root (
  2019070700 ; serial
  3H ; refresh (3 hours)
  30M ; retry (30 minutes)
  2W ; expiry (2 weeks)
  1W ) ; minimum (1 week)
IN NS ns1.example.com.
IN MX 10 smtp.example.com.
;
;
ns1 IN A 192.168.1.5
smtp IN A 192.168.1.5
;
helper IN A 192.168.1.5
helper.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.5
;
; The api identifies the IP of your load balancer.
api.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.5
api-int.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.5
;
; The wildcard also identifies the load balancer.
*.apps.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.5
;
; Create an entry for the bootstrap host.
bootstrap.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.96
;
; Create entries for the master hosts.
master0.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.97
master1.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.98
```

```

master2.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.99
;
; Create entries for the worker hosts.
worker0.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.11
worker1.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.7
;
;EOF

```

The following example BIND zone file shows sample PTR records for reverse name resolution.

Example 1.2. Sample DNS zone database for reverse records

```

$TTL 1W
@ IN SOA ns1.example.com. root (
  2019070700 ; serial
  3H ; refresh (3 hours)
  30M ; retry (30 minutes)
  2W ; expiry (2 weeks)
  1W ) ; minimum (1 week)
IN NS ns1.example.com.
;
; The syntax is "last octet" and the host must have an FQDN
; with a trailing dot.
97 IN PTR master0.ocp4.example.com.
98 IN PTR master1.ocp4.example.com.
99 IN PTR master2.ocp4.example.com.
;
96 IN PTR bootstrap.ocp4.example.com.
;
5 IN PTR api.ocp4.example.com.
5 IN PTR api-int.ocp4.example.com.
;
11 IN PTR worker0.ocp4.example.com.
7 IN PTR worker1.ocp4.example.com.
;
;EOF

```

1.1.4. Generating an SSH private key and adding it to the agent

If you want to perform installation debugging or disaster recovery on your cluster, you must provide an SSH key to both your **ssh-agent** and the installation program. You can use this key to access the bootstrap machine in a public cluster to troubleshoot installation issues.



NOTE

In a production environment, you require disaster recovery and debugging.

You can use this key to SSH into the master nodes as the user **core**. When you deploy the cluster, the key is added to the **core** user's `~/.ssh/authorized_keys` list.

**NOTE**

You must use a local key, not one that you configured with platform-specific approaches such as [AWS key pairs](#).

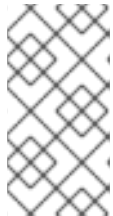
Procedure

1. If you do not have an SSH key that is configured for password-less authentication on your computer, create one. For example, on a computer that uses a Linux operating system, run the following command:

```
$ ssh-keygen -t ed25519 -N "" \
-f <path>/<file_name> 1
```

- 1 Specify the path and file name, such as `~/.ssh/id_rsa`, of the new SSH key. If you have an existing key pair, ensure your public key is in the your `~/.ssh` directory.

Running this command generates an SSH key that does not require a password in the location that you specified.

**NOTE**

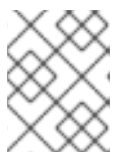
If you plan to install an OpenShift Container Platform cluster that uses FIPS Validated / Modules in Process cryptographic libraries on the **x86_64** architecture, do not create a key that uses the **ed25519** algorithm. Instead, create a key that uses the **rsa** or **ecdsa** algorithm.

2. Start the **ssh-agent** process as a background task:

```
$ eval "$(ssh-agent -s)"
```

Example output

```
Agent pid 31874
```

**NOTE**

If your cluster is in FIPS mode, only use FIPS-compliant algorithms to generate the SSH key. The key must be either RSA or ECDSA.

3. Add your SSH private key to the **ssh-agent**:

```
$ ssh-add <path>/<file_name> 1
```

Example output

```
Identity added: /home/<you>/<path>/<file_name> (<computer_name>)
```

- 1 Specify the path and file name for your SSH private key, such as `~/.ssh/id_rsa`

Next steps

- When you install OpenShift Container Platform, provide the SSH public key to the installation program.

1.1.5. Obtaining the installation program

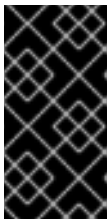
Before you install OpenShift Container Platform, download the installation file on a local computer.

Prerequisites

- You have a computer that runs Linux or macOS, with 500 MB of local disk space

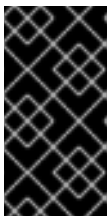
Procedure

1. Access the [Infrastructure Provider](#) page on the OpenShift Cluster Manager site. If you have a Red Hat account, log in with your credentials. If you do not, create an account.
2. Select your infrastructure provider.
3. Navigate to the page for your installation type, download the installation program for your operating system, and place the file in the directory where you will store the installation configuration files.



IMPORTANT

The installation program creates several files on the computer that you use to install your cluster. You must keep the installation program and the files that the installation program creates after you finish installing the cluster. Both files are required to delete the cluster.



IMPORTANT

Deleting the files created by the installation program does not remove your cluster, even if the cluster failed during installation. To remove your cluster, complete the OpenShift Container Platform uninstallation procedures for your specific cloud provider.

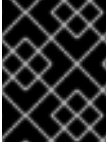
4. Extract the installation program. For example, on a computer that uses a Linux operating system, run the following command:

```
$ tar xvf openshift-install-linux.tar.gz
```

5. Download your installation [pull secret from the Red Hat OpenShift Cluster Manager](#) . This pull secret allows you to authenticate with the services that are provided by the included authorities, including Quay.io, which serves the container images for OpenShift Container Platform components.

1.1.6. Installing the OpenShift CLI by downloading the binary

You can install the OpenShift CLI (**oc**) in order to interact with OpenShift Container Platform from a command-line interface. You can install **oc** on Linux, Windows, or macOS.



IMPORTANT

If you installed an earlier version of **oc**, you cannot use it to complete all of the commands in OpenShift Container Platform 4.6. Download and install the new version of **oc**.

1.1.6.1. Installing the OpenShift CLI on Linux

You can install the OpenShift CLI (**oc**) binary on Linux by using the following procedure.

Procedure

1. Navigate to the [OpenShift Container Platform downloads page](#) on the Red Hat Customer Portal.
2. Select the appropriate version in the **Version** drop-down menu.
3. Click **Download Now** next to the **OpenShift v4.6 Linux Client** entry and save the file.
4. Unpack the archive:

```
$ tar xvzf <file>
```

5. Place the **oc** binary in a directory that is on your **PATH**.
To check your **PATH**, execute the following command:

```
$ echo $PATH
```

After you install the OpenShift CLI, it is available using the **oc** command:

```
$ oc <command>
```

1.1.6.2. Installing the OpenShift CLI on Windows

You can install the OpenShift CLI (**oc**) binary on Windows by using the following procedure.

Procedure

1. Navigate to the [OpenShift Container Platform downloads page](#) on the Red Hat Customer Portal.
2. Select the appropriate version in the **Version** drop-down menu.
3. Click **Download Now** next to the **OpenShift v4.6 Windows Client** entry and save the file.
4. Unzip the archive with a ZIP program.
5. Move the **oc** binary to a directory that is on your **PATH**.
To check your **PATH**, open the command prompt and execute the following command:

```
C:\> path
```

After you install the OpenShift CLI, it is available using the **oc** command:

```
C:\> oc <command>
```

1.1.6.3. Installing the OpenShift CLI on macOS

You can install the OpenShift CLI (**oc**) binary on macOS by using the following procedure.

Procedure

1. Navigate to the [OpenShift Container Platform downloads page](#) on the Red Hat Customer Portal.
2. Select the appropriate version in the **Version** drop-down menu.
3. Click **Download Now** next to the **OpenShift v4.6 MacOSX Client** entry and save the file.
4. Unpack and unzip the archive.
5. Move the **oc** binary to a directory on your PATH.
To check your **PATH**, open a terminal and execute the following command:

```
$ echo $PATH
```

After you install the OpenShift CLI, it is available using the **oc** command:

```
$ oc <command>
```

1.1.7. Manually creating the installation configuration file

For installations of OpenShift Container Platform that use user-provisioned infrastructure, you manually generate your installation configuration file.

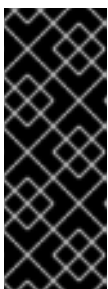
Prerequisites

- Obtain the OpenShift Container Platform installation program and the access token for your cluster.

Procedure

1. Create an installation directory to store your required installation assets in:

```
$ mkdir <installation_directory>
```



IMPORTANT

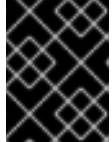
You must create a directory. Some installation assets, like bootstrap X.509 certificates have short expiration intervals, so you must not reuse an installation directory. If you want to reuse individual files from another cluster installation, you can copy them into your directory. However, the file names for the installation assets might change between releases. Use caution when copying installation files from an earlier OpenShift Container Platform version.

2. Customize the following **install-config.yaml** file template and save it in the **<installation_directory>**.

**NOTE**

You must name this configuration file **install-config.yaml**.

3. Back up the **install-config.yaml** file so that you can use it to install multiple clusters.

**IMPORTANT**

The **install-config.yaml** file is consumed during the next step of the installation process. You must back it up now.

1.1.7.1. Sample install-config.yaml file for IBM Power Systems

You can customize the **install-config.yaml** file to specify more details about your OpenShift Container Platform cluster's platform or modify the values of the required parameters.

```

apiVersion: v1
baseDomain: example.com 1
compute: 2
- hyperthreading: Enabled 3
  name: worker
  replicas: 0 4
  architecture : ppc64le
controlPlane: 5
  hyperthreading: Enabled 6
  name: master
  replicas: 3 7
  architecture : ppc64le
metadata:
  name: test 8
networking:
  clusterNetwork:
  - cidr: 10.128.0.0/14 9
    hostPrefix: 23 10
  networkType: OpenShiftSDN
  serviceNetwork: 11
  - 172.30.0.0/16
platform:
  none: {} 12
fips: false 13
pullSecret: '{"auths": ...}' 14
sshKey: 'ssh-ed25519 AAAA...' 15

```

- 1 The base domain of the cluster. All DNS records must be sub-domains of this base and include the cluster name.

- 2 5 The **controlPlane** section is a single mapping, but the **compute** section is a sequence of mappings. To meet the requirements of the different data structures, the first line of the **compute** section must begin with a hyphen, -, and the first line of the **controlPlane** section must not. Only

one control plane pool is used.

- 3 6** Whether to enable or disable simultaneous multithreading (SMT), or **hyperthreading**. By default, SMT is enabled to increase the performance of your machines' cores. You can disable it by setting the parameter value to **Disabled**. If you disable SMT, you must disable it in all cluster machines; this includes both control plane and compute machines.



NOTE

Simultaneous multithreading (SMT) is enabled by default. If SMT is not enabled in your BIOS settings, the **hyperthreading** parameter has no effect.



IMPORTANT

If you disable **hyperthreading**, whether in the BIOS or in the **install-config.yaml**, ensure that your capacity planning accounts for the dramatically decreased machine performance.

- 4** You must set the value of the **replicas** parameter to **0**. This parameter controls the number of workers that the cluster creates and manages for you, which are functions that the cluster does not perform when you use user-provisioned infrastructure. You must manually deploy worker machines for the cluster to use before you finish installing OpenShift Container Platform.
- 7** The number of control plane machines that you add to the cluster. Because the cluster uses this values as the number of etcd endpoints in the cluster, the value must match the number of control plane machines that you deploy.
- 8** The cluster name that you specified in your DNS records.
- 9** A block of IP addresses from which pod IP addresses are allocated. This block must not overlap with existing physical networks. These IP addresses are used for the pod network. If you need to access the pods from an external network, you must configure load balancers and routers to manage the traffic.



NOTE

Class E CIDR range is reserved for a future use. To use the Class E CIDR range, you must ensure your networking environment accepts the IP addresses within the Class E CIDR range.

- 10** The subnet prefix length to assign to each individual node. For example, if **hostPrefix** is set to **23**, then each node is assigned a **/23** subnet out of the given **cidr**, which allows for 510 ($2^{(32 - 23)} - 2$) pod IPs addresses. If you are required to provide access to nodes from an external network, configure load balancers and routers to manage the traffic.
- 11** The IP address pool to use for service IP addresses. You can enter only one IP address pool. This block must not overlap with existing physical networks. If you need to access the services from an external network, configure load balancers and routers to manage the traffic.
- 12** You must set the platform to **none**. You cannot provide additional platform configuration variables for IBM Power Systems infrastructure.
- 13** Whether to enable or disable FIPS mode. By default, FIPS mode is not enabled. If FIPS mode is enabled, the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines that OpenShift Container Platform runs on bypass the default Kubernetes cryptography suite and use the cryptography

modules that are provided with RHCOS instead.



IMPORTANT

The use of FIPS Validated / Modules in Process cryptographic libraries is only supported on OpenShift Container Platform deployments on the **x86_64** architecture.

- 14 The [pull secret from the Red Hat OpenShift Cluster Manager](#) . This pull secret allows you to authenticate with the services that are provided by the included authorities, including Quay.io, which serves the container images for OpenShift Container Platform components.
- 15 The public portion of the default SSH key for the **core** user in Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS).



NOTE

For production OpenShift Container Platform clusters on which you want to perform installation debugging or disaster recovery, specify an SSH key that your **ssh-agent** process uses.

1.1.7.2. Configuring the cluster-wide proxy during installation

Production environments can deny direct access to the Internet and instead have an HTTP or HTTPS proxy available. You can configure a new OpenShift Container Platform cluster to use a proxy by configuring the proxy settings in the **install-config.yaml** file.

Prerequisites

- You have an existing **install-config.yaml** file.
- You reviewed the sites that your cluster requires access to and determined whether any of them need to bypass the proxy. By default, all cluster egress traffic is proxied, including calls to hosting cloud provider APIs. You added sites to the **Proxy** object's **spec.noProxy** field to bypass the proxy if necessary.



NOTE

The **Proxy** object **status.noProxy** field is populated with the values of the **networking.machineNetwork[].cidr**, **networking.clusterNetwork[].cidr**, and **networking.serviceNetwork[]** fields from your installation configuration.

For installations on Amazon Web Services (AWS), Google Cloud Platform (GCP), Microsoft Azure, and Red Hat OpenStack Platform (RHOSP), the **Proxy** object **status.noProxy** field is also populated with the instance metadata endpoint (**169.254.169.254**).

Procedure

1. Edit your **install-config.yaml** file and add the proxy settings. For example:

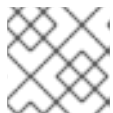
```
apiVersion: v1
baseDomain: my.domain.com
```

```

proxy:
  httpProxy: http://<username>:<pswd>@<ip>:<port> 1
  httpsProxy: https://<username>:<pswd>@<ip>:<port> 2
  noProxy: example.com 3
  additionalTrustBundle: | 4
    -----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
    <MY_TRUSTED_CA_CERT>
    -----END CERTIFICATE-----
  ...

```

- 1 A proxy URL to use for creating HTTP connections outside the cluster. The URL scheme must be **http**.
- 2 A proxy URL to use for creating HTTPS connections outside the cluster.
- 3 A comma-separated list of destination domain names, IP addresses, or other network CIDRs to exclude from proxying. Preface a domain with **.** to match subdomains only. For example, **.y.com** matches **x.y.com**, but not **y.com**. Use ***** to bypass the proxy for all destinations.
- 4 If provided, the installation program generates a config map that is named **user-ca-bundle** in the **openshift-config** namespace to hold the additional CA certificates. If you provide **additionalTrustBundle** and at least one proxy setting, the **Proxy** object is configured to reference the **user-ca-bundle** config map in the **trustedCA** field. The Cluster Network Operator then creates a **trusted-ca-bundle** config map that merges the contents specified for the **trustedCA** parameter with the RHCOS trust bundle. The **additionalTrustBundle** field is required unless the proxy's identity certificate is signed by an authority from the RHCOS trust bundle.



NOTE

The installation program does not support the proxy **readinessEndpoints** field.

2. Save the file and reference it when installing OpenShift Container Platform.

The installation program creates a cluster-wide proxy that is named **cluster** that uses the proxy settings in the provided **install-config.yaml** file. If no proxy settings are provided, a **cluster Proxy** object is still created, but it will have a nil **spec**.



NOTE

Only the **Proxy** object named **cluster** is supported, and no additional proxies can be created.

1.1.8. Creating the Kubernetes manifest and Ignition config files

Because you must modify some cluster definition files and manually start the cluster machines, you must generate the Kubernetes manifest and Ignition config files that the cluster needs to make its machines.

The installation configuration file transforms into the Kubernetes manifests. The manifests wrap into the Ignition configuration files, which are later used to create the cluster.



IMPORTANT

- The Ignition config files that the installation program generates contain certificates that expire after 24 hours, which are then renewed at that time. If the cluster is shut down before renewing the certificates and the cluster is later restarted after the 24 hours have elapsed, the cluster automatically recovers the expired certificates. The exception is that you must manually approve the pending **node-bootstrapper** certificate signing requests (CSRs) to recover kubelet certificates. See the documentation for *Recovering from expired control plane certificates* for more information.
- It is recommended that you use Ignition config files within 12 hours after they are generated because the 24-hour certificate rotates from 16 to 22 hours after the cluster is installed. By using the Ignition config files within 12 hours, you can avoid installation failure if the certificate update runs during installation.

Prerequisites

- You obtained the OpenShift Container Platform installation program.
- You created the **install-config.yaml** installation configuration file.

Procedure

1. Change to the directory that contains the installation program and generate the Kubernetes manifests for the cluster:

```
$ ./openshift-install create manifests --dir <installation_directory> 1
```

- 1 For **<installation_directory>**, specify the installation directory that contains the **install-config.yaml** file you created.

2. Check that the **mastersSchedulable** parameter in the **<installation_directory>/manifests/cluster-scheduler-02-config.yml** Kubernetes manifest file is set to **false**. This setting prevents pods from being scheduled on the control plane machines:

- a. Open the **<installation_directory>/manifests/cluster-scheduler-02-config.yml** file.
- b. Locate the **mastersSchedulable** parameter and ensure that it is set to **false**.
- c. Save and exit the file.

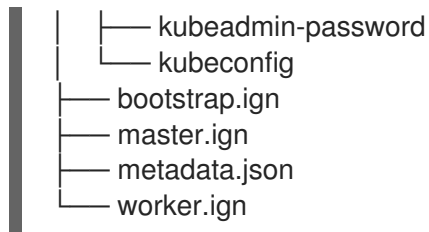
3. To create the Ignition configuration files, run the following command from the directory that contains the installation program:

```
$ ./openshift-install create ignition-configs --dir <installation_directory> 1
```

- 1 For **<installation_directory>**, specify the same installation directory.

The following files are generated in the directory:

```
.
├── auth
```



1.1.9. Creating Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines

Before you install a cluster on IBM Power Systems infrastructure that you provision, you must create RHCOS machines for it to use. Follow either the steps to use an ISO image or network PXE booting to create the machines.

1.1.9.1. Creating Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines using an ISO image

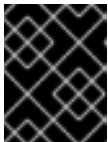
Before you install a cluster on IBM Power Systems infrastructure that you provision, you must create RHCOS machines for it to use. You can use an ISO image to create the machines.

Prerequisites

- Obtain the Ignition config files for your cluster.
- Have access to an HTTP server that can be accessed from your computer, and from the machines that you create.

Procedure

1. Upload the control plane, compute, and bootstrap Ignition config files that the installation program created to your HTTP server. Note the URLs of these files.



IMPORTANT

If you plan to add more compute machines to your cluster after you finish installation, do not delete these files.

2. Obtain the RHCOS images that are required for your preferred method of installing operating system instances from the [RHCOS image mirror](#) page.



IMPORTANT

The RHCOS images might not change with every release of OpenShift Container Platform. You must download images with the highest version that is less than or equal to the OpenShift Container Platform version that you install. Use the image versions that match your OpenShift Container Platform version if they are available. Use only ISO images for this procedure. RHCOS qcow2 images are not supported for this installation type.

ISO file names resemble the following example:

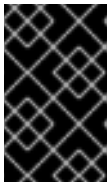
rhcos-<version>-live.<architecture>.iso

3. Use the ISO to start the RHCOS installation. Use one of the following installation options:
 - Burn the ISO image to a disk and boot it directly.

- Use ISO redirection via a LOM interface.
4. Boot the ISO image. You can interrupt the installation boot process to add kernel arguments. However, for this ISO procedure you should use the **coreos-installer** command instead of adding kernel arguments. If you run the live installer without options or interruption, the installer boots up to a shell prompt on the live system, ready for you to install RHCOS to disk.
 5. Review the *Advanced RHCOS installation reference* section for different ways of configuring features, such as networking and disk partitions, before running the **coreos-installer**.
 6. Run the **coreos-installer** command. At a minimum, you must identify the Ignition config file location for your node type, and the location of the disk you are installing to. Here is an example:

```
$ sudo coreos-installer install \
  --ignition-url=https://host/worker.ign /dev/sda
```

7. After RHCOS installs, the system reboots. During the system reboot, it applies the Ignition config file that you specified.
8. Continue to create the other machines for your cluster.



IMPORTANT

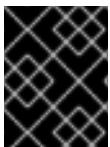
You must create the bootstrap and control plane machines at this time. If the control plane machines are not made schedulable, which is the default, also create at least two compute machines before you install the cluster.

1.1.9.1.1. Advanced RHCOS installation reference

This section illustrates the networking configuration and other advanced options that allow you to modify the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) manual installation process. The following tables describe the kernel arguments and command-line options you can use with the RHCOS live installer and the **coreos-installer** command.

Routing and bonding options at RHCOS boot prompt

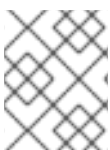
If you install RHCOS from an ISO image, you can add kernel arguments manually when you boot that image to configure the node's networking. If no networking arguments are used, the installation defaults to using DHCP.



IMPORTANT

When adding networking arguments, you must also add the **rd.neednet=1** kernel argument.

The following table describes how to use **ip=**, **nameserver=**, and **bond=** kernel arguments for live ISO installs.



NOTE


Ordering is important when adding kernel arguments: **ip=**, **nameserver=**, and then **bond=**.

Routing and bonding options for ISO

The following table provides examples for configuring networking of your Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) nodes. These are networking options that are passed to the **dracut** tool during system boot. For more information about the networking options supported by **dracut**, see the **dracut.cmdline** manual page.

Description	Examples
<p>To configure an IP address, either use DHCP (ip=dhcp) or set an individual static IP address (ip=<host_ip>). Then identify the DNS server IP address (nameserver=<dns_ip>) on each node. This example sets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The node's IP address to 10.10.10.2 • The gateway address to 10.10.10.254 • The netmask to 255.255.255.0 • The hostname to core0.example.com • The DNS server address to 4.4.4.41 	<pre>ip=10.10.10.2::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:core0.example.com:enp1s0:none nameserver=4.4.4.41</pre>
<p>Specify multiple network interfaces by specifying multiple ip= entries.</p>	<pre>ip=10.10.10.2::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:core0.example.com:enp1s0:none ip=10.10.10.3::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:core0.example.com:enp2s0:none</pre>
<p>Optional: You can configure routes to additional networks by setting an rd.route= value.</p> <p>If the additional network gateway is different from the primary network gateway, the default gateway must be the primary network gateway.</p>	<p>To configure the default gateway:</p> <pre>ip=::10.10.10.254:::</pre> <p>To configure the route for the additional network:</p> <pre>rd.route=20.20.20.0/24:20.20.20.254:enp2s0</pre>
<p>Disable DHCP on a single interface, such as when there are two or more network interfaces and only one interface is being used.</p>	<pre>ip=10.10.10.2::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:core0.example.com:enp1s0:none ip=:::core0.example.com:enp2s0:none</pre>
<p>You can combine DHCP and static IP configurations on systems with multiple network interfaces.</p>	<pre>ip=enp1s0:dhcp ip=10.10.10.2::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:core0.example.com:enp2s0:none</pre>

Description	Examples
<p>Optional: You can configure VLANs on individual interfaces by using the vlan= parameter.</p>	<p>To configure a VLAN on a network interface and use a static IP address:</p> <pre data-bbox="815 315 1442 450">ip=10.10.10.2::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:co re0.example.com:enp2s0.100:none vlan=enp2s0.100:enp2s0</pre> <p>To configure a VLAN on a network interface and to use DHCP:</p> <pre data-bbox="815 584 1177 674">ip=enp2s0.100:dhcp vlan=enp2s0.100:enp2s0</pre>
<p>You can provide multiple DNS servers by adding a nameserver= entry for each server.</p>	<pre data-bbox="815 763 1114 842">nameserver=1.1.1.1 nameserver=8.8.8.8</pre>
<p>Optional: Bonding multiple network interfaces to a single interface is supported using the bond= option. In these two examples:</p> <ul data-bbox="229 1039 778 1559" style="list-style-type: none"> • The syntax for configuring a bonded interface is: bond=name[:network_interfaces] [:options] • <i>name</i> is the bonding device name (bond0), <i>network_interfaces</i> represents a comma-separated list of physical (ethernet) interfaces (em1,em2), and <i>options</i> is a comma-separated list of bonding options. Enter modinfo bonding to see available options. • When you create a bonded interface using bond=, you must specify how the IP address is assigned and other information for the bonded interface. 	<p>To configure the bonded interface to use DHCP, set the bond's IP address to dhcp. For example:</p> <pre data-bbox="815 1010 1417 1088">bond=bond0:em1,em2:mode=active-backup ip=bond0:dhcp</pre> <p>To configure the bonded interface to use a static IP address, enter the specific IP address you want and related information. For example:</p> <pre data-bbox="815 1279 1442 1379">bond=bond0:em1,em2:mode=active-backup ip=10.10.10.2::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:co re0.example.com:bond0:none</pre>

Description	Examples
<p>Optional: You can configure VLANs on bonded interfaces by using the vlan= parameter.</p>	<p>To configure the bonded interface with a VLAN and to use DHCP:</p> <pre data-bbox="815 315 1417 450">ip=bond0.100:dhcp bond=bond0:em1,em2:mode=active-backup vlan=bond0.100:bond0</pre> <p>To configure the bonded interface with a VLAN and to use a static IP address:</p> <pre data-bbox="815 584 1442 741">ip=10.10.10.2::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:core0.example.com:bond0.100:none bond=bond0:em1,em2:mode=active-backup vlan=bond0.100:bond0</pre>
<p>Optional: Network teaming can be used as an alternative to bonding by using the team= parameter. In this example:</p> <ul data-bbox="225 936 767 1122" style="list-style-type: none"> • The syntax for configuring a team interface is: team=name[:network_interfaces] <i>name</i> is the team device name (team0) and <i>network_interfaces</i> represents a comma-separated list of physical (ethernet) interfaces (em1, em2). <div data-bbox="161 1167 272 1391">  </div> <p>NOTE</p> <p>Teaming is planned to be deprecated when RHCOS switches to an upcoming version of RHEL. For more information, see this Red Hat Knowledgebase Article.</p>	<p>To configure a network team:</p> <pre data-bbox="815 875 1145 954">team=team0:em1,em2 ip=team0:dhcp</pre>

1.1.9.2. Creating Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines by PXE or iPXE booting

Before you install a cluster that uses manually-provisioned RHCOS nodes, such as bare metal, you must create RHCOS machines for it to use. You can use PXE or iPXE booting to create the machines.

Prerequisites

- Obtain the Ignition config files for your cluster.
- Configure suitable PXE or iPXE infrastructure.
- Have access to an HTTP server that you can access from your computer.

Procedure

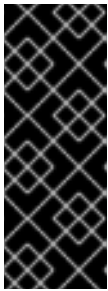
1. Upload the master, worker, and bootstrap Ignition config files that the installation program created to your HTTP server. Note the URLs of these files.



IMPORTANT

You can add or change configuration settings in your Ignition configs before saving them to your HTTP server. If you plan to add more compute machines to your cluster after you finish installation, do not delete these files.

2. Obtain the RHCOS **kernel**, **initramfs** and **rootfs** files from the [RHCOS image mirror](#) page.



IMPORTANT

The RHCOS artifacts might not change with every release of OpenShift Container Platform. You must download artifacts with the highest version that is less than or equal to the OpenShift Container Platform version that you install. Only use the appropriate **kernel**, **initramfs**, and **rootfs** artifacts described below for this procedure. RHCOS qcow2 images are not supported for this installation type.

The file names contain the OpenShift Container Platform version number. They resemble the following examples:

- **kernel:** `rhcos-<version>-live-kernel-<architecture>`
- **initramfs:** `rhcos-<version>-live-initramfs.<architecture>.img`
- **rootfs:** `rhcos-<version>-live-rootfs.<architecture>.img`

3. Upload the additional files that are required for your booting method:
 - For traditional PXE, upload the **kernel** and **initramfs** files to your TFTP server and the **rootfs** file to your HTTP server.
 - For iPXE, upload the **kernel**, **initramfs**, and **rootfs** files to your HTTP server.



IMPORTANT

If you plan to add more compute machines to your cluster after you finish installation, do not delete these files.

4. Configure the network boot infrastructure so that the machines boot from their local disks after RHCOS is installed on them.
5. Configure PXE or iPXE installation for the RHCOS images. Modify one of the following example menu entries for your environment and verify that the image and Ignition files are properly accessible:

- For PXE:

```

DEFAULT pxeboot
TIMEOUT 20
PROMPT 0
LABEL pxeboot
  KERNEL http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-kernel-<architecture> 1

```

```
APPEND initrd=http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-initramfs.
<architecture>.img coreos.live.rootfs_url=http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-
rootfs.<architecture>.img coreos.inst.install_dev=/dev/sda
coreos.inst.ignition_url=http://<HTTP_server>/bootstrap.ign
```

- 1 Specify the location of the live **kernel** file that you uploaded to your HTTP server. The URL must be HTTP, TFTP, or FTP; HTTPS and NFS are not supported.
- 2 If you use multiple NICs, specify a single interface in the **ip** option. For example, to use DHCP on a NIC that is named **eno1**, set **ip=eno1:dhcp**.
- 3 Specify locations of the RHCOS files that you uploaded to your HTTP server. The **initrd** parameter value is the location of the **initramfs** file, the **coreos.live.rootfs_url** parameter value is the location of the **rootfs** file, and the **coreos.inst.ignition_url** parameter value is the location of the bootstrap Ignition config file. You can also add more kernel arguments to the **APPEND** line to configure networking or other boot options.



NOTE

This configuration does not enable serial console access on machines with a graphical console. To configure a different console, add one or more **console=** arguments to the **APPEND** line. For example, add **console=tty0 console=ttyS0** to set the first PC serial port as the primary console and the graphical console as a secondary console. For more information, see [How does one set up a serial terminal and/or console in Red Hat Enterprise Linux?](#)

- For iPXE:

```
kernel http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-kernel-<architecture> initrd=main
coreos.live.rootfs_url=http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-rootfs.
<architecture>.img coreos.inst.install_dev=/dev/sda
coreos.inst.ignition_url=http://<HTTP_server>/bootstrap.ign
initrd --name main http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-initramfs.
<architecture>.img
boot
```

- 1 Specify locations of the RHCOS files that you uploaded to your HTTP server. The **kernel** parameter value is the location of the **kernel** file, the **initrd=main** argument is needed for booting on UEFI systems, the **coreos.live.rootfs_url** parameter value is the location of the **rootfs** file, and the **coreos.inst.ignition_url** parameter value is the location of the bootstrap Ignition config file.
- 2 If you use multiple NICs, specify a single interface in the **ip** option. For example, to use DHCP on a NIC that is named **eno1**, set **ip=eno1:dhcp**.
- 3 Specify the location of the **initramfs** file that you uploaded to your HTTP server.

**NOTE**

This configuration does not enable serial console access on machines with a graphical console. To configure a different console, add one or more **console=** arguments to the **kernel** line. For example, add **console=tty0 console=ttyS0** to set the first PC serial port as the primary console and the graphical console as a secondary console. For more information, see [How does one set up a serial terminal and/or console in Red Hat Enterprise Linux?](#)

6. If you use PXE UEFI, perform the following actions:

a. Provide the **shimx64.efi** and **grubx64.efi** EFI binaries and the **grub.cfg** file that are required for booting the system.

- Extract the necessary EFI binaries by mounting the RHCOS ISO to your host and then mounting the **images/efiboot.img** file to your host:

```
$ mkdir -p /mnt/iso
```

```
$ mkdir -p /mnt/efiboot
```

```
$ mount -o loop rhcos-installer.x86_64.iso /mnt/iso
```

```
$ mount -o loop,ro /mnt/iso/images/efiboot.img /mnt/efiboot
```

- From the **efiboot.img** mount point, copy the **EFI/redhat/shimx64.efi** and **EFI/redhat/grubx64.efi** files to your TFTP server:

```
$ cp /mnt/efiboot/EFI/redhat/shimx64.efi .
```

```
$ cp /mnt/efiboot/EFI/redhat/grubx64.efi .
```

```
$ umount /mnt/efiboot
```

```
$ umount /mnt/iso
```

- Copy the **EFI/redhat/grub.cfg** file that is included in the RHCOS ISO to your TFTP server.

b. Edit the **grub.cfg** file to include arguments similar to the following:

```
menuentry 'Install Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS' --class fedora --class gnu-linux --
class gnu --class os {
  linuxefi rhcos-<version>-live-kernel-<architecture> coreos.inst.install_dev=/dev/sda
  coreos.live.rootfs_url=http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-rootfs.
  <architecture>.img coreos.inst.ignition_url=http://<HTTP_server>/bootstrap.ign
  initrdefi rhcos-<version>-live-initramfs.<architecture>.img
}
```

where:

rhcos-<version>-live-kernel-<architecture>

Specifies the **kernel** file that you uploaded to your TFTP server.

http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-rootfs.<architecture>.img

Specifies the location of the live rootfs image that you uploaded to your HTTP server.

http://<HTTP_server>/bootstrap.ign

Specifies the location of the bootstrap Ignition config file that you uploaded to your HTTP server.

rhcos-<version>-live-initramfs.<architecture>.img

Specifies the location of the **initramfs** file that you uploaded to your TFTP server.

**NOTE**

For more information on how to configure a PXE server for UEFI boot, see the Red Hat Knowledgebase article: [How to configure/setup a PXE server for UEFI boot for Red Hat Enterprise Linux?](#).

- Continue to create the machines for your cluster.

**IMPORTANT**

You must create the bootstrap and control plane machines at this time. If the control plane machines are not made schedulable, which is the default, also create at least two compute machines before you install the cluster.

1.1.10. Creating the cluster

To create the OpenShift Container Platform cluster, you wait for the bootstrap process to complete on the machines that you provisioned by using the Ignition config files that you generated with the installation program.

Prerequisites

- Create the required infrastructure for the cluster.
- You obtained the installation program and generated the Ignition config files for your cluster.
- You used the Ignition config files to create RHCOS machines for your cluster.
- Your machines have direct Internet access or have an HTTP or HTTPS proxy available.

Procedure

- Monitor the bootstrap process:

```
$ ./openshift-install --dir <installation_directory> wait-for bootstrap-complete \ 1
--log-level=info 2
```

1 For **<installation_directory>**, specify the path to the directory that you stored the installation files in.

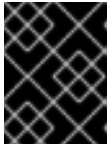
2 To view different installation details, specify **warn**, **debug**, or **error** instead of **info**.

Example output

```
INFO Waiting up to 30m0s for the Kubernetes API at https://api.test.example.com:6443...
INFO API v1.19.0 up
INFO Waiting up to 30m0s for bootstrapping to complete...
INFO It is now safe to remove the bootstrap resources
```

The command succeeds when the Kubernetes API server signals that it has been bootstrapped on the control plane machines.

2. After bootstrap process is complete, remove the bootstrap machine from the load balancer.



IMPORTANT

You must remove the bootstrap machine from the load balancer at this point. You can also remove or reformat the machine itself.

1.1.11. Logging in to the cluster by using the CLI

You can log in to your cluster as a default system user by exporting the cluster **kubeconfig** file. The **kubeconfig** file contains information about the cluster that is used by the CLI to connect a client to the correct cluster and API server. The file is specific to a cluster and is created during OpenShift Container Platform installation.

Prerequisites

- You deployed an OpenShift Container Platform cluster.
- You installed the **oc** CLI.

Procedure

1. Export the **kubeadmin** credentials:

```
$ export KUBECONFIG=<installation_directory>/auth/kubeconfig 1
```

- 1** For **<installation_directory>**, specify the path to the directory that you stored the installation files in.

2. Verify you can run **oc** commands successfully using the exported configuration:

```
$ oc whoami
```

Example output

```
system:admin
```

1.1.12. Approving the certificate signing requests for your machines

When you add machines to a cluster, two pending certificate signing requests (CSRs) are generated for each machine that you added. You must confirm that these CSRs are approved or, if necessary, approve them yourself. The client requests must be approved first, followed by the server requests.

Prerequisites

- You added machines to your cluster.

Procedure

- Confirm that the cluster recognizes the machines:

```
$ oc get nodes
```

Example output

```
NAME      STATUS    ROLES    AGE   VERSION
master-0  Ready    master   63m   v1.19.0
master-1  Ready    master   63m   v1.19.0
master-2  Ready    master   64m   v1.19.0
```

The output lists all of the machines that you created.



NOTE

The preceding output might not include the compute nodes, also known as worker nodes, until some CSRs are approved.

- Review the pending CSRs and ensure that you see the client requests with the **Pending** or **Approved** status for each machine that you added to the cluster:

```
$ oc get csr
```

Example output

```
NAME      AGE   REQUESTOR                                     CONDITION
csr-8b2br  15m   system:serviceaccount:openshift-machine-config-operator:node-
bootstrapper  Pending
csr-8vnps  15m   system:serviceaccount:openshift-machine-config-operator:node-
bootstrapper  Pending
...
```

In this example, two machines are joining the cluster. You might see more approved CSRs in the list.

- If the CSRs were not approved, after all of the pending CSRs for the machines you added are in **Pending** status, approve the CSRs for your cluster machines:

**NOTE**

Because the CSRs rotate automatically, approve your CSRs within an hour of adding the machines to the cluster. If you do not approve them within an hour, the certificates will rotate, and more than two certificates will be present for each node. You must approve all of these certificates. Once the client CSR is approved, the Kubelet creates a secondary CSR for the serving certificate, which requires manual approval. Then, subsequent serving certificate renewal requests are automatically approved by the **machine-approver** if the Kubelet requests a new certificate with identical parameters.

**NOTE**

For clusters running on platforms that are not machine API enabled, such as bare metal and other user-provisioned infrastructure, you must implement a method of automatically approving the kubelet serving certificate requests (CSRs). If a request is not approved, then the **oc exec**, **oc rsh**, and **oc logs** commands cannot succeed, because a serving certificate is required when the API server connects to the kubelet. Any operation that contacts the Kubelet endpoint requires this certificate approval to be in place. The method must watch for new CSRs, confirm that the CSR was submitted by the **node-bootstrap** service account in the **system:node** or **system:admin** groups, and confirm the identity of the node.

- To approve them individually, run the following command for each valid CSR:

```
$ oc adm certificate approve <csr_name> 1
```

- 1** **<csr_name>** is the name of a CSR from the list of current CSRs.

- To approve all pending CSRs, run the following command:

```
$ oc get csr -o go-template='{{range .items}}{{if not .status}}{{.metadata.name}}{"\n"}{{end}}{{end}}' | xargs --no-run-if-empty oc adm certificate approve
```

**NOTE**

Some Operators might not become available until some CSRs are approved.

4. Now that your client requests are approved, you must review the server requests for each machine that you added to the cluster:

```
$ oc get csr
```

Example output

```
NAME      AGE   REQUESTOR                                     CONDITION
csr-bfd72 5m26s system:node:ip-10-0-50-126.us-east-2.compute.internal
Pending
csr-c57lv 5m26s system:node:ip-10-0-95-157.us-east-2.compute.internal
Pending
...
```

5. If the remaining CSRs are not approved, and are in the **Pending** status, approve the CSRs for your cluster machines:

- To approve them individually, run the following command for each valid CSR:

```
$ oc adm certificate approve <csr_name> 1
```

1 **<csr_name>** is the name of a CSR from the list of current CSRs.

- To approve all pending CSRs, run the following command:

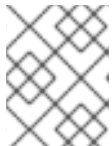
```
$ oc get csr -o go-template='{{range .items}}{{if not .status}}{{.metadata.name}}{\n"}\n{{end}}' | xargs oc adm certificate approve
```

6. After all client and server CSRs have been approved, the machines have the **Ready** status. Verify this by running the following command:

```
$ oc get nodes
```

Example output

```
NAME      STATUS  ROLES  AGE  VERSION
master-0  Ready   master 73m  v1.20.0
master-1  Ready   master 73m  v1.20.0
master-2  Ready   master 74m  v1.20.0
worker-0  Ready   worker 11m  v1.20.0
worker-1  Ready   worker 11m  v1.20.0
```



NOTE

It can take a few minutes after approval of the server CSRs for the machines to transition to the **Ready** status.

Additional information

- For more information on CSRs, see [Certificate Signing Requests](#).

1.1.13. Initial Operator configuration

After the control plane initializes, you must immediately configure some Operators so that they all become available.

Prerequisites

- Your control plane has initialized.

Procedure

- Watch the cluster components come online:

```
$ watch -n5 oc get clusteroperators
```

Example output

NAME	VERSION AVAILABLE	PROGRESSING	DEGRADED
authentication	4.6.0 True	False	False 3h56m
cloud-credential	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
cluster-autoscaler	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
config-operator	4.6.0 True	False	False 6h39m
console	4.6.0 True	False	False 3h59m
csi-snapshot-controller	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h12m
dns	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h15m
etcd	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
image-registry	4.6.0 True	False	False 3h59m
ingress	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h30m
insights	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
kube-apiserver	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
kube-controller-manager	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
kube-scheduler	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
kube-storage-version-migrator	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h2m
machine-api	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
machine-approver	4.6.0 True	False	False 6h34m
machine-config	4.6.0 True	False	False 3h56m
marketplace	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h2m
monitoring	4.6.0 True	False	False 6h31m
network	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
node-tuning	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h30m
openshift-apiserver	4.6.0 True	False	False 3h56m
openshift-controller-manager	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h36m
openshift-samples	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h30m
operator-lifecycle-manager	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
operator-lifecycle-manager-catalog	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
operator-lifecycle-manager-packageserver	4.6.0 True	False	False 3h59m
service-ca	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
storage	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h30m

2. Configure the Operators that are not available.

1.1.13.1. Image registry storage configuration

The Image Registry Operator is not initially available for platforms that do not provide default storage. After installation, you must configure your registry to use storage so that the Registry Operator is made available.

Instructions are shown for configuring a persistent volume, which is required for production clusters. Where applicable, instructions are shown for configuring an empty directory as the storage location, which is available for only non-production clusters.

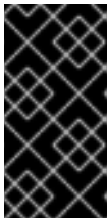
Additional instructions are provided for allowing the image registry to use block storage types by using the **Recreate** rollout strategy during upgrades.

1.1.13.1.1. Configuring registry storage for IBM Power Systems

As a cluster administrator, following installation you must configure your registry to use storage.

Prerequisites

- Cluster administrator permissions.
- A cluster on IBM Power Systems.
- Persistent storage provisioned for your cluster, such as Red Hat OpenShift Container Storage.



IMPORTANT

OpenShift Container Platform supports **ReadWriteOnce** access for image registry storage when you have only one replica. To deploy an image registry that supports high availability with two or more replicas, **ReadWriteMany** access is required.

- Must have 100Gi capacity.

Procedure

1. To configure your registry to use storage, change the **spec.storage.pvc** in the **configs.imageregistry/cluster** resource.



NOTE

When using shared storage, review your security settings to prevent outside access.

2. Verify that you do not have a registry pod:

```
$ oc get pod -n openshift-image-registry
```



NOTE

If the storage type is **emptyDIR**, the replica number cannot be greater than **1**.

3. Check the registry configuration:

```
$ oc edit configs.imageregistry.operator.openshift.io
```

Example output

```
storage:
  pvc:
    claim:
```

Leave the **claim** field blank to allow the automatic creation of an **image-registry-storage** PVC.

4. Check the **clusteroperator** status:

```
$ oc get clusteroperator image-registry
```

5. Ensure that your registry is set to managed to enable building and pushing of images.
 - Run:


```
$ oc edit configs.imageregistry/cluster
```

Then, change the line

```
managementState: Removed
```

to

```
managementState: Managed
```

1.1.13.1.2. Configuring storage for the image registry in non-production clusters

You must configure storage for the Image Registry Operator. For non-production clusters, you can set the image registry to an empty directory. If you do so, all images are lost if you restart the registry.

Procedure

- To set the image registry storage to an empty directory:

```
$ oc patch configs.imageregistry.operator.openshift.io cluster --type merge --patch '{"spec": {"storage":{"emptyDir":{}}}}'
```



WARNING

Configure this option for only non-production clusters.

If you run this command before the Image Registry Operator initializes its components, the **oc patch** command fails with the following error:

```
Error from server (NotFound): configs.imageregistry.operator.openshift.io "cluster" not found
```

Wait a few minutes and run the command again.

1.1.14. Completing installation on user-provisioned infrastructure

After you complete the Operator configuration, you can finish installing the cluster on infrastructure that you provide.

Prerequisites

- Your control plane has initialized.
- You have completed the initial Operator configuration.

Procedure

1. Confirm that all the cluster components are online with the following command:

```
$ watch -n5 oc get clusteroperators
```

Example output

NAME	VERSION AVAILABLE	PROGRESSING	DEGRADED	SINCE
authentication	4.6.0 True	False	False	3h56m
cloud-credential	4.6.0 True	False	False	29h
cluster-autoscaler	4.6.0 True	False	False	29h
config-operator	4.6.0 True	False	False	6h39m
console	4.6.0 True	False	False	3h59m
csi-snapshot-controller	4.6.0 True	False	False	4h12m
dns	4.6.0 True	False	False	4h15m
etcd	4.6.0 True	False	False	29h
image-registry	4.6.0 True	False	False	3h59m
ingress	4.6.0 True	False	False	4h30m
insights	4.6.0 True	False	False	29h
kube-apiserver	4.6.0 True	False	False	29h
kube-controller-manager	4.6.0 True	False	False	29h
kube-scheduler	4.6.0 True	False	False	29h
kube-storage-version-migrator	4.6.0 True	False	False	4h2m
machine-api	4.6.0 True	False	False	29h
machine-approver	4.6.0 True	False	False	6h34m
machine-config	4.6.0 True	False	False	3h56m
marketplace	4.6.0 True	False	False	4h2m
monitoring	4.6.0 True	False	False	6h31m
network	4.6.0 True	False	False	29h
node-tuning	4.6.0 True	False	False	4h30m
openshift-apiserver	4.6.0 True	False	False	3h56m
openshift-controller-manager	4.6.0 True	False	False	4h36m
openshift-samples	4.6.0 True	False	False	4h30m
operator-lifecycle-manager	4.6.0 True	False	False	29h
operator-lifecycle-manager-catalog	4.6.0 True	False	False	29h
operator-lifecycle-manager-packageserver	4.6.0 True	False	False	3h59m
service-ca	4.6.0 True	False	False	29h
storage	4.6.0 True	False	False	4h30m

Alternatively, the following command notifies you when all of the clusters are available. It also retrieves and displays credentials:

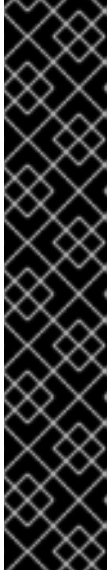
```
$ ./openshift-install --dir <installation_directory> wait-for install-complete 1
```

- 1** For **<installation_directory>**, specify the path to the directory that you stored the installation files in.

Example output

```
INFO Waiting up to 30m0s for the cluster to initialize...
```

The command succeeds when the Cluster Version Operator finishes deploying the OpenShift Container Platform cluster from Kubernetes API server.



IMPORTANT

- The Ignition config files that the installation program generates contain certificates that expire after 24 hours, which are then renewed at that time. If the cluster is shut down before renewing the certificates and the cluster is later restarted after the 24 hours have elapsed, the cluster automatically recovers the expired certificates. The exception is that you must manually approve the pending **node-bootstrapper** certificate signing requests (CSRs) to recover kubelet certificates. See the documentation for *Recovering from expired control plane certificates* for more information.
- It is recommended that you use Ignition config files within 12 hours after they are generated because the 24-hour certificate rotates from 16 to 22 hours after the cluster is installed. By using the Ignition config files within 12 hours, you can avoid installation failure if the certificate update runs during installation.

2. Confirm that the Kubernetes API server is communicating with the pods.

a. To view a list of all pods, use the following command:

```
$ oc get pods --all-namespaces
```

Example output

```

NAMESPACE           NAME                                     READY  STATUS
RESTARTS  AGE
openshift-apiserver-operator  openshift-apiserver-operator-85cb746d55-zqhs8  1/1
Running   1    9m
openshift-apiserver          apiserver-67b9g                                1/1  Running  0
3m
openshift-apiserver          apiserver-ljcmx                                1/1  Running  0
1m
openshift-apiserver          apiserver-z25h4                                1/1  Running  0
2m
openshift-authentication-operator  authentication-operator-69d5d8bf84-vh2n8  1/1
Running   0    5m
...

```

b. View the logs for a pod that is listed in the output of the previous command by using the following command:

```
$ oc logs <pod_name> -n <namespace> ❶
```

- ❶ Specify the pod name and namespace, as shown in the output of the previous command.

If the pod logs display, the Kubernetes API server can communicate with the cluster machines.

1.1.15. Telemetry access for OpenShift Container Platform

In OpenShift Container Platform 4.6, the Telemetry service, which runs by default to provide metrics about cluster health and the success of updates, requires internet access. If your cluster is connected to the internet, Telemetry runs automatically, and your cluster is registered to [OpenShift Cluster Manager](#).

After you confirm that your [OpenShift Cluster Manager](#) inventory is correct, either maintained automatically by Telemetry or manually by using OpenShift Cluster Manager, [use subscription watch](#) to track your OpenShift Container Platform subscriptions at the account or multi-cluster level.

Additional resources

- See [About remote health monitoring](#) for more information about the Telemetry service

1.1.16. Next steps

- [Customize your cluster](#).
- If necessary, you can [opt out of remote health reporting](#).

1.2. INSTALLING A CLUSTER ON IBM POWER SYSTEMS IN A RESTRICTED NETWORK

In OpenShift Container Platform version 4.6, you can install a cluster on IBM Power Systems infrastructure that you provision in a restricted network.



IMPORTANT

Additional considerations exist for non-bare metal platforms. Review the information in the [guidelines for deploying OpenShift Container Platform on non-tested platforms](#) before you install an OpenShift Container Platform cluster.

Prerequisites

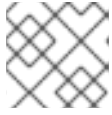
- [Create a mirror registry for installation in a restricted network](#) and obtain the **imageContentSources** data for your version of OpenShift Container Platform.
- Before you begin the installation process, you must move or remove any existing installation files. This ensures that the required installation files are created and updated during the installation process.



IMPORTANT

Ensure that installation steps are performed on a machine with access to the installation media.

- Provision [persistent storage](#) for your cluster. To deploy a private image registry, your storage must provide **ReadWriteMany** access modes.
- Review details about the [OpenShift Container Platform installation and update](#) processes.
- If you use a firewall and plan to use telemetry, you must [configure the firewall to allow the sites](#) that your cluster requires access to.

**NOTE**

Be sure to also review this site list if you are configuring a proxy.

1.2.1. About installations in restricted networks

In OpenShift Container Platform 4.6, you can perform an installation that does not require an active connection to the Internet to obtain software components. Restricted network installations can be completed using installer-provisioned infrastructure or user-provisioned infrastructure, depending on the cloud platform to which you are installing the cluster.

To complete a restricted network installation, you must create a registry that mirrors the contents of the OpenShift Container Platform registry and contains the installation media. You can create this registry on a mirror host, which can access both the Internet and your closed network, or by using other methods that meet your restrictions.

**IMPORTANT**

Because of the complexity of the configuration for user-provisioned installations, consider completing a standard user-provisioned infrastructure installation before you attempt a restricted network installation using user-provisioned infrastructure. Completing this test installation might make it easier to isolate and troubleshoot any issues that might arise during your installation in a restricted network.

1.2.1.1. Additional limits

Clusters in restricted networks have the following additional limitations and restrictions:

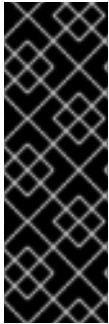
- The **ClusterVersion** status includes an **Unable to retrieve available updates** error.
- By default, you cannot use the contents of the Developer Catalog because you cannot access the required image stream tags.

1.2.2. Internet access for OpenShift Container Platform

In OpenShift Container Platform 4.6, you require access to the Internet to obtain the images that are necessary to install your cluster.

You must have Internet access to:

- Access [OpenShift Cluster Manager](#) to download the installation program and perform subscription management. If the cluster has internet access and you do not disable Telemetry, that service automatically entitles your cluster.
- Access [Quay.io](#) to obtain the packages that are required to install your cluster.
- Obtain the packages that are required to perform cluster updates.



IMPORTANT

If your cluster cannot have direct Internet access, you can perform a restricted network installation on some types of infrastructure that you provision. During that process, you download the content that is required and use it to populate a mirror registry with the packages that you need to install a cluster and generate the installation program. With some installation types, the environment that you install your cluster in will not require Internet access. Before you update the cluster, you update the content of the mirror registry.

1.2.3. Machine requirements for a cluster with user-provisioned infrastructure

For a cluster that contains user-provisioned infrastructure, you must deploy all of the required machines.

1.2.3.1. Required machines

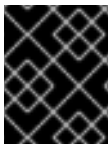
The smallest OpenShift Container Platform clusters require the following hosts:

- One temporary bootstrap machine
- Three control plane, or master, machines
- At least two compute machines, which are also known as worker machines.



NOTE

The cluster requires the bootstrap machine to deploy the OpenShift Container Platform cluster on the three control plane machines. You can remove the bootstrap machine after you install the cluster.



IMPORTANT

To maintain high availability of your cluster, use separate physical hosts for these cluster machines.

The bootstrap and control plane machines must use Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) as the operating system. However, the compute machines can choose between Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) or Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 7.9.

Note that RHCOS is based on Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 8 and inherits all of its hardware certifications and requirements. See [Red Hat Enterprise Linux technology capabilities and limits](#) .

1.2.3.2. Network connectivity requirements

All the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines require network in **initramfs** during boot to fetch Ignition config files from the Machine Config Server. During the initial boot, the machines require either a DHCP server or that static IP addresses be set in order to establish a network connection to download their Ignition config files. Additionally, each OpenShift Container Platform node in the cluster must have access to a Network Time Protocol (NTP) server. If a DHCP server provides NTP servers information, the chrony time service on the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines read the information and can sync the clock with the NTP servers.

1.2.3.3. Minimum resource requirements

Each cluster machine must meet the following minimum requirements:

Machine	Operating System	vCPU [1]	Virtual RAM	Storage	IOPS [2]
Bootstrap	RHCOS	2	16 GB	100 GB	300
Control plane	RHCOS	2	16 GB	100 GB	300
Compute	RHCOS	2	8 GB	100 GB	300

1. One vCPU is equivalent to one physical core when simultaneous multithreading (SMT), or hyperthreading, is not enabled. When enabled, use the following formula to calculate the corresponding ratio: (threads per core × cores) × sockets = vCPUs.
2. OpenShift Container Platform and Kubernetes are sensitive to disk performance, and faster storage is recommended, particularly for etcd on the control plane nodes which require a 10 ms p99 fsync duration. Note that on many cloud platforms, storage size and IOPS scale together, so you might need to over-allocate storage volume to obtain sufficient performance.

1.2.3.4. Certificate signing requests management

Because your cluster has limited access to automatic machine management when you use infrastructure that you provision, you must provide a mechanism for approving cluster certificate signing requests (CSRs) after installation. The **kube-controller-manager** only approves the kubelet client CSRs. The **machine-approver** cannot guarantee the validity of a serving certificate that is requested by using kubelet credentials because it cannot confirm that the correct machine issued the request. You must determine and implement a method of verifying the validity of the kubelet serving certificate requests and approving them.

1.2.4. Creating the user-provisioned infrastructure

Before you deploy an OpenShift Container Platform cluster that uses user-provisioned infrastructure, you must create the underlying infrastructure.

Prerequisites

- Review the [OpenShift Container Platform 4.x Tested Integrations](#) page before you create the supporting infrastructure for your cluster.

Procedure

1. Configure DHCP or set static IP addresses on each node.
2. Provision the required load balancers.
3. Configure the ports for your machines.
4. Configure DNS.
5. Ensure network connectivity.

1.2.4.1. Networking requirements for user-provisioned infrastructure

All the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines require network in **initramfs** during boot to fetch Ignition config from the machine config server.

During the initial boot, the machines require either a DHCP server or that static IP addresses be set on each host in the cluster in order to establish a network connection, which allows them to download their Ignition config files.

It is recommended to use the DHCP server to manage the machines for the cluster long-term. Ensure that the DHCP server is configured to provide persistent IP addresses and host names to the cluster machines.

The Kubernetes API server must be able to resolve the node names of the cluster machines. If the API servers and worker nodes are in different zones, you can configure a default DNS search zone to allow the API server to resolve the node names. Another supported approach is to always refer to hosts by their fully-qualified domain names in both the node objects and all DNS requests.

You must configure the network connectivity between machines to allow cluster components to communicate. Each machine must be able to resolve the host names of all other machines in the cluster.

Table 1.7. All machines to all machines

Protocol	Port	Description
ICMP	N/A	Network reachability tests
TCP	1936	Metrics
	9000-9999	Host level services, including the node exporter on ports 9100-9101 and the Cluster Version Operator on port 9099 .
	10250-10259	The default ports that Kubernetes reserves
	10256	openshift-sdn
UDP	4789	VXLAN and Geneve
	6081	VXLAN and Geneve
	9000-9999	Host level services, including the node exporter on ports 9100-9101 .
TCP/UDP	30000-32767	Kubernetes node port

Table 1.8. All machines to control plane

Protocol	Port	Description
TCP	6443	Kubernetes API

Table 1.9. Control plane machines to control plane machines

Protocol	Port	Description
TCP	2379-2380	etcd server and peer ports

Network topology requirements

The infrastructure that you provision for your cluster must meet the following network topology requirements.

Load balancers

Before you install OpenShift Container Platform, you must provision two load balancers that meet the following requirements:

1. **API load balancer.** Provides a common endpoint for users, both human and machine, to interact with and configure the platform. Configure the following conditions:
 - Layer 4 load balancing only. This can be referred to as Raw TCP, SSL Passthrough, or SSL Bridge mode. If you use SSL Bridge mode, you must enable Server Name Indication (SNI) for the API routes.
 - A stateless load balancing algorithm. The options vary based on the load balancer implementation.



IMPORTANT

Do not configure session persistence for an API load balancer.

Configure the following ports on both the front and back of the load balancers:

Table 1.10. API load balancer

Port	Back-end machines (pool members)	Internal	External	Description
6443	Bootstrap and control plane. You remove the bootstrap machine from the load balancer after the bootstrap machine initializes the cluster control plane. You must configure the /readyz endpoint for the API server health check probe.	X	X	Kubernetes API server
22623	Bootstrap and control plane. You remove the bootstrap machine from the load balancer after the bootstrap machine initializes the cluster control plane.	X		Machine config server

**NOTE**

The load balancer must be configured to take a maximum of 30 seconds from the time the API server turns off the **/readyz** endpoint to the removal of the API server instance from the pool. Within the time frame after **/readyz** returns an error or becomes healthy, the endpoint must have been removed or added. Probing every 5 or 10 seconds, with two successful requests to become healthy and three to become unhealthy, are well-tested values.

2. **Application Ingress load balancer.** Provides an Ingress point for application traffic flowing in from outside the cluster. Configure the following conditions:

- Layer 4 load balancing only. This can be referred to as Raw TCP, SSL Passthrough, or SSL Bridge mode. If you use SSL Bridge mode, you must enable Server Name Indication (SNI) for the Ingress routes.
- A connection-based or session-based persistence is recommended, based on the options available and types of applications that will be hosted on the platform.

Configure the following ports on both the front and back of the load balancers:

Table 1.11. Application Ingress load balancer

Port	Back-end machines (pool members)	Internal	External	Description
443	The machines that run the Ingress router pods, compute, or worker, by default.	X	X	HTTPS traffic
80	The machines that run the Ingress router pods, compute, or worker, by default.	X	X	HTTP traffic

TIP

If the true IP address of the client can be seen by the load balancer, enabling source IP-based session persistence can improve performance for applications that use end-to-end TLS encryption.

**NOTE**

A working configuration for the Ingress router is required for an OpenShift Container Platform cluster. You must configure the Ingress router after the control plane initializes.

NTP configuration

OpenShift Container Platform clusters are configured to use a public Network Time Protocol (NTP) server by default. If you want to use a local enterprise NTP server, or if your cluster is being deployed in a disconnected network, you can configure the cluster to use a specific time server. For more information, see the documentation for *Configuring chrony time service*.

If a DHCP server provides NTP server information, the chrony time service on the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines read the information and can sync the clock with the NTP servers.
.:restricted:

Additional resources

Additional resources

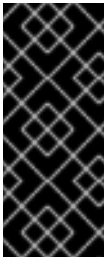
- [Configuring chrony time service](#)

1.2.4.2. User-provisioned DNS requirements

DNS is used for name resolution and reverse name resolution. DNS A/AAAA or CNAME records are used for name resolution and PTR records are used for reverse name resolution. The reverse records are important because Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) uses the reverse records to set the host name for all the nodes. Additionally, the reverse records are used to generate the certificate signing requests (CSR) that OpenShift Container Platform needs to operate.

The following DNS records are required for an OpenShift Container Platform cluster that uses user-provisioned infrastructure. In each record, **<cluster_name>** is the cluster name and **<base_domain>** is the cluster base domain that you specify in the **install-config.yaml** file. A complete DNS record takes the form: **<component>.<cluster_name>.<base_domain>..**

Table 1.12. Required DNS records

Component	Record	Description
Kubernetes API	api.<cluster_name>.<base_domain>.	Add a DNS A/AAAA or CNAME record, and a DNS PTR record, to identify the load balancer for the control plane machines. These records must be resolvable by both clients external to the cluster and from all the nodes within the cluster.
	api-int.<cluster_name>.<base_domain>.	Add a DNS A/AAAA or CNAME record, and a DNS PTR record, to identify the load balancer for the control plane machines. These records must be resolvable from all the nodes within the cluster.
		 <p>IMPORTANT</p> <p>The API server must be able to resolve the worker nodes by the host names that are recorded in Kubernetes. If the API server cannot resolve the node names, then proxied API calls can fail, and you cannot retrieve logs from pods.</p>
Routes	*.apps.<cluster_name>.<base_domain>.	Add a wildcard DNS A/AAAA or CNAME record that refers to the load balancer that targets the machines that run the Ingress router pods, which are the worker nodes by default. These records must be resolvable by both clients external to the cluster and from all the nodes within the cluster.
Bootstrap	bootstrap.<cluster_name>.<base_domain>.	Add a DNS A/AAAA or CNAME record, and a DNS PTR record, to identify the bootstrap machine. These records must be resolvable by the nodes within the cluster.

Component	Record	Description
Master hosts	<master><n>. <cluster_name>. <base_domain>.	DNS A/AAAA or CNAME records and DNS PTR records to identify each machine for the control plane nodes (also known as the master nodes). These records must be resolvable by the nodes within the cluster.
Worker hosts	<worker><n>. <cluster_name>. <base_domain>.	Add DNS A/AAAA or CNAME records and DNS PTR records to identify each machine for the worker nodes. These records must be resolvable by the nodes within the cluster.

TIP

You can use the **nslookup <hostname>** command to verify name resolution. You can use the **dig -x <ip_address>** command to verify reverse name resolution for the PTR records.

The following example of a BIND zone file shows sample A records for name resolution. The purpose of the example is to show the records that are needed. The example is not meant to provide advice for choosing one name resolution service over another.

Example 1.3. Sample DNS zone database

```
$TTL 1W
@ IN SOA ns1.example.com. root (
  2019070700 ; serial
  3H ; refresh (3 hours)
  30M ; retry (30 minutes)
  2W ; expiry (2 weeks)
  1W ) ; minimum (1 week)
IN NS ns1.example.com.
IN MX 10 smtp.example.com.
;
;
;
ns1 IN A 192.168.1.5
smtp IN A 192.168.1.5
;
helper IN A 192.168.1.5
helper.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.5
;
; The api identifies the IP of your load balancer.
api.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.5
api-int.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.5
;
; The wildcard also identifies the load balancer.
*.apps.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.5
;
; Create an entry for the bootstrap host.
bootstrap.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.96
;
; Create entries for the master hosts.
master0.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.97
```

```

master1.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.98
master2.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.99
;
; Create entries for the worker hosts.
worker0.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.11
worker1.ocp4 IN A 192.168.1.7
;
;EOF

```

The following example BIND zone file shows sample PTR records for reverse name resolution.

Example 1.4. Sample DNS zone database for reverse records

```

$TTL 1W
@ IN SOA ns1.example.com. root (
    2019070700 ; serial
    3H ; refresh (3 hours)
    30M ; retry (30 minutes)
    2W ; expiry (2 weeks)
    1W ) ; minimum (1 week)
IN NS ns1.example.com.
;
; The syntax is "last octet" and the host must have an FQDN
; with a trailing dot.
97 IN PTR master0.ocp4.example.com.
98 IN PTR master1.ocp4.example.com.
99 IN PTR master2.ocp4.example.com.
;
96 IN PTR bootstrap.ocp4.example.com.
;
5 IN PTR api.ocp4.example.com.
5 IN PTR api-int.ocp4.example.com.
;
11 IN PTR worker0.ocp4.example.com.
7 IN PTR worker1.ocp4.example.com.
;
;EOF

```

1.2.5. Generating an SSH private key and adding it to the agent

If you want to perform installation debugging or disaster recovery on your cluster, you must provide an SSH key to both your **ssh-agent** and the installation program. You can use this key to access the bootstrap machine in a public cluster to troubleshoot installation issues.



NOTE

In a production environment, you require disaster recovery and debugging.

You can use this key to SSH into the master nodes as the user **core**. When you deploy the cluster, the key is added to the **core** user's `~/.ssh/authorized_keys` list.

**NOTE**

You must use a local key, not one that you configured with platform-specific approaches such as [AWS key pairs](#).

Procedure

1. If you do not have an SSH key that is configured for password-less authentication on your computer, create one. For example, on a computer that uses a Linux operating system, run the following command:

```
$ ssh-keygen -t ed25519 -N "" \
-f <path>/<file_name> 1
```

- 1 Specify the path and file name, such as `~/.ssh/id_rsa`, of the new SSH key. If you have an existing key pair, ensure your public key is in the your `~/.ssh` directory.

Running this command generates an SSH key that does not require a password in the location that you specified.

**NOTE**

If you plan to install an OpenShift Container Platform cluster that uses FIPS Validated / Modules in Process cryptographic libraries on the **x86_64** architecture, do not create a key that uses the **ed25519** algorithm. Instead, create a key that uses the **rsa** or **ecdsa** algorithm.

2. Start the **ssh-agent** process as a background task:

```
$ eval "$(ssh-agent -s)"
```

Example output

```
Agent pid 31874
```

**NOTE**

If your cluster is in FIPS mode, only use FIPS-compliant algorithms to generate the SSH key. The key must be either RSA or ECDSA.

3. Add your SSH private key to the **ssh-agent**:

```
$ ssh-add <path>/<file_name> 1
```

Example output

```
Identity added: /home/<you>/<path>/<file_name> (<computer_name>)
```

- 1 Specify the path and file name for your SSH private key, such as `~/.ssh/id_rsa`

Next steps

- When you install OpenShift Container Platform, provide the SSH public key to the installation program.

1.2.6. Manually creating the installation configuration file

For installations of OpenShift Container Platform that use user-provisioned infrastructure, you manually generate your installation configuration file.

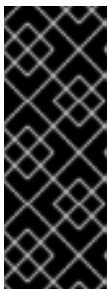
Prerequisites

- Obtain the OpenShift Container Platform installation program and the access token for your cluster.
- Obtain the **imageContentSources** section from the output of the command to mirror the repository.
- Obtain the contents of the certificate for your mirror registry.

Procedure

1. Create an installation directory to store your required installation assets in:

```
$ mkdir <installation_directory>
```



IMPORTANT

You must create a directory. Some installation assets, like bootstrap X.509 certificates have short expiration intervals, so you must not reuse an installation directory. If you want to reuse individual files from another cluster installation, you can copy them into your directory. However, the file names for the installation assets might change between releases. Use caution when copying installation files from an earlier OpenShift Container Platform version.

2. Customize the following **install-config.yaml** file template and save it in the **<installation_directory>**.



NOTE

You must name this configuration file **install-config.yaml**.

- Unless you use a registry that RHCOS trusts by default, such as **docker.io**, you must provide the contents of the certificate for your mirror repository in the **additionalTrustBundle** section. In most cases, you must provide the certificate for your mirror.
 - You must include the **imageContentSources** section from the output of the command to mirror the repository.
3. Back up the **install-config.yaml** file so that you can use it to install multiple clusters.

The **controlPlane** section is a single mapping, but the **compute** section is a sequence of mappings. To meet the requirements of the different data structures, the first line of the **compute** section must begin with a hyphen, -, and the first line of the **controlPlane** section must not. Only one control plane pool is used.

- 3 6** Whether to enable or disable simultaneous multithreading (SMT), or **hyperthreading**. By default, SMT is enabled to increase the performance of your machines' cores. You can disable it by setting the parameter value to **Disabled**. If you disable SMT, you must disable it in all cluster machines; this includes both control plane and compute machines.



NOTE

Simultaneous multithreading (SMT) is enabled by default. If SMT is not enabled in your BIOS settings, the **hyperthreading** parameter has no effect.



IMPORTANT

If you disable **hyperthreading**, whether in the BIOS or in the **install-config.yaml**, ensure that your capacity planning accounts for the dramatically decreased machine performance.

- 4** You must set the value of the **replicas** parameter to **0**. This parameter controls the number of workers that the cluster creates and manages for you, which are functions that the cluster does not perform when you use user-provisioned infrastructure. You must manually deploy worker machines for the cluster to use before you finish installing OpenShift Container Platform.
- 7** The number of control plane machines that you add to the cluster. Because the cluster uses this values as the number of etcd endpoints in the cluster, the value must match the number of control plane machines that you deploy.
- 8** The cluster name that you specified in your DNS records.
- 9** A block of IP addresses from which pod IP addresses are allocated. This block must not overlap with existing physical networks. These IP addresses are used for the pod network. If you need to access the pods from an external network, you must configure load balancers and routers to manage the traffic.



NOTE

Class E CIDR range is reserved for a future use. To use the Class E CIDR range, you must ensure your networking environment accepts the IP addresses within the Class E CIDR range.

- 10** The subnet prefix length to assign to each individual node. For example, if **hostPrefix** is set to **23**, then each node is assigned a **/23** subnet out of the given **cidr**, which allows for 510 ($2^{(32 - 23)} - 2$) pod IPs addresses. If you are required to provide access to nodes from an external network, configure load balancers and routers to manage the traffic.
- 11** The IP address pool to use for service IP addresses. You can enter only one IP address pool. This block must not overlap with existing physical networks. If you need to access the services from an external network, configure load balancers and routers to manage the traffic.
- 12** You must set the platform to **none**. You cannot provide additional platform configuration variables for IBM Power Systems infrastructure.

- 13 Whether to enable or disable FIPS mode. By default, FIPS mode is not enabled. If FIPS mode is enabled, the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines that OpenShift Container



IMPORTANT

The use of FIPS Validated / Modules in Process cryptographic libraries is only supported on OpenShift Container Platform deployments on the **x86_64** architecture.

- 14 For **<local_registry>**, specify the registry domain name, and optionally the port, that your mirror registry uses to serve content. For example **registry.example.com** or **registry.example.com:5000**. For **<credentials>**, specify the base64-encoded user name and password for your mirror registry.

- 15 The public portion of the default SSH key for the **core** user in Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS).



NOTE

For production OpenShift Container Platform clusters on which you want to perform installation debugging or disaster recovery, specify an SSH key that your **ssh-agent** process uses.

- 16 Provide the contents of the certificate file that you used for your mirror registry.

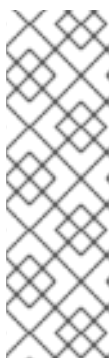
- 17 Provide the **imageContentSources** section from the output of the command to mirror the repository.

1.2.6.2. Configuring the cluster-wide proxy during installation

Production environments can deny direct access to the Internet and instead have an HTTP or HTTPS proxy available. You can configure a new OpenShift Container Platform cluster to use a proxy by configuring the proxy settings in the **install-config.yaml** file.

Prerequisites

- You have an existing **install-config.yaml** file.
- You reviewed the sites that your cluster requires access to and determined whether any of them need to bypass the proxy. By default, all cluster egress traffic is proxied, including calls to hosting cloud provider APIs. You added sites to the **Proxy** object's **spec.noProxy** field to bypass the proxy if necessary.



NOTE

The **Proxy** object **status.noProxy** field is populated with the values of the **networking.machineNetwork[].cidr**, **networking.clusterNetwork[].cidr**, and **networking.serviceNetwork[]** fields from your installation configuration.

For installations on Amazon Web Services (AWS), Google Cloud Platform (GCP), Microsoft Azure, and Red Hat OpenStack Platform (RHOSP), the **Proxy** object **status.noProxy** field is also populated with the instance metadata endpoint (**169.254.169.254**).

Procedure

1. Edit your **install-config.yaml** file and add the proxy settings. For example:

```

apiVersion: v1
baseDomain: my.domain.com
proxy:
  httpProxy: http://<username>:<pswd>@<ip>:<port> 1
  httpsProxy: https://<username>:<pswd>@<ip>:<port> 2
  noProxy: example.com 3
additionalTrustBundle: | 4
  -----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
  <MY_TRUSTED_CA_CERT>
  -----END CERTIFICATE-----
...

```

- 1 A proxy URL to use for creating HTTP connections outside the cluster. The URL scheme must be **http**.
- 2 A proxy URL to use for creating HTTPS connections outside the cluster.
- 3 A comma-separated list of destination domain names, IP addresses, or other network CIDRs to exclude from proxying. Preface a domain with **.** to match subdomains only. For example, **.y.com** matches **x.y.com**, but not **y.com**. Use ***** to bypass the proxy for all destinations.
- 4 If provided, the installation program generates a config map that is named **user-ca-bundle** in the **openshift-config** namespace to hold the additional CA certificates. If you provide **additionalTrustBundle** and at least one proxy setting, the **Proxy** object is configured to reference the **user-ca-bundle** config map in the **trustedCA** field. The Cluster Network Operator then creates a **trusted-ca-bundle** config map that merges the contents specified for the **trustedCA** parameter with the RHCOS trust bundle. The **additionalTrustBundle** field is required unless the proxy's identity certificate is signed by an authority from the RHCOS trust bundle.



NOTE

The installation program does not support the proxy **readinessEndpoints** field.

2. Save the file and reference it when installing OpenShift Container Platform.

The installation program creates a cluster-wide proxy that is named **cluster** that uses the proxy settings in the provided **install-config.yaml** file. If no proxy settings are provided, a **cluster Proxy** object is still created, but it will have a nil **spec**.



NOTE

Only the **Proxy** object named **cluster** is supported, and no additional proxies can be created.

1.2.7. Creating the Kubernetes manifest and Ignition config files

Because you must modify some cluster definition files and manually start the cluster machines, you must generate the Kubernetes manifest and Ignition config files that the cluster needs to make its machines.

The installation configuration file transforms into the Kubernetes manifests. The manifests wrap into the Ignition configuration files, which are later used to create the cluster.



IMPORTANT

- The Ignition config files that the installation program generates contain certificates that expire after 24 hours, which are then renewed at that time. If the cluster is shut down before renewing the certificates and the cluster is later restarted after the 24 hours have elapsed, the cluster automatically recovers the expired certificates. The exception is that you must manually approve the pending **node-bootstrapper** certificate signing requests (CSRs) to recover kubelet certificates. See the documentation for *Recovering from expired control plane certificates* for more information.
- It is recommended that you use Ignition config files within 12 hours after they are generated because the 24-hour certificate rotates from 16 to 22 hours after the cluster is installed. By using the Ignition config files within 12 hours, you can avoid installation failure if the certificate update runs during installation.

Prerequisites

- You obtained the OpenShift Container Platform installation program. For a restricted network installation, these files are on your mirror host.
- You created the **install-config.yaml** installation configuration file.

Procedure

1. Change to the directory that contains the installation program and generate the Kubernetes manifests for the cluster:

```
$ ./openshift-install create manifests --dir <installation_directory> 1
```

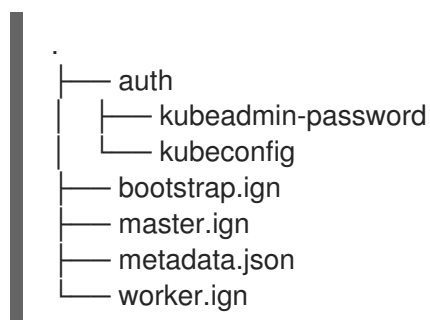
- 1 For **<installation_directory>**, specify the installation directory that contains the **install-config.yaml** file you created.

2. Check that the **mastersSchedulable** parameter in the **<installation_directory>/manifests/cluster-scheduler-02-config.yml** Kubernetes manifest file is set to **false**. This setting prevents pods from being scheduled on the control plane machines:
 - a. Open the **<installation_directory>/manifests/cluster-scheduler-02-config.yml** file.
 - b. Locate the **mastersSchedulable** parameter and ensure that it is set to **false**.
 - c. Save and exit the file.
3. To create the Ignition configuration files, run the following command from the directory that contains the installation program:

```
$ ./openshift-install create ignition-configs --dir <installation_directory> 1
```

- 1 For `<installation_directory>`, specify the same installation directory.

The following files are generated in the directory:



1.2.8. Creating Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines

Before you install a cluster on IBM Power Systems infrastructure that you provision, you must create RHCOS machines for it to use. Follow either the steps to use an ISO image or network PXE booting to create the machines.

1.2.8.1. Creating Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines using an ISO image

Before you install a cluster on IBM Power Systems infrastructure that you provision, you must create RHCOS machines for it to use. You can use an ISO image to create the machines.

Prerequisites

- Obtain the Ignition config files for your cluster.
- Have access to an HTTP server that can be accessed from your computer, and from the machines that you create.

Procedure

1. Upload the control plane, compute, and bootstrap Ignition config files that the installation program created to your HTTP server. Note the URLs of these files.



IMPORTANT

If you plan to add more compute machines to your cluster after you finish installation, do not delete these files.

2. Obtain the RHCOS images that are required for your preferred method of installing operating system instances from the [RHCOS image mirror](#) page.



IMPORTANT

The RHCOS images might not change with every release of OpenShift Container Platform. You must download images with the highest version that is less than or equal to the OpenShift Container Platform version that you install. Use the image versions that match your OpenShift Container Platform version if they are available. Use only ISO images for this procedure. RHCOS qcow2 images are not supported for this installation type.

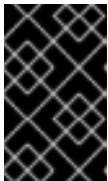
ISO file names resemble the following example:

rhcos-<version>-live.<architecture>.iso

3. Use the ISO to start the RHCOS installation. Use one of the following installation options:
 - Burn the ISO image to a disk and boot it directly.
 - Use ISO redirection via a LOM interface.
4. Boot the ISO image. You can interrupt the installation boot process to add kernel arguments. However, for this ISO procedure you should use the **coreos-installer** command instead of adding kernel arguments. If you run the live installer without options or interruption, the installer boots up to a shell prompt on the live system, ready for you to install RHCOS to disk.
5. Review the *Advanced RHCOS installation reference* section for different ways of configuring features, such as networking and disk partitions, before running the **coreos-installer**.
6. Run the **coreos-installer** command. At a minimum, you must identify the Ignition config file location for your node type, and the location of the disk you are installing to. Here is an example:

```
$ sudo coreos-installer install \
  --ignition-url=https://host/worker.ign /dev/sda
```

7. After RHCOS installs, the system reboots. During the system reboot, it applies the Ignition config file that you specified.
8. Continue to create the other machines for your cluster.



IMPORTANT

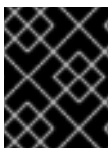
You must create the bootstrap and control plane machines at this time. If the control plane machines are not made schedulable, which is the default, also create at least two compute machines before you install the cluster.

1.2.8.1.1. Advanced RHCOS installation reference

This section illustrates the networking configuration and other advanced options that allow you to modify the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) manual installation process. The following tables describe the kernel arguments and command-line options you can use with the RHCOS live installer and the **coreos-installer** command.

Routing and bonding options at RHCOS boot prompt

If you install RHCOS from an ISO image, you can add kernel arguments manually when you boot that image to configure the node's networking. If no networking arguments are used, the installation defaults to using DHCP.



IMPORTANT

When adding networking arguments, you must also add the **rd.neednet=1** kernel argument.

The following table describes how to use **ip=**, **nameserver=**, and **bond=** kernel arguments for live ISO installs.

**NOTE**


Ordering is important when adding kernel arguments: **ip=**, **nameserver=**, and then **bond=**.

Routing and bonding options for ISO

The following table provides examples for configuring networking of your Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) nodes. These are networking options that are passed to the **dracut** tool during system boot. For more information about the networking options supported by **dracut**, see the **dracut.cmdline** manual page.

Description	Examples
<p>To configure an IP address, either use DHCP (ip=dhcp) or set an individual static IP address (ip=<host_ip>). Then identify the DNS server IP address (nameserver=<dns_ip>) on each node. This example sets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The node's IP address to 10.10.10.2 • The gateway address to 10.10.10.254 • The netmask to 255.255.255.0 • The hostname to core0.example.com • The DNS server address to 4.4.4.41 	<pre>ip=10.10.10.2::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:co re0.example.com:enp1s0:none nameserver=4.4.4.41</pre>
<p>Specify multiple network interfaces by specifying multiple ip= entries.</p>	<pre>ip=10.10.10.2::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:co re0.example.com:enp1s0:none ip=10.10.10.3::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:co re0.example.com:enp2s0:none</pre>
<p>Optional: You can configure routes to additional networks by setting an rd.route= value.</p> <p>If the additional network gateway is different from the primary network gateway, the default gateway must be the primary network gateway.</p>	<p>To configure the default gateway:</p> <pre>ip=::10.10.10.254:::</pre> <p>To configure the route for the additional network:</p> <pre>rd.route=20.20.20.0/24:20.20.20.254:enp2s0</pre>
<p>Disable DHCP on a single interface, such as when there are two or more network interfaces and only one interface is being used.</p>	<pre>ip=10.10.10.2::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:co re0.example.com:enp1s0:none ip=:::core0.example.com:enp2s0:none</pre>

Description	Examples
<p>You can combine DHCP and static IP configurations on systems with multiple network interfaces.</p>	<pre>ip=enp1s0:dhcp ip=10.10.10.2::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:co re0.example.com:enp2s0:none</pre>
<p>Optional: You can configure VLANs on individual interfaces by using the vlan= parameter.</p>	<p>To configure a VLAN on a network interface and use a static IP address:</p> <pre>ip=10.10.10.2::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:co re0.example.com:enp2s0.100:none vlan=enp2s0.100:enp2s0</pre> <p>To configure a VLAN on a network interface and to use DHCP:</p> <pre>ip=enp2s0.100:dhcp vlan=enp2s0.100:enp2s0</pre>
<p>You can provide multiple DNS servers by adding a nameserver= entry for each server.</p>	<pre>nameserver=1.1.1.1 nameserver=8.8.8.8</pre>
<p>Optional: Bonding multiple network interfaces to a single interface is supported using the bond= option. In these two examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The syntax for configuring a bonded interface is: bond=name[:network_interfaces] [:options] <i>name</i> is the bonding device name (bond0), <i>network_interfaces</i> represents a comma-separated list of physical (ethernet) interfaces (em1,em2), and <i>options</i> is a comma-separated list of bonding options. Enter modinfo bonding to see available options. When you create a bonded interface using bond=, you must specify how the IP address is assigned and other information for the bonded interface. 	<p>To configure the bonded interface to use DHCP, set the bond's IP address to dhcp. For example:</p> <pre>bond=bond0:em1,em2:mode=active-backup ip=bond0:dhcp</pre> <p>To configure the bonded interface to use a static IP address, enter the specific IP address you want and related information. For example:</p> <pre>bond=bond0:em1,em2:mode=active-backup ip=10.10.10.2::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:co re0.example.com:bond0:none</pre>

Description	Examples
<p>Optional: You can configure VLANs on bonded interfaces by using the vlan= parameter.</p>	<p>To configure the bonded interface with a VLAN and to use DHCP:</p> <pre data-bbox="817 315 1417 443">ip=bond0.100:dhcp bond=bond0:em1,em2:mode=active-backup vlan=bond0.100:bond0</pre> <p>To configure the bonded interface with a VLAN and to use a static IP address:</p> <pre data-bbox="817 584 1439 734">ip=10.10.10.2::10.10.10.254:255.255.255.0:core0.example.com:bond0.100:none bond=bond0:em1,em2:mode=active-backup vlan=bond0.100:bond0</pre>
<p>Optional: Network teaming can be used as an alternative to bonding by using the team= parameter. In this example:</p> <ul data-bbox="225 936 767 1122" style="list-style-type: none"> • The syntax for configuring a team interface is: team=name[:network_interfaces] <i>name</i> is the team device name (team0) and <i>network_interfaces</i> represents a comma-separated list of physical (ethernet) interfaces (em1, em2). <div data-bbox="161 1167 272 1395">  </div> <p data-bbox="347 1171 440 1205">NOTE</p> <p data-bbox="347 1238 775 1395">Teaming is planned to be deprecated when RHCOS switches to an upcoming version of RHEL. For more information, see this Red Hat Knowledgebase Article.</p>	<p>To configure a network team:</p> <pre data-bbox="817 875 1145 947">team=team0:em1,em2 ip=team0:dhcp</pre>

1.2.8.2. Creating Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines by PXE or iPXE booting

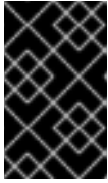
Before you install a cluster that uses manually-provisioned RHCOS nodes, such as bare metal, you must create RHCOS machines for it to use. You can use PXE or iPXE booting to create the machines.

Prerequisites

- Obtain the Ignition config files for your cluster.
- Configure suitable PXE or iPXE infrastructure.
- Have access to an HTTP server that you can access from your computer.

Procedure

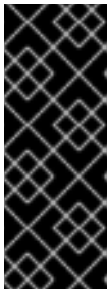
1. Upload the master, worker, and bootstrap Ignition config files that the installation program created to your HTTP server. Note the URLs of these files.



IMPORTANT

You can add or change configuration settings in your Ignition configs before saving them to your HTTP server. If you plan to add more compute machines to your cluster after you finish installation, do not delete these files.

2. Obtain the RHCOS **kernel**, **initramfs** and **rootfs** files from the [RHCOS image mirror](#) page.



IMPORTANT

The RHCOS artifacts might not change with every release of OpenShift Container Platform. You must download artifacts with the highest version that is less than or equal to the OpenShift Container Platform version that you install. Only use the appropriate **kernel**, **initramfs**, and **rootfs** artifacts described below for this procedure. RHCOS qcow2 images are not supported for this installation type.

The file names contain the OpenShift Container Platform version number. They resemble the following examples:

- **kernel:** `rhcos-<version>-live-kernel-<architecture>`
- **initramfs:** `rhcos-<version>-live-initramfs.<architecture>.img`
- **rootfs:** `rhcos-<version>-live-rootfs.<architecture>.img`

3. Upload the additional files that are required for your booting method:

- For traditional PXE, upload the **kernel** and **initramfs** files to your TFTP server and the **rootfs** file to your HTTP server.
- For iPXE, upload the **kernel**, **initramfs**, and **rootfs** files to your HTTP server.



IMPORTANT

If you plan to add more compute machines to your cluster after you finish installation, do not delete these files.

4. Configure the network boot infrastructure so that the machines boot from their local disks after RHCOS is installed on them.
5. Configure PXE or iPXE installation for the RHCOS images.
Modify one of the following example menu entries for your environment and verify that the image and Ignition files are properly accessible:

- For PXE:

```

DEFAULT pxeboot
TIMEOUT 20
PROMPT 0
LABEL pxeboot
  KERNEL http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-kernel-<architecture> 1

```

```
APPEND initrd=http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-initramfs.
<architecture>.img coreos.live.rootfs_url=http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-
rootfs.<architecture>.img coreos.inst.install_dev=/dev/sda
coreos.inst.ignition_url=http://<HTTP_server>/bootstrap.ign
```

- 1 Specify the location of the live **kernel** file that you uploaded to your HTTP server. The URL must be HTTP, TFTP, or FTP; HTTPS and NFS are not supported.
- 2 If you use multiple NICs, specify a single interface in the **ip** option. For example, to use DHCP on a NIC that is named **eno1**, set **ip=eno1:dhcp**.
- 3 Specify locations of the RHCOS files that you uploaded to your HTTP server. The **initrd** parameter value is the location of the **initramfs** file, the **coreos.live.rootfs_url** parameter value is the location of the **rootfs** file, and the **coreos.inst.ignition_url** parameter value is the location of the bootstrap Ignition config file. You can also add more kernel arguments to the **APPEND** line to configure networking or other boot options.



NOTE

This configuration does not enable serial console access on machines with a graphical console. To configure a different console, add one or more **console=** arguments to the **APPEND** line. For example, add **console=tty0 console=ttyS0** to set the first PC serial port as the primary console and the graphical console as a secondary console. For more information, see [How does one set up a serial terminal and/or console in Red Hat Enterprise Linux?](#)

- For iPXE:

```
kernel http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-kernel-<architecture> initrd=main
coreos.live.rootfs_url=http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-rootfs.
<architecture>.img coreos.inst.install_dev=/dev/sda
coreos.inst.ignition_url=http://<HTTP_server>/bootstrap.ign
initrd --name main http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-initramfs.
<architecture>.img
boot
```

- 1 Specify locations of the RHCOS files that you uploaded to your HTTP server. The **kernel** parameter value is the location of the **kernel** file, the **initrd=main** argument is needed for booting on UEFI systems, the **coreos.live.rootfs_url** parameter value is the location of the **rootfs** file, and the **coreos.inst.ignition_url** parameter value is the location of the bootstrap Ignition config file.
- 2 If you use multiple NICs, specify a single interface in the **ip** option. For example, to use DHCP on a NIC that is named **eno1**, set **ip=eno1:dhcp**.
- 3 Specify the location of the **initramfs** file that you uploaded to your HTTP server.



NOTE

This configuration does not enable serial console access on machines with a graphical console. To configure a different console, add one or more **console=** arguments to the **kernel** line. For example, add **console=tty0 console=ttyS0** to set the first PC serial port as the primary console and the graphical console as a secondary console. For more information, see [How does one set up a serial terminal and/or console in Red Hat Enterprise Linux?](#)

6. If you use PXE UEFI, perform the following actions:

a. Provide the **shimx64.efi** and **grubx64.efi** EFI binaries and the **grub.cfg** file that are required for booting the system.

- Extract the necessary EFI binaries by mounting the RHCOS ISO to your host and then mounting the **images/efiboot.img** file to your host:

```
$ mkdir -p /mnt/iso
```

```
$ mkdir -p /mnt/efiboot
```

```
$ mount -o loop rhcos-installer.x86_64.iso /mnt/iso
```

```
$ mount -o loop,ro /mnt/iso/images/efiboot.img /mnt/efiboot
```

- From the **efiboot.img** mount point, copy the **EFI/redhat/shimx64.efi** and **EFI/redhat/grubx64.efi** files to your TFTP server:

```
$ cp /mnt/efiboot/EFI/redhat/shimx64.efi .
```

```
$ cp /mnt/efiboot/EFI/redhat/grubx64.efi .
```

```
$ umount /mnt/efiboot
```

```
$ umount /mnt/iso
```

- Copy the **EFI/redhat/grub.cfg** file that is included in the RHCOS ISO to your TFTP server.

b. Edit the **grub.cfg** file to include arguments similar to the following:

```
menuentry 'Install Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS' --class fedora --class gnu-linux --
class gnu --class os {
  linuxefi rhcos-<version>-live-kernel-<architecture> coreos.inst.install_dev=/dev/sda
  coreos.live.rootfs_url=http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-rootfs.
  <architecture>.img coreos.inst.ignition_url=http://<HTTP_server>/bootstrap.ign
  initrdefi rhcos-<version>-live-initramfs.<architecture>.img
}
```

where:

rhcos-<version>-live-kernel-<architecture>

Specifies the **kernel** file that you uploaded to your TFTP server.

http://<HTTP_server>/rhcos-<version>-live-rootfs.<architecture>.img

Specifies the location of the live rootfs image that you uploaded to your HTTP server.

http://<HTTP_server>/bootstrap.ign

Specifies the location of the bootstrap Ignition config file that you uploaded to your HTTP server.

rhcos-<version>-live-initramfs.<architecture>.img

Specifies the location of the **initramfs** file that you uploaded to your TFTP server.

**NOTE**

For more information on how to configure a PXE server for UEFI boot, see the Red Hat Knowledgebase article: [How to configure/setup a PXE server for UEFI boot for Red Hat Enterprise Linux?](#).

7. Continue to create the machines for your cluster.

**IMPORTANT**

You must create the bootstrap and control plane machines at this time. If the control plane machines are not made schedulable, which is the default, also create at least two compute machines before you install the cluster.

1.2.9. Creating the cluster

To create the OpenShift Container Platform cluster, you wait for the bootstrap process to complete on the machines that you provisioned by using the Ignition config files that you generated with the installation program.

Prerequisites

- Create the required infrastructure for the cluster.
- You obtained the installation program and generated the Ignition config files for your cluster.
- You used the Ignition config files to create RHCOS machines for your cluster.

Procedure

1. Monitor the bootstrap process:

```
$ ./openshift-install --dir <installation_directory> wait-for bootstrap-complete \ 1
--log-level=info 2
```

1 For **<installation_directory>**, specify the path to the directory that you stored the installation files in.

2 To view different installation details, specify **warn**, **debug**, or **error** instead of **info**.

Example output

```
INFO Waiting up to 30m0s for the Kubernetes API at https://api.test.example.com:6443...
INFO API v1.19.0 up
INFO Waiting up to 30m0s for bootstrapping to complete...
INFO It is now safe to remove the bootstrap resources
```

The command succeeds when the Kubernetes API server signals that it has been bootstrapped on the control plane machines.

2. After bootstrap process is complete, remove the bootstrap machine from the load balancer.



IMPORTANT

You must remove the bootstrap machine from the load balancer at this point. You can also remove or reformat the machine itself.

1.2.10. Logging in to the cluster by using the CLI

You can log in to your cluster as a default system user by exporting the cluster **kubeconfig** file. The **kubeconfig** file contains information about the cluster that is used by the CLI to connect a client to the correct cluster and API server. The file is specific to a cluster and is created during OpenShift Container Platform installation.

Prerequisites

- You deployed an OpenShift Container Platform cluster.
- You installed the **oc** CLI.

Procedure

1. Export the **kubeadmin** credentials:

```
$ export KUBECONFIG=<installation_directory>/auth/kubeconfig 1
```

- 1** For **<installation_directory>**, specify the path to the directory that you stored the installation files in.

2. Verify you can run **oc** commands successfully using the exported configuration:

```
$ oc whoami
```

Example output

```
system:admin
```

1.2.11. Approving the certificate signing requests for your machines

When you add machines to a cluster, two pending certificate signing requests (CSRs) are generated for each machine that you added. You must confirm that these CSRs are approved or, if necessary, approve them yourself. The client requests must be approved first, followed by the server requests.

Prerequisites

- You added machines to your cluster.

Procedure

1. Confirm that the cluster recognizes the machines:

```
$ oc get nodes
```

Example output

```
NAME      STATUS   ROLES    AGE   VERSION
master-0  Ready    master   63m   v1.19.0
master-1  Ready    master   63m   v1.19.0
master-2  Ready    master   64m   v1.19.0
```

The output lists all of the machines that you created.



NOTE

The preceding output might not include the compute nodes, also known as worker nodes, until some CSRs are approved.

2. Review the pending CSRs and ensure that you see the client requests with the **Pending** or **Approved** status for each machine that you added to the cluster:

```
$ oc get csr
```

Example output

```
NAME      AGE   REQUESTOR                                     CONDITION
csr-8b2br 15m   system:serviceaccount:openshift-machine-config-operator:node-
bootstrapper Pending
csr-8vnps 15m   system:serviceaccount:openshift-machine-config-operator:node-
bootstrapper Pending
...
```

In this example, two machines are joining the cluster. You might see more approved CSRs in the list.

3. If the CSRs were not approved, after all of the pending CSRs for the machines you added are in **Pending** status, approve the CSRs for your cluster machines:

**NOTE**

Because the CSRs rotate automatically, approve your CSRs within an hour of adding the machines to the cluster. If you do not approve them within an hour, the certificates will rotate, and more than two certificates will be present for each node. You must approve all of these certificates. Once the client CSR is approved, the Kubelet creates a secondary CSR for the serving certificate, which requires manual approval. Then, subsequent serving certificate renewal requests are automatically approved by the **machine-approver** if the Kubelet requests a new certificate with identical parameters.

**NOTE**

For clusters running on platforms that are not machine API enabled, such as bare metal and other user-provisioned infrastructure, you must implement a method of automatically approving the kubelet serving certificate requests (CSRs). If a request is not approved, then the **oc exec**, **oc rsh**, and **oc logs** commands cannot succeed, because a serving certificate is required when the API server connects to the kubelet. Any operation that contacts the Kubelet endpoint requires this certificate approval to be in place. The method must watch for new CSRs, confirm that the CSR was submitted by the **node-bootstrap** service account in the **system:node** or **system:admin** groups, and confirm the identity of the node.

- To approve them individually, run the following command for each valid CSR:

```
$ oc adm certificate approve <csr_name> 1
```

- 1** **<csr_name>** is the name of a CSR from the list of current CSRs.

- To approve all pending CSRs, run the following command:

```
$ oc get csr -o go-template='{{range .items}}{{if not .status}}{{.metadata.name}}{"\n"}{{end}}{{end}}' | xargs --no-run-if-empty oc adm certificate approve
```

**NOTE**

Some Operators might not become available until some CSRs are approved.

- Now that your client requests are approved, you must review the server requests for each machine that you added to the cluster:

```
$ oc get csr
```

Example output

```
NAME      AGE   REQUESTOR                                     CONDITION
csr-bfd72 5m26s system:node:ip-10-0-50-126.us-east-2.compute.internal
Pending
csr-c57lv 5m26s system:node:ip-10-0-95-157.us-east-2.compute.internal
Pending
...
```


5. If the remaining CSRs are not approved, and are in the **Pending** status, approve the CSRs for your cluster machines:

- To approve them individually, run the following command for each valid CSR:

```
$ oc adm certificate approve <csr_name> 1
```

1 **<csr_name>** is the name of a CSR from the list of current CSRs.

- To approve all pending CSRs, run the following command:

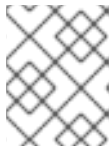
```
$ oc get csr -o go-template='{{range .items}}{{if not .status}}{{.metadata.name}}{\n"}\n{{end}}' | xargs oc adm certificate approve
```

6. After all client and server CSRs have been approved, the machines have the **Ready** status. Verify this by running the following command:

```
$ oc get nodes
```

Example output

```
NAME      STATUS  ROLES  AGE  VERSION
master-0  Ready   master 73m  v1.20.0
master-1  Ready   master 73m  v1.20.0
master-2  Ready   master 74m  v1.20.0
worker-0  Ready   worker 11m  v1.20.0
worker-1  Ready   worker 11m  v1.20.0
```



NOTE

It can take a few minutes after approval of the server CSRs for the machines to transition to the **Ready** status.

Additional information

- For more information on CSRs, see [Certificate Signing Requests](#).

1.2.12. Initial Operator configuration

After the control plane initializes, you must immediately configure some Operators so that they all become available.

Prerequisites

- Your control plane has initialized.

Procedure

1. Watch the cluster components come online:

```
$ watch -n5 oc get clusteroperators
```

Example output

NAME	VERSION AVAILABLE	PROGRESSING	DEGRADED
authentication	4.6.0 True	False	False 3h56m
cloud-credential	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
cluster-autoscaler	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
config-operator	4.6.0 True	False	False 6h39m
console	4.6.0 True	False	False 3h59m
csi-snapshot-controller	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h12m
dns	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h15m
etcd	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
image-registry	4.6.0 True	False	False 3h59m
ingress	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h30m
insights	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
kube-apiserver	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
kube-controller-manager	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
kube-scheduler	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
kube-storage-version-migrator	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h2m
machine-api	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
machine-approver	4.6.0 True	False	False 6h34m
machine-config	4.6.0 True	False	False 3h56m
marketplace	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h2m
monitoring	4.6.0 True	False	False 6h31m
network	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
node-tuning	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h30m
openshift-apiserver	4.6.0 True	False	False 3h56m
openshift-controller-manager	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h36m
openshift-samples	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h30m
operator-lifecycle-manager	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
operator-lifecycle-manager-catalog	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
operator-lifecycle-manager-packageserver	4.6.0 True	False	False 3h59m
service-ca	4.6.0 True	False	False 29h
storage	4.6.0 True	False	False 4h30m

2. Configure the Operators that are not available.

1.2.12.1. Disabling the default OperatorHub sources

Operator catalogs that source content provided by Red Hat and community projects are configured for OperatorHub by default during an OpenShift Container Platform installation. In a restricted network environment, you must disable the default catalogs as a cluster administrator.

Procedure

- Disable the sources for the default catalogs by adding **disableAllDefaultSources: true** to the **OperatorHub** object:

```
$ oc patch OperatorHub cluster --type json \
  -p [{"op": "add", "path": "/spec/disableAllDefaultSources", "value": true}]
```

TIP

Alternatively, you can use the web console to manage catalog sources. From the **Administration** → **Cluster Settings** → **Global Configuration** → **OperatorHub** page, click the **Sources** tab, where you can create, delete, disable, and enable individual sources.

1.2.12.2. Image registry storage configuration

The Image Registry Operator is not initially available for platforms that do not provide default storage. After installation, you must configure your registry to use storage so that the Registry Operator is made available.

Instructions are shown for configuring a persistent volume, which is required for production clusters. Where applicable, instructions are shown for configuring an empty directory as the storage location, which is available for only non-production clusters.

Additional instructions are provided for allowing the image registry to use block storage types by using the **Recreate** rollout strategy during upgrades.

1.2.12.2.1. Changing the image registry's management state

To start the image registry, you must change the Image Registry Operator configuration's **managementState** from **Removed** to **Managed**.

Procedure

- Change **managementState** Image Registry Operator configuration from **Removed** to **Managed**. For example:

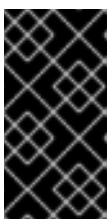
```
$ oc patch configs.imageregistry.operator.openshift.io cluster --type merge --patch '{"spec": {"managementState":"Managed"}}'
```

1.2.12.2.2. Configuring registry storage for IBM Power Systems

As a cluster administrator, following installation you must configure your registry to use storage.

Prerequisites

- Cluster administrator permissions.
- A cluster on IBM Power Systems.
- Persistent storage provisioned for your cluster, such as Red Hat OpenShift Container Storage.

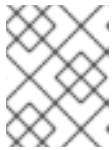
**IMPORTANT**

OpenShift Container Platform supports **ReadWriteOnce** access for image registry storage when you have only one replica. To deploy an image registry that supports high availability with two or more replicas, **ReadWriteMany** access is required.

- Must have 100Gi capacity.

Procedure

1. To configure your registry to use storage, change the **spec.storage.pvc** in the **configs.imageregistry/cluster** resource.

**NOTE**

When using shared storage, review your security settings to prevent outside access.

2. Verify that you do not have a registry pod:

```
$ oc get pod -n openshift-image-registry
```

**NOTE**

If the storage type is **emptyDIR**, the replica number cannot be greater than **1**.

3. Check the registry configuration:

```
$ oc edit configs.imageregistry.operator.openshift.io
```

Example output

```
storage:
  pvc:
    claim:
```

Leave the **claim** field blank to allow the automatic creation of an **image-registry-storage** PVC.

4. Check the **clusteroperator** status:

```
$ oc get clusteroperator image-registry
```

5. Ensure that your registry is set to managed to enable building and pushing of images.

- Run:

```
$ oc edit configs.imageregistry/cluster
```

Then, change the line

```
managementState: Removed
```

to

```
managementState: Managed
```

1.2.12.2.3. Configuring storage for the image registry in non-production clusters

You must configure storage for the Image Registry Operator. For non-production clusters, you can set the image registry to an empty directory. If you do so, all images are lost if you restart the registry.

Procedure

- To set the image registry storage to an empty directory:

```
$ oc patch configs.imageregistry.operator.openshift.io cluster --type merge --patch '{"spec": {"storage":{"emptyDir":{}}}'
```



WARNING

Configure this option for only non-production clusters.

If you run this command before the Image Registry Operator initializes its components, the **oc patch** command fails with the following error:

```
Error from server (NotFound): configs.imageregistry.operator.openshift.io "cluster" not found
```

Wait a few minutes and run the command again.

1.2.13. Completing installation on user-provisioned infrastructure

After you complete the Operator configuration, you can finish installing the cluster on infrastructure that you provide.

Prerequisites

- Your control plane has initialized.
- You have completed the initial Operator configuration.

Procedure

- Confirm that all the cluster components are online with the following command:

```
$ watch -n5 oc get clusteroperators
```

Example output

NAME SINCE	VERSION	AVAILABLE	PROGRESSING	DEGRADED
authentication	4.6.0	True	False	False 3h56m
cloud-credential	4.6.0	True	False	False 29h
cluster-autoscaler	4.6.0	True	False	False 29h
config-operator	4.6.0	True	False	False 6h39m
console	4.6.0	True	False	False 3h59m
csi-snapshot-controller	4.6.0	True	False	False 4h12m
dns	4.6.0	True	False	False 4h15m
etcd	4.6.0	True	False	False 29h
image-registry	4.6.0	True	False	False 3h59m
ingress	4.6.0	True	False	False 4h30m

insights	4.6.0	True	False	False	29h
kube-apiserver	4.6.0	True	False	False	29h
kube-controller-manager	4.6.0	True	False	False	29h
kube-scheduler	4.6.0	True	False	False	29h
kube-storage-version-migrator	4.6.0	True	False	False	4h2m
machine-api	4.6.0	True	False	False	29h
machine-approver	4.6.0	True	False	False	6h34m
machine-config	4.6.0	True	False	False	3h56m
marketplace	4.6.0	True	False	False	4h2m
monitoring	4.6.0	True	False	False	6h31m
network	4.6.0	True	False	False	29h
node-tuning	4.6.0	True	False	False	4h30m
openshift-apiserver	4.6.0	True	False	False	3h56m
openshift-controller-manager	4.6.0	True	False	False	4h36m
openshift-samples	4.6.0	True	False	False	4h30m
operator-lifecycle-manager	4.6.0	True	False	False	29h
operator-lifecycle-manager-catalog	4.6.0	True	False	False	29h
operator-lifecycle-manager-packageserver	4.6.0	True	False	False	3h59m
service-ca	4.6.0	True	False	False	29h
storage	4.6.0	True	False	False	4h30m

Alternatively, the following command notifies you when all of the clusters are available. It also retrieves and displays credentials:

```
$ ./openshift-install --dir <installation_directory> wait-for install-complete 1
```

- 1** For **<installation_directory>**, specify the path to the directory that you stored the installation files in.

Example output

```
INFO Waiting up to 30m0s for the cluster to initialize...
```

The command succeeds when the Cluster Version Operator finishes deploying the OpenShift Container Platform cluster from Kubernetes API server.

IMPORTANT

- The Ignition config files that the installation program generates contain certificates that expire after 24 hours, which are then renewed at that time. If the cluster is shut down before renewing the certificates and the cluster is later restarted after the 24 hours have elapsed, the cluster automatically recovers the expired certificates. The exception is that you must manually approve the pending **node-bootstrapper** certificate signing requests (CSRs) to recover kubelet certificates. See the documentation for *Recovering from expired control plane certificates* for more information.
- It is recommended that you use Ignition config files within 12 hours after they are generated because the 24-hour certificate rotates from 16 to 22 hours after the cluster is installed. By using the Ignition config files within 12 hours, you can avoid installation failure if the certificate update runs during installation.

2. Confirm that the Kubernetes API server is communicating with the pods.

a. To view a list of all pods, use the following command:

```
$ oc get pods --all-namespaces
```

Example output

```

NAMESPACE           NAME                                     READY  STATUS   RESTARTS  AGE
openshift-apiserver-operator  openshift-apiserver-operator-85cb746d55-zqhs8  1/1
Running            1          9m
openshift-apiserver          apiserver-67b9g                                1/1  Running  0
3m
openshift-apiserver          apiserver-ljcmx                                1/1  Running  0
1m
openshift-apiserver          apiserver-z25h4                                1/1  Running  0
2m
openshift-authentication-operator  authentication-operator-69d5d8bf84-vh2n8      1/1
Running            0          5m
...

```

b. View the logs for a pod that is listed in the output of the previous command by using the following command:

```
$ oc logs <pod_name> -n <namespace> 1
```

1 Specify the pod name and namespace, as shown in the output of the previous command.

If the pod logs display, the Kubernetes API server can communicate with the cluster machines.

1.2.14. Telemetry access for OpenShift Container Platform

In OpenShift Container Platform 4.6, the Telemetry service, which runs by default to provide metrics about cluster health and the success of updates, requires internet access. If your cluster is connected to the internet, Telemetry runs automatically, and your cluster is registered to [OpenShift Cluster Manager](#).

After you confirm that your [OpenShift Cluster Manager](#) inventory is correct, either maintained automatically by Telemetry or manually by using OpenShift Cluster Manager, [use subscription watch](#) to track your OpenShift Container Platform subscriptions at the account or multi-cluster level.

Additional resources

- See [About remote health monitoring](#) for more information about the Telemetry service

1.2.15. Next steps

- [Customize your cluster](#).
- If the mirror registry that you used to install your cluster has a trusted CA, add it to the cluster by [configuring additional trust stores](#).

