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PREFACE

The contents within this guide provide an overview of Clair for Red Hat Quay, running Clair on standalone Red Hat Quay and Operator deployments, and advanced Clair configuration.

PART I. VULNERABILITY REPORTING WITH CLAIR ON RED HAT QUAY OVERVIEW

The content in this guide explains the key purposes and concepts of Clair on Red Hat Quay. It also contains information about Clair releases and the location of official Clair containers.

CHAPTER 1. CLAIR SECURITY SCANNER

Clair v4 (Clair) is an open source application that leverages static code analyses for parsing image content and reporting vulnerabilities affecting the content. Clair is packaged with Red Hat Quay and can be used in both standalone and Operator deployments. It can be run in highly scalable configurations, where components can be scaled separately as appropriate for enterprise environments.

1.1. ABOUT CLAIR

Clair uses Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS) data from the National Vulnerability Database (NVD) to enrich vulnerability data, which is a United States government repository of security-related information, including known vulnerabilities and security issues in various software components and systems. Using scores from the NVD provides Clair the following benefits:

- **Data synchronization**. Clair can periodically synchronize its vulnerability database with the NVD. This ensures that it has the latest vulnerability data.
- Matching and enrichment Clair compares the metadata and identifiers of vulnerabilities it
 discovers in container images with the data from the NVD. This process involves matching the
 unique identifiers, such as Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE) IDs, to the entries in
 the NVD. When a match is found, Clair can enrich its vulnerability information with additional
 details from NVD, such as severity scores, descriptions, and references.
- Severity Scores. The NVD assigns severity scores to vulnerabilities, such as the Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS) score, to indicate the potential impact and risk associated with each vulnerability. By incorporating NVD's severity scores, Clair can provide more context on the seriousness of the vulnerabilities it detects.

If Clair finds vulnerabilities from NVD, a detailed and standardized assessment of the severity and potential impact of vulnerabilities detected within container images is reported to users on the UI. CVSS enrichment data provides Clair the following benefits:

- **Vulnerability prioritization** By utilizing CVSS scores, users can prioritize vulnerabilities based on their severity, helping them address the most critical issues first.
- Assess Risk. CVSS scores can help Clair users understand the potential risk a vulnerability poses to their containerized applications.
- **Communicate Severity**. CVSS scores provide Clair users a standardized way to communicate the severity of vulnerabilities across teams and organizations.
- Inform Remediation Strategies. CVSS enrichment data can guide Quay.io users in developing appropriate remediation strategies.
- Compliance and Reporting. Integrating CVSS data into reports generated by Clair can help organizations demonstrate their commitment to addressing security vulnerabilities and complying with industry standards and regulations.

1.1.1. Clair releases

New versions of Clair are regularly released. The source code needed to build Clair is packaged as an archive and attached to each release. Clair releases can be found at Clair releases.

Release artifacts also include the **clairctl** command line interface tool, which obtains updater data from the internet by using an open host.

Clair 4.7.1

Clair 4.7.1 was released as part of Red Hat Quay 3.9.1. The following changes have been made:

With this release, you can view unpatched vulnerabilities from Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) sources. If you want to view unpatched vulnerabilities, you can the set ignore_unpatched parameter to false. For example:

```
updaters:
config:
rhel:
ignore_unpatched: false
```

To disable this feature, you can set **ignore_unpatched** to **true**.

Clair 4.7

Clair 4.7 was released as part of Red Hat Quay 3.9, and includes support for the following features:

- Native support for indexing Golang modules and RubeGems in container images.
- Change to OSV.dev as the vulnerability database source for any programming language package managers.
 - This includes popular sources like GitHub Security Advisories or PyPA.
 - This allows offline capability.
- Use of pyup.io for Python and CRDA for Java is suspended.
- Clair now supports Java, Golang, Python, and Ruby dependencies.

1.1.2. Clair vulnerability databases

Clair uses the following vulnerability databases to report for issues in your images:

- Ubuntu Oval database
- Debian Security Tracker
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) Oval database
- SUSE Oval database
- Oracle Oval database
- Alpine SecDB database
- VMware Photon OS database
- Amazon Web Services (AWS) UpdateInfo
- Open Source Vulnerability (OSV) Database

1.1.3. Clair supported dependencies

Clair supports identifying and managing the following dependencies:

Java

- Golang
- Python
- Ruby

This means that it can analyze and report on the third-party libraries and packages that a project in these languages relies on to work correctly.

When an image that contains packages from a language unsupported by Clair is pushed to your repository, a vulnerability scan cannot be performed on those packages. Users do not receive an analysis or security report for unsupported dependencies or packages. As a result, the following consequences should be considered:

- **Security risks**. Dependencies or packages that are not scanned for vulnerability might pose security risks to your organization.
- Compliance issues. If your organization has specific security or compliance requirements, unscanned, or partially scanned, container images might result in non-compliance with certain regulations.



NOTE

Scanned images are indexed, and a vulnerability report is created, but it might omit data from certain unsupported languages. For example, if your container image contains a Lua application, feedback from Clair is not provided because Clair does not detect it. It can detect other languages used in the container image, and shows detected CVEs for those languages. As a result, Clair images are *fully scanned* based on what it supported by Clair.

1.1.4. Clair containers

Official downstream Clair containers bundled with Red Hat Quay can be found on the Red Hat Ecosystem Catalog.

Official upstream containers are packaged and released as a container at Quay.io/projectquay/clair. The latest tag tracks the Git development branch. Version tags are built from the corresponding release.

1.2. CLAIR SEVERITY MAPPING

Clair offers a comprehensive approach to vulnerability assessment and management. One of its essential features is the normalization of security databases' severity strings. This process streamlines the assessment of vulnerability severities by mapping them to a predefined set of values. Through this mapping, clients can efficiently react to vulnerability severities without the need to decipher the intricacies of each security database's unique severity strings. These mapped severity strings align with those found within the respective security databases, ensuring consistency and accuracy in vulnerability assessment.

1.2.1. Clair severity strings

Clair alerts users with the following severity strings:

- Unknown
- Negligible

- Low
- Medium
- High
- Critical

These severity strings are similar to the strings found within the relevant security database.

Alpine mapping

Alpine SecDB database does not provide severity information. All vulnerability severities will be Unknown.

Alpine Severity	Clair Severity
*	Unknown

AWS mapping

AWS UpdateInfo database provides severity information.

AWS Severity	Clair Severity
low	Low
medium	Medium
important	High
critical	Critical

Debian mapping

Debian Oval database provides severity information.

Debian Severity	Clair Severity
*	Unknown
Unimportant	Low
Low	Medium
Medium	High
High	Critical

Oracle mapping

Oracle Oval database provides severity information.

Oracle Severity	Clair Severity
N/A	Unknown
LOW	Low
MODERATE	Medium
IMPORTANT	High
CRITICAL	Critical

RHEL mapping

RHEL Oval database provides severity information.

RHEL Severity	Clair Severity
None	Unknown
Low	Low
Moderate	Medium
Important	High
Critical	Critical

SUSE mapping

SUSE Oval database provides severity information.

Severity	Clair Severity
None	Unknown
Low	Low
Moderate	Medium
Important	High
Critical	Critical

Ubuntu mapping

Ubuntu Oval database provides severity information.

Severity	Clair Severity
Untriaged	Unknown
Negligible	Negligible
Low	Low
Medium	Medium
High	High
Critical	Critical

OSV mapping

Table 1.1. CVSSv3

Base Score	Clair Severity
0.0	Negligible
0.1-3.9	Low
4.0-6.9	Medium
7.0-8.9	High
9.0-10.0	Critical

Table 1.2. CVSSv2

Base Score	Clair Severity
0.0-3.9	Low
4.0-6.9	Medium
7.0-10	High

CHAPTER 2. CLAIR CONCEPTS

The following sections provide a conceptual overview of how Clair works.

2.1. CLAIR IN PRACTICE

A Clair analysis is broken down into three distinct parts: indexing, matching, and notification.

2.1.1. Indexing

Clair's indexer service plays a crucial role in understanding the makeup of a container image. In Clair, container image representations called "manifests." Manifests are used to comprehend the contents of the image's layers. To streamline this process, Clair takes advantage of the fact that Open Container Initiative (OCI) manifests and layers are designed for content addressing, reducing repetitive tasks.

During indexing, a manifest that represents a container image is taken and broken down into its essential components. The indexer's job is to uncover the image's contained packages, its origin distribution, and the package repositories it relies on. This valuable information is then recorded and stored within Clair's database. The insights gathered during indexing serve as the basis for generating a comprehensive vulnerability report. This report can be seamlessly transferred to a matcher node for further analysis and action, helping users make informed decisions about their container images' security.

The **IndexReport** is stored in Clair's database. It can be fed to a **matcher** node to compute the vulnerability report.

2.1.2. Matching

With Clair, a matcher node is responsible for matching vulnerabilities to a provided index report.

Matchers are responsible for keeping the database of vulnerabilities up to date. Matchers run a set of updaters, which periodically probe their data sources for new content. New vulnerabilities are stored in the database when they are discovered.

The matcher API is designed to always provide the most recent vulnerability report when queried. The vulnerability report summarizes both a manifest's content and any vulnerabilities affecting the content.

New vulnerabilities are stored in the database when they are discovered.

The matcher API is designed to be used often. It is designed to always provide the most recent **VulnerabilityReport** when queried. The **VulnerabilityReport** summarizes both a manifest's content and any vulnerabilities affecting the content.

2.1.3. Notifier service

Clair uses a notifier service that keeps track of new security database updates and informs users if new or removed vulnerabilities affect an indexed manifest.

When the notifier becomes aware of new vulnerabilities affecting a previously indexed manifest, it uses the configured methods in your **config.yaml** file to issue notifications about the new changes. Returned notifications express the most severe vulnerability discovered because of the change. This avoids creating excessive notifications for the same security database update.

When a user receives a notification, it issues a new request against the matcher to receive an up to date vulnerability report.

You can subscribe to notifications through the following mechanics:

- Webhook delivery
- AMQP delivery
- STOMP delivery

Configuring the notifier is done through the Clair YAML configuration file.

2.2. CLAIR AUTHENTICATION

In its current iteration, Clair v4 (Clair) handles authentication internally.



NOTE

Previous versions of Clair used JWT Proxy to gate authentication.

Authentication is configured by specifying configuration objects underneath the **auth** key of the configuration. Multiple authentication configurations might be present, but they are used preferentially in the following order:

- 1. PSK. With this authentication configuration, Clair implements JWT-based authentication using a pre-shared key.
- 2. Configuration. For example:

```
auth:
   psk:
   key: >-
    MDQ4ODBINDAtNDc0ZC00MWUxLThhMzAtOTk0MzEwMGQwYTMxCg==
   iss: 'issuer'
```

In this configuration the **auth** field requires two parameters: **iss**, which is the issuer to validate all incoming requests, and **key**, which is a base64 coded symmetric key for validating the requests.

2.3. CLAIR UPDATERS

Clair uses **Go** packages called *updaters* that contain the logic of fetching and parsing different vulnerability databases.

Updaters are usually paired with a matcher to interpret if, and how, any vulnerability is related to a package. Administrators might want to update the vulnerability database less frequently, or not import vulnerabilities from databases that they know will not be used.

2.4. INFORMATION ABOUT CLAIR UPDATERS

The following table provides details about each Clair updater, including the configuration parameter, a brief description, relevant URLs, and the associated components that they interact with. This list is not exhaustive, and some servers might issue redirects, while certain request URLs are dynamically constructed to ensure accurate vulnerability data retrieval.

For Clair, each updater is responsible for fetching and parsing vulnerability data related to a specific package type or distribution. For example, the Debian updater focuses on Debian-based Linux

distributions, while the AWS updater focuses on vulnerabilities specific to Amazon Web Services' Linux distributions. Understanding the package type is important for vulnerability management because different package types might have unique security concerns and require specific updates and patches.



NOTE

If you are using a proxy server in your environment with Clair's updater URLs, you must identify which URL needs to be added to the proxy allowlist to ensure that Clair can access them unimpeded. Use the following table to add updater URLs to your proxy allowlist.

Table 2.1. Clair updater information

Updater	Description	URLs	Component
alpine	The Alpine updater is responsible for fetching and parsing vulnerability data related to packages in Alpine Linux distributions.	 https://secdb.alpineli nux.org/ 	Alpine Linux SecDB database
aws	The AWS updater is focused on AWS Linux-based packages, ensuring that vulnerability information specific to Amazon Web Services' custom Linux distributions is kept up-to-date.	 http://repo.us-west- 2.amazonaws.com/20 18.03/updates/x86_64 /mirror.list https://cdn.amazonli nux.com/2/core/latest /x86_64/mirror.list https://cdn.amazonli nux.com/al2023/core/ mirrors/latest/x86_64/ mirror.list 	Amazon Web Services (AWS) UpdateInfo
debian	The Debian updater is essential for tracking vulnerabilities in packages associated with Debianbased Linux distributions.	 https://deb.debian.org/ https://security-tracker.debian.org/tracker/data/json 	Debian Security Tracker
clair.cv ss	The Clair Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS) updater focuses on maintaining data about vulnerabilities and their associated CVSS scores. This is not tied to a specific package type but rather to the severity and risk assessment of vulnerabilities in general.	 https://nvd.nist.gov/f eeds/json/cve/1.1/ 	National Vulnerability Database (NVD) feed for Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE) data in JSON format

Updater	Description	URLs	Component
oracle	The Oracle updater is dedicated to Oracle Linux packages, maintaining data on vulnerabilities that affect Oracle Linux systems.	 https://linux.oracle.c om/security/oval/com .oracle.elsa-*.xml.bz2 	Oracle Oval database
photon	The Photon updater deals with packages in VMware Photon OS.	 https://packages.vm ware.com/photon/ph oton_oval_definition s/ 	VMware Photon OS oval definitions
rhel	The Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) updater is responsible for maintaining vulnerability data for packages in Red Hat's Enterprise Linux distribution.	 https://access.redhat .com/security/cve/ https://access.redhat .com/security/data/ov al/v2/PULP_MANIFES T 	Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) Oval database
rhcc	The Red Hat Container Catalog (RHCC) updater is connected to Red Hat's container images. This updater ensures that vulnerability information related to Red Hat's containerized software is kept current.	 https://access.redhat .com/security/data/m etrics/cvemap.xml 	Resource Handler Configuration Controller (RHCC) database
suse	The SUSE updater manages vulnerability information for packages in the SUSE Linux distribution family, including openSUSE, SUSE Enterprise Linux, and others.	 https://support.novell .com/security/oval/ 	SUSE Oval database
ubuntu	The Ubuntu updater is dedicated to tracking vulnerabilities in packages associated with Ubuntubased Linux distributions. Ubuntu is a popular distribution in the Linux ecosystem.	 https://security-metadata.canonical.com/oval/com.ubuntu.*.cve.oval.xml https://api.launchpad.net/1.0/ 	Ubuntu Oval Database

Updater	Description	URLs	Component
osv	The Open Source Vulnerability (OSV) updater specializes in tracking vulnerabilities within open source software components. OSV is a critical resource that provides detailed information about security issues found in various open source projects.	https://osv- vulnerabilities.storag e.googleapis.com/	Open Source Vulnerabilities database

2.5. CONFIGURING UPDATERS

Updaters can be configured by the **updaters.sets** key in your **clair-config.yaml** file.



IMPORTANT

- If the **sets** field is not populated, it defaults to using all sets. In using all sets, Clair tries to reach the URL or URLs of each updater. If you are using a proxy environment, you must add these URLs to your proxy allowlist.
- If updaters are being run automatically within the matcher process, which is the default setting, the period for running updaters is configured under the matcher's configuration field.

2.5.1. Selecting specific updater sets

Use the following references to select one, or multiple, updaters for your Red Hat Quay deployment.

Configuring Clair for multiple updaters

Multiple specific updaters

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- alpine
- aws
- osv
#...
```

Configuring Clair for Alpine

Alpine config.yaml example

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- alpine
#...
```

Configuring Clair for AWS

AWS config.yaml example

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- aws
#...
```

Configuring Clair for Debian

Debian config.yaml example

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- debian
#...
```

Configuring Clair for Clair CVSS

Clair CVSS config.yaml example

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- clair.cvss
#...
```

Configuring Clair for Oracle

Oracle config.yaml example

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- oracle
#...
```

Configuring Clair for Photon

Photon config.yaml example

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- photon
#...
```

Configuring Clair for SUSE

SUSE config.yaml example

```
#...
```

```
updaters:
sets:
- suse
#...
```

Configuring Clair for Ubuntu

Ubuntu config.yaml example

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- ubuntu
#...
```

Configuring Clair for OSV

OSV config.yaml example

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- osv
#...
```

2.5.2. Selecting updater sets for full Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) coverage

For full coverage of vulnerabilities in Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL), you must use the following updater sets:

- **rhel**. This updater ensures that you have the latest information on the vulnerabilities that affect RHEL.
- rhcc. This updater keeps track of vulnerabilities related to Red hat's container images.
- **clair.cvss**. This updater offers a comprehensive view of the severity and risk assessment of vulnerabilities by providing Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE) scores.
- **osv**. This updater focuses on tracking vulnerabilities in open-source software components. This updater is recommended due to how common the use of Java and Go are in RHEL products.

RHEL updaters example

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- rhel
- rhcc
- clair.cvss
- osv
#...
```

2.5.3. Advanced updater configuration

In some cases, users might want to configure updaters for specific behavior, for example, if you want to allowlist specific ecosystems for the Open Source Vulnerabilities (OSV) updaters.

Advanced updater configuration might be useful for proxy deployments or air gapped deployments. Configuration for specific updaters in these scenarios can be passed by putting a key underneath the **config** environment variable of the **updaters** object. Users should examine their Clair logs to double-check names.

The following YAML snippets detail the various settings available to some Clair updater



IMPORTANT

For more users, advanced updater configuration is unnecessary.

Configuring the alpine updater

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- apline
config:
alpine:
url: https://secdb.alpinelinux.org/
#...
```

Configuring the debian updater

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- debian
config:
debian:
mirror_url: https://deb.debian.org/
json_url: https://security-tracker.debian.org/tracker/data/json
#...
```

Configuring the clair.cvss updater

```
#...
updaters:
config:
clair.cvss:
url: https://nvd.nist.gov/feeds/json/cve/1.1/
#...
```

Configuring the oracle updater

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- oracle
config:
oracle-2023-updater:
```

```
url:
- https://linux.oracle.com/security/oval/com.oracle.elsa-2023.xml.bz2
oracle-2022-updater:
url:
- https://linux.oracle.com/security/oval/com.oracle.elsa-2022.xml.bz2
#...
```

Configuring the photon updater

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- photon
config:
photon:
url: https://packages.vmware.com/photon/photon_oval_definitions/
#...
```

Configuring the rhel updater

```
#...

updaters:
sets:
- rhel
config:
rhel:
 url: https://access.redhat.com/security/data/oval/v2/PULP_MANIFEST
ignore_unpatched: true 1
#...
```

Boolean. Whether to include information about vulnerabilities that do not have corresponding patches or updates available.

Configuring the rhcc updater

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- rhcc
config:
rhcc:
url: https://access.redhat.com/security/data/metrics/cvemap.xml
#...
```

Configuring the suse updater

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- suse
config:
suse:
url: https://support.novell.com/security/oval/
#...
```

Configuring the ubuntu updater

```
#...
updaters:
config:
ubuntu:
url: https://api.launchpad.net/1.0/
name: ubuntu
force: 1
- name: focal 2
version: 20.04 3
```

- Used to force the inclusion of specific distribution and version details in the resulting UpdaterSet, regardless of their status in the API response. Useful when you want to ensure that particular distributions and versions are consistently included in your updater configuration.
- Specifies the distribution name that you want to force to be included in the UpdaterSet.
- Specifies the version of the distribution you want to force into the UpdaterSet.

Configuring the osv updater

```
#...
updaters:
sets:
- osv
config:
osv:
url: https://osv-vulnerabilities.storage.googleapis.com/allowlist:
- npm
- pypi
#...
```

The list of ecosystems to allow. When left unset, all ecosystems are allowed. Must be lowercase. For a list of supported ecosystems, see the documentation for defined ecosystems.

2.5.4. Disabling the Clair Updater component

In some scenarios, users might want to disable the Clair updater component. Disabling updaters is required when running Red Hat Quay in a disconnected environment.

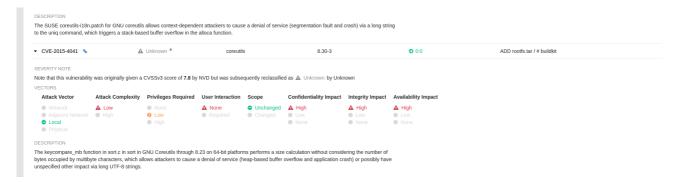
In the following example, Clair updaters are disabled:

```
#...
matcher:
disable_updaters: true
#...
```

2.6. CVE RATINGS FROM THE NATIONAL VULNERABILITY DATABASE

As of Clair v4.2, Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS) enrichment data is now viewable in the Red Hat Quay UI. Additionally, Clair v4.2 adds CVSS scores from the National Vulnerability Database for detected vulnerabilities.

With this change, if the vulnerability has a CVSS score that is within 2 levels of the distribution score, the Red Hat Quay UI present's the distribution's score by default. For example:



This differs from the previous interface, which would only display the following information:



2.7. FEDERAL INFORMATION PROCESSING STANDARD (FIPS) READINESS AND COMPLIANCE

The Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is regarded as the highly regarded for securing and encrypting sensitive data, notably in highly regulated areas such as banking, healthcare, and the public sector. Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) and OpenShift Container Platform support FIPS by providing a *FIPS mode*, in which the system only allows usage of specific FIPS-validated cryptographic modules like **openssl**. This ensures FIPS compliance.

2.7.1. Enabling FIPS compliance

Use the following procedure to enable FIPS compliance on your Red Hat Quay deployment.

Prerequisite

- If you are running a standalone deployment of Red Hat Quay, your Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) deployment is version 8 or later and FIPS-enabled.
- If you are deploying Red Hat Quay on OpenShift Container Platform, OpenShift Container Platform is version 4.10 or later.
- Your Red Hat Quay version is 3.5.0 or later.
- If you are using the Red Hat Quay on OpenShift Container Platform on an IBM Power or IBM Z cluster:
 - OpenShift Container Platform version 4.14 or later is required
 - Red Hat Quay version 3.10 or later is required

• You have administrative privileges for your Red Hat Quay deployment.

Procedure

• In your Red Hat Quay **config.yaml** file, set the **FEATURE_FIPS** configuration field to **true**. For example:

```
---
FEATURE_FIPS = true
---
```

With **FEATURE_FIPS** set to **true**, Red Hat Quay runs using FIPS-compliant hash functions.

PART II. CLAIR ON RED HAT QUAY

This guide contains procedures for running Clair on Red Hat Quay in both standalone and OpenShift Container Platform Operator deployments.

CHAPTER 3. SETTING UP CLAIR ON STANDALONE RED HAT QUAY DEPLOYMENTS

For standalone Red Hat Quay deployments, you can set up Clair manually.

Procedure

- 1. In your Red Hat Quay installation directory, create a new directory for the Clair database data:
 - \$ mkdir /home/<user-name>/quay-poc/postgres-clairv4
- 2. Set the appropriate permissions for the **postgres-clairv4** file by entering the following command:
 - \$ setfacl -m u:26:-wx /home/<user-name>/quay-poc/postgres-clairv4
- 3. Deploy a Clair PostgreSQL database by entering the following command:
 - \$ sudo podman run -d --name postgresql-clairv4 \
 - -e POSTGRESQL_USER=clairuser \
 - -e POSTGRESQL PASSWORD=clairpass \
 - -e POSTGRESQL_DATABASE=clair \
 - -e POSTGRESQL_ADMIN_PASSWORD=adminpass \
 - -p 5433:5432 \
 - $-v \ /home/<user-name>/quay-poc/postgres-clairv4:/var/lib/pgsql/data:Z \ /registry.redhat.io/rhel8/postgresql-13:1-109$
- 4. Install the PostgreSQL **uuid-ossp** module for your Clair deployment:

\$ podman exec -it postgresql-clairv4 /bin/bash -c 'echo "CREATE EXTENSION IF NOT EXISTS \"uuid-ossp\"" | psql -d clair -U postgres'

Example output

CREATE EXTENSION



NOTE

Clair requires the **uuid-ossp** extension to be added to its PostgreSQL database. For users with proper privileges, creating the extension will automatically be added by Clair. If users do not have the proper privileges, the extension must be added before start Clair.

If the extension is not present, the following error will be displayed when Clair attempts to start: **ERROR: Please load the "uuid-ossp" extension.** (SQLSTATE 42501).

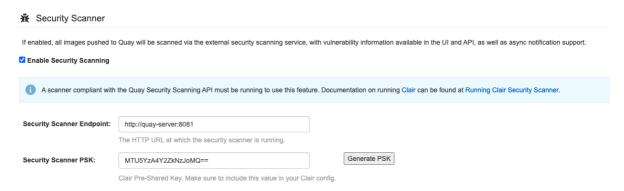
5. Stop the **Quay** container if it is running and restart it in configuration mode, loading the existing configuration as a volume:

\$ sudo podman run --rm -it --name quay_config \
-p 80:8080 -p 443:8443 \

-v \$QUAY/config:/conf/stack:Z \
{productrepo}/{quayimage}:{productminv} config secret

- 6. Log in to the configuration tool and click **Enable Security Scanning** in the **Security Scanner** section of the UI.
- 7. Set the HTTP endpoint for Clair using a port that is not already in use on the **quay-server** system, for example, **8081**.
- 8. Create a pre-shared key (PSK) using the **Generate PSK** button.

Security Scanner UI



- 9. Validate and download the **config.yaml** file for Red Hat Quay, and then stop the **Quay** container that is running the configuration editor.
- 10. Extract the new configuration bundle into your Red Hat Quay installation directory, for example:
 - \$ tar xvf quay-config.tar.gz -d /home/<user-name>/quay-poc/
- 11. Create a folder for your Clair configuration file, for example:
 - \$ mkdir /etc/opt/clairv4/config/
- 12. Change into the Clair configuration folder:
 - \$ cd /etc/opt/clairv4/config/
- 13. Create a Clair configuration file, for example:

```
http_listen_addr: :8081
introspection_addr: :8088
log_level: debug
indexer:
    connstring: host=quay-server.example.com port=5433 dbname=clair user=clairuser
password=clairpass sslmode=disable
    scanlock_retry: 10
    layer_scan_concurrency: 5
    migrations: true
matcher:
    connstring: host=quay-server.example.com port=5433 dbname=clair user=clairuser
password=clairpass sslmode=disable
    max_conn_pool: 100
    migrations: true
```

```
indexer_addr: clair-indexer
notifier:
 connstring: host=quay-server.example.com port=5433 dbname=clair user=clairuser
password=clairpass sslmode=disable
 delivery interval: 1m
 poll interval: 5m
 migrations: true
auth:
 psk:
  key: "MTU5YzA4Y2ZkNzJoMQ=="
  iss: ["quay"]
# tracing and metrics
trace:
 name: "jaeger"
 probability: 1
 jaeger:
  agent:
   endpoint: "localhost:6831"
  service name: "clair"
metrics:
 name: "prometheus"
```

For more information about Clair's configuration format, see Clair configuration reference.

14. Start Clair by using the container image, mounting in the configuration from the file you created:

```
$ sudo podman run -d --name clairv4 \
-p 8081:8081 -p 8088:8088 \
-e CLAIR_CONF=/clair/config.yaml \
-e CLAIR_MODE=combo \
-v /etc/opt/clairv4/config:/clair:Z \
registry.redhat.io/quay/clair-rhel8:v3.11.1
```



NOTE

Running multiple Clair containers is also possible, but for deployment scenarios beyond a single container the use of a container orchestrator like Kubernetes or OpenShift Container Platform is strongly recommended.

3.1. USING CLAIR WITH AN UPSTREAM IMAGE FOR RED HAT QUAY

For most users, independent upgrades of Clair from the current version (4.7.2) are unnecessary. In some cases, however, customers might want to pull an image of Clair from the upstream repository for various reasons, such as for specific bug fixes or to try new features that have not yet been released downstream. You can use the following procedure to run an upstream version of Clair with Red Hat Quay.



IMPORTANT

Upstream versions of Clair have not been fully tested for compatibility with Red Hat Quay. As a result, this combination might cause issues with your deployment.

Procedure

1. Enter the following command to stop Clair if it is running:

\$ podman stop <clairv4_container_name>

- 2. Navigate to the upstream repository, find the version of Clair that you want to use, and pull it to your local machine. For example:
 - \$ podman pull quay.io/projectquay/clair:nightly-2024-02-03
- 3. Start Clair by using the container image, mounting in the configuration from the file you created:

```
$ podman run -d --name clairv4 \
-p 8081:8081 -p 8088:8088 \
-e CLAIR_CONF=/clair/config.yaml \
-e CLAIR_MODE=combo \
-v /etc/opt/clairv4/config:/clair:Z \
quay.io/projectquay/clair:nightly-2024-02-03
```

CHAPTER 4. CLAIR ON OPENSHIFT CONTAINER PLATFORM

To set up Clair v4 (Clair) on a Red Hat Quay deployment on OpenShift Container Platform, it is recommended to use the Red Hat Quay Operator. By default, the Red Hat Quay Operator installs or upgrades a Clair deployment along with your Red Hat Quay deployment and configure Clair automatically.

CHAPTER 5. TESTING CLAIR

Use the following procedure to test Clair on either a standalone Red Hat Quay deployment, or on an OpenShift Container Platform Operator-based deployment.

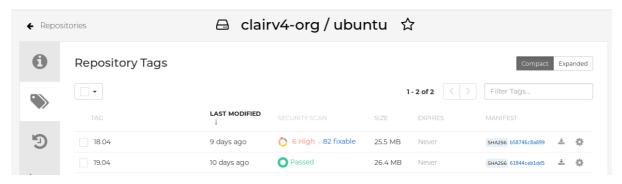
Prerequisites

• You have deployed the Clair container image.

Procedure

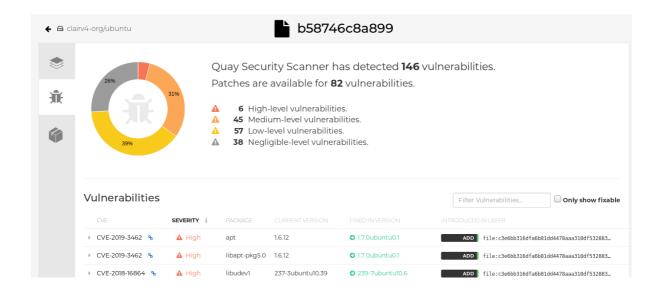
- 1. Pull a sample image by entering the following command:
 - \$ podman pull ubuntu:20.04
- 2. Tag the image to your registry by entering the following command:
 - \$ sudo podman tag docker.io/library/ubuntu:20.04 <quay-server.example.com>/<username>/ubuntu:20.04
- 3. Push the image to your Red Hat Quay registry by entering the following command:
 - \$ sudo podman push --tls-verify=false quay-server.example.com/quayadmin/ubuntu:20.04
- 4. Log in to your Red Hat Quay deployment through the UI.
- 5. Click the repository name, for example, quayadmin/ubuntu.
- 6. In the navigation pane, click **Tags**.

Report summary



7. Click the image report, for example, 45 medium, to show a more detailed report:

Report details





NOTE

In some cases, Clair shows duplicate reports on images, for example, **ubi8/nodejs-12** or **ubi8/nodejs-16**. This occurs because vulnerabilities with same name are for different packages. This behavior is expected with Clair vulnerability reporting and will not be addressed as a bug.

PART III. ADVANCED CLAIR CONFIGURATION

Use this section to configure advanced Clair features.

CHAPTER 6. UNMANAGED CLAIR CONFIGURATION

Red Hat Quay users can run an unmanaged Clair configuration with the Red Hat Quay OpenShift Container Platform Operator. This feature allows users to create an unmanaged Clair database, or run their custom Clair configuration without an unmanaged database.

An unmanaged Clair database allows the Red Hat Quay Operator to work in a geo-replicated environment, where multiple instances of the Operator must communicate with the same database. An unmanaged Clair database can also be used when a user requires a highly-available (HA) Clair database that exists outside of a cluster.

6.1. RUNNING A CUSTOM CLAIR CONFIGURATION WITH AN UNMANAGED CLAIR DATABASE

Use the following procedure to set your Clair database to unmanaged.

Procedure

• In the Quay Operator, set the **clairpostgres** component of the **QuayRegistry** custom resource to **managed: false**:

apiVersion: quay.redhat.com/v1

kind: QuayRegistry

metadata:

name: quay370

spec:

configBundleSecret: config-bundle-secret

components:

kind: objectstorage managed: false
kind: route managed: true
kind: tls

managed: false
- kind: clairpostgres
managed: false

6.2. CONFIGURING A CUSTOM CLAIR DATABASE WITH AN UNMANAGED CLAIR DATABASE

Red Hat Quay on OpenShift Container Platform allows users to provide their own Clair database.

Use the following procedure to create a custom Clair database.



NOTE

The following procedure sets up Clair with SSL/TLS certifications. To view a similar procedure that does not set up Clair with SSL/TSL certifications, see "Configuring a custom Clair database with a managed Clair configuration".

Procedure

1. Create a Quay configuration bundle secret that includes the **clair-config.yaml** by entering the following command:

\$ oc create secret generic --from-file config.yaml=./config.yaml --from-file extra_ca_cert_rds-ca-2019-root.pem=./rds-ca-2019-root.pem --from-file clair-config.yaml=./clair-config.yaml --from-file ssl.cert --from-file ssl.key=./ssl.key config-bundle-secret

Example Clair config.yamI file

indexer:

connstring: host=quay-server.example.com port=5432 dbname=quay user=quayrdsdb password=quayrdsdb sslrootcert=/run/certs/rds-ca-2019-root.pem sslmode=verify-ca

layer_scan_concurrency: 6

migrations: true scanlock_retry: 11 log_level: debug

matcher:

connstring: host=quay-server.example.com port=5432 dbname=quay user=quayrdsdb password=quayrdsdb sslrootcert=/run/certs/rds-ca-2019-root.pem sslmode=verify-ca

migrations: true

metrics:

name: prometheus

notifier:

connstring: host=quay-server.example.com port=5432 dbname=quay user=quayrdsdb password=quayrdsdb sslrootcert=/run/certs/rds-ca-2019-root.pem sslmode=verify-ca

migrations: true



NOTE

- The database certificate is mounted under /run/certs/rds-ca-2019-root.pem on the Clair application pod in the clair-config.yaml. It must be specified when configuring your clair-config.yaml.
- An example **clair-config.yaml** can be found at Clair on OpenShift config.
- 2. Add the **clair-config.yaml** file to your bundle secret, for example:

apiVersion: v1 kind: Secret metadata:

name: config-bundle-secret namespace: quay-enterprise

data:

config.yaml: <base64 encoded Quay config> clair-config.yaml: <base64 encoded Clair config> extra_ca_cert_<name>: <base64 encoded ca cert>

ssl.crt: <base64 encoded SSL certificate> ssl.key: <base64 encoded SSL private key>



NOTE

When updated, the provided **clair-config.yaml** file is mounted into the Clair pod. Any fields not provided are automatically populated with defaults using the Clair configuration module.

3. You can check the status of your Clair pod by clicking the commit in the **Build History** page, or by running **oc get pods -n <namespace>**. For example:

\$ oc get pods -n <namespace>

Example output

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE f192fe4a-c802-4275-bcce-d2031e635126-9l2b5-25lg2 1/1 Running 0 7s

CHAPTER 7. RUNNING A CUSTOM CLAIR CONFIGURATION WITH A MANAGED CLAIR DATABASE

In some cases, users might want to run a custom Clair configuration with a managed Clair database. This is useful in the following scenarios:

- When a user wants to disable specific updater resources.
- When a user is running Red Hat Quay in an disconnected environment. For more information about running Clair in a disconnected environment, see Clair in disconnected environments.



NOTE

- If you are running Red Hat Quay in an disconnected environment, the **airgap** parameter of your **clair-config.yaml** must be set to **true**.
- If you are running Red Hat Quay in an disconnected environment, you should disable all updater components.

7.1. SETTING A CLAIR DATABASE TO MANAGED

Use the following procedure to set your Clair database to managed.

Procedure

• In the Quay Operator, set the **clairpostgres** component of the **QuayRegistry** custom resource to **managed: true**:

apiVersion: quay.redhat.com/v1

kind: QuayRegistry

metadata:

name: quay370

spec:

configBundleSecret: config-bundle-secret

components:

kind: objectstorage managed: false
kind: route managed: true
kind: tls

managed: false
- kind: clairpostgres
managed: true

7.2. CONFIGURING A CUSTOM CLAIR DATABASE WITH A MANAGED CLAIR CONFIGURATION

Red Hat Quay on OpenShift Container Platform allows users to provide their own Clair database.

Use the following procedure to create a custom Clair database.

Procedure

1. Create a Quay configuration bundle secret that includes the **clair-config.yaml** by entering the following command:

\$ oc create secret generic --from-file config.yaml=./config.yaml --from-file extra_ca_cert_rds-ca-2019-root.pem=./rds-ca-2019-root.pem --from-file clair-config.yaml=./clair-config.yaml config-bundle-secret

Example Clair config.yaml file

indexer:

connstring: host=quay-server.example.com port=5432 dbname=quay user=quayrdsdb password=quayrdsdb sslmode=disable

layer_scan_concurrency: 6

migrations: true scanlock_retry: 11 log_level: debug matcher:

connstring: host=quay-server.example.com port=5432 dbname=quay user=quayrdsdb

password=quayrdsdb sslmode=disable

migrations: true

metrics:

name: prometheus

notifier:

connstring: host=quay-server.example.com port=5432 dbname=quay user=quayrdsdb

password=quayrdsdb sslmode=disable

migrations: true



NOTE

- The database certificate is mounted under /run/certs/rds-ca-2019-root.pem on the Clair application pod in the clair-config.yaml. It must be specified when configuring your clair-config.yaml.
- An example **clair-config.yaml** can be found at Clair on OpenShift config.
- 2. Add the **clair-config.yaml** file to your bundle secret, for example:

apiVersion: v1 kind: Secret metadata:

name: config-bundle-secret namespace: quay-enterprise

data:

config.yaml: <base64 encoded Quay config> clair-config.yaml: <base64 encoded Clair config>



NOTE

• When updated, the provided **clair-config.yaml** file is mounted into the Clair pod. Any fields not provided are automatically populated with defaults using the Clair configuration module.

3. You can check the status of your Clair pod by clicking the commit in the **Build History** page, or by running **oc get pods -n <namespace>**. For example:

\$ oc get pods -n <namespace>

Example output

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE f192fe4a-c802-4275-bcce-d2031e635126-9l2b5-25lg2 1/1 Running 0 7s

CHAPTER 8. CLAIR IN DISCONNECTED ENVIRONMENTS



NOTE

Currently, deploying Clair in disconnected environments is not supported on IBM Power and IBM Z.

Clair uses a set of components called *updaters* to handle the fetching and parsing of data from various vulnerability databases. Updaters are set up by default to pull vulnerability data directly from the internet and work for immediate use. However, some users might require Red Hat Quay to run in a disconnected environment, or an environment without direct access to the internet. Clair supports disconnected environments by working with different types of update workflows that take network isolation into consideration. This works by using the **clairctl** command line interface tool, which obtains updater data from the internet by using an open host, securely transferring the data to an isolated host, and then important the updater data on the isolated host into Clair.

Use this guide to deploy Clair in a disconnected environment.



IMPORTANT

Due to known issue PROJQUAY-6577, the Red Hat Quay Operator does not properly render customized Clair **config.yaml** files. As a result, the following procedure does not currently work.

Users must create the entire Clair configuration themselves, from the beginning, instead of relying on the Operator to populate the fields. To do this, following the instructions at Procedure to enable Clair scanning of images in disconnected environments .



NOTE

Currently, Clair enrichment data is CVSS data. Enrichment data is currently unsupported in disconnected environments.

For more information about Clair updaters, see "Clair updaters".

8.1. SETTING UP CLAIR IN A DISCONNECTED OPENSHIFT CONTAINER PLATFORM CLUSTER

Use the following procedures to set up an OpenShift Container Platform provisioned Clair pod in a disconnected OpenShift Container Platform cluster.



IMPORTANT

Due to known issue PROJQUAY-6577, the Red Hat Quay Operator does not properly render customized Clair **config.yaml** files. As a result, the following procedure does not currently work.

Users must create the entire Clair configuration themselves, from the beginning, instead of relying on the Operator to populate the fields. To do this, following the instructions at Procedure to enable Clair scanning of images in disconnected environments .

8.1.1. Installing the clairctl command line utility tool for OpenShift Container Platform deployments

Use the following procedure to install the **clairctl** CLI tool for OpenShift Container Platform deployments.

Procedure

1. Install the **clairctl** program for a Clair deployment in an OpenShift Container Platform cluster by entering the following command:

\$ oc -n quay-enterprise exec example-registry-clair-app-64dd48f866-6ptgw -- cat /usr/bin/clairctl > clairctl



NOTE

Unofficially, the clairctl tool can be downloaded

2. Set the permissions of the **clairctl** file so that it can be executed and run by the user, for example:

\$ chmod u+x ./clairctl

8.1.2. Retrieving and decoding the Clair configuration secret for Clair deployments on OpenShift Container Platform

Use the following procedure to retrieve and decode the configuration secret for an OpenShift Container Platform provisioned Clair instance on OpenShift Container Platform.

Prerequisites

• You have installed the **clairctl** command line utility tool.

Procedure

1. Enter the following command to retrieve and decode the configuration secret, and then save it to a Clair configuration YAML:

 $\$ oc get secret -n quay-enterprise example-registry-clair-config-secret -o "jsonpath= $\$ (\$.data['config\.yaml']}" | base64 -d > clair-config.yaml

2. Update the **clair-config.yaml** file so that the **disable_updaters** and **airgap** parameters are set to **true**, for example:

```
indexer:
airgap: true
---
matcher:
disable_updaters: true
---
```

8.1.3. Exporting the updaters bundle from a connected Clair instance

Use the following procedure to export the updaters bundle from a Clair instance that has access to the internet.

Prerequisites

- You have installed the **clairctl** command line utility tool.
- You have retrieved and decoded the Clair configuration secret, and saved it to a Clair **config.yaml** file.
- The disable_updaters and airgap parameters are set to true in your Clair config.yaml file.

Procedure

- From a Clair instance that has access to the internet, use the **clairctl** CLI tool with your configuration file to export the updaters bundle. For example:
 - \$./clairctl --config ./config.yaml export-updaters updates.gz

8.1.4. Configuring access to the Clair database in the disconnected OpenShift Container Platform cluster

Use the following procedure to configure access to the Clair database in your disconnected OpenShift Container Platform cluster.

Prerequisites

- You have installed the **clairctl** command line utility tool.
- You have retrieved and decoded the Clair configuration secret, and saved it to a Clair **config.yaml** file.
- The disable_updaters and airgap parameters are set to true in your Clair config.yaml file.
- You have exported the updaters bundle from a Clair instance that has access to the internet.

Procedure

1. Determine your Clair database service by using the **oc** CLI tool, for example:

\$ oc get svc -n quay-enterprise

Example output

```
NAME TYPE CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S)
AGE
example-registry-clair-app ClusterIP 172.30.224.93 <none>
80/TCP,8089/TCP 4d21h
example-registry-clair-postgres ClusterIP 172.30.246.88 <none> 5432/TCP
4d21h
...
```

2. Forward the Clair database port so that it is accessible from the local machine. For example:

\$ oc port-forward -n quay-enterprise service/example-registry-clair-postgres 5432:5432

3. Update your Clair **config.yaml** file, for example:

- Replace the value of the **host** in the multiple **connstring** fields with **localhost**.
- 2 For more information about the **rhel-repository-scanner** parameter, see "Mapping repositories to Common Product Enumeration information".
- For more information about the **rhel_containerscanner** parameter, see "Mapping repositories to Common Product Enumeration information".

8.1.5. Importing the updaters bundle into the disconnected OpenShift Container Platform cluster

Use the following procedure to import the updaters bundle into your disconnected OpenShift Container Platform cluster.

Prerequisites

- You have installed the **clairctl** command line utility tool.
- You have retrieved and decoded the Clair configuration secret, and saved it to a Clair **config.yaml** file.
- The disable_updaters and airgap parameters are set to true in your Clair config.yaml file.
- You have exported the updaters bundle from a Clair instance that has access to the internet.
- You have transferred the updaters bundle into your disconnected environment.

Procedure

- Use the **clairctl** CLI tool to import the updaters bundle into the Clair database that is deployed by OpenShift Container Platform. For example:
 - \$./clairctl --config ./clair-config.yaml import-updaters updates.gz

8.2. SETTING UP A SELF-MANAGED DEPLOYMENT OF CLAIR FOR A DISCONNECTED OPENSHIFT CONTAINER PLATFORM CLUSTER

Use the following procedures to set up a self-managed deployment of Clair for a disconnected OpenShift Container Platform cluster.



IMPORTANT

Due to known issue PROJQUAY-6577, the Red Hat Quay Operator does not properly render customized Clair **config.yaml** files. As a result, the following procedure does not currently work.

Users must create the entire Clair configuration themselves, from the beginning, instead of relying on the Operator to populate the fields. To do this, following the instructions at Procedure to enable Clair scanning of images in disconnected environments .

8.2.1. Installing the clairctl command line utility tool for a self-managed Clair deployment on OpenShift Container Platform

Use the following procedure to install the **clairctl** CLI tool for self-managed Clair deployments on OpenShift Container Platform.

Procedure

- 1. Install the **clairctl** program for a self-managed Clair deployment by using the **podman cp** command, for example:
 - \$ sudo podman cp clairv4:/usr/bin/clairctl ./clairctl
- 2. Set the permissions of the **clairctl** file so that it can be executed and run by the user, for example:
 - \$ chmod u+x ./clairctl

8.2.2. Deploying a self-managed Clair container for disconnected OpenShift Container Platform clusters

Use the following procedure to deploy a self-managed Clair container for disconnected OpenShift Container Platform clusters.

Prerequisites

• You have installed the **clairctl** command line utility tool.

Procedure

- 1. Create a folder for your Clair configuration file, for example:
 - \$ mkdir /etc/clairv4/config/
- 2. Create a Clair configuration file with the **disable_updaters** parameter set to **true**, for example:

```
indexer:
airgap: true
---
matcher:
disable_updaters: true
```

3. Start Clair by using the container image, mounting in the configuration from the file you created:

```
$ sudo podman run -it --rm --name clairv4 \
-p 8081:8081 -p 8088:8088 \
-e CLAIR_CONF=/clair/config.yaml \
-e CLAIR_MODE=combo \
-v /etc/clairv4/config:/clair:Z \
registry.redhat.io/quay/clair-rhel8:v3.11.1
```

8.2.3. Exporting the updaters bundle from a connected Clair instance

Use the following procedure to export the updaters bundle from a Clair instance that has access to the internet.

Prerequisites

- You have installed the **clairctl** command line utility tool.
- You have deployed Clair.
- The disable_updaters and airgap parameters are set to true in your Clair config.yaml file.

Procedure

• From a Clair instance that has access to the internet, use the **clairctl** CLI tool with your configuration file to export the updaters bundle. For example:

\$./clairctl --config ./config.yaml export-updaters updates.gz

8.2.4. Configuring access to the Clair database in the disconnected OpenShift Container Platform cluster

Use the following procedure to configure access to the Clair database in your disconnected OpenShift Container Platform cluster.

Prerequisites

- You have installed the **clairctl** command line utility tool.
- You have deployed Clair.
- The disable updaters and airgap parameters are set to true in your Clair config.yaml file.
- You have exported the updaters bundle from a Clair instance that has access to the internet.

Procedure

1. Determine your Clair database service by using the **oc** CLI tool, for example:

\$ oc get svc -n quay-enterprise

Example output

```
NAME TYPE CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S)
AGE
example-registry-clair-app ClusterIP 172.30.224.93 <none>
80/TCP,8089/TCP 4d21h
example-registry-clair-postgres ClusterIP 172.30.246.88 <none> 5432/TCP
4d21h
...
```

2. Forward the Clair database port so that it is accessible from the local machine. For example:

\$ oc port-forward -n quay-enterprise service/example-registry-clair-postgres 5432:5432

3. Update your Clair **config.yaml** file, for example:

- Replace the value of the **host** in the multiple **connstring** fields with **localhost**.
- For more information about the **rhel-repository-scanner** parameter, see "Mapping repositories to Common Product Enumeration information".
- For more information about the **rhel_containerscanner** parameter, see "Mapping repositories to Common Product Enumeration information".

8.2.5. Importing the updaters bundle into the disconnected OpenShift Container Platform cluster

Use the following procedure to import the updaters bundle into your disconnected OpenShift Container Platform cluster.

Prerequisites

• You have installed the **clairctl** command line utility tool.

- You have deployed Clair.
- The disable_updaters and airgap parameters are set to true in your Clair config.yaml file.
- You have exported the updaters bundle from a Clair instance that has access to the internet.
- You have transferred the updaters bundle into your disconnected environment.

Procedure

• Use the **clairctl** CLI tool to import the updaters bundle into the Clair database that is deployed by OpenShift Container Platform:

\$./clairctl --config ./clair-config.yaml import-updaters updates.gz

8.3. MAPPING REPOSITORIES TO COMMON PRODUCT ENUMERATION INFORMATION



NOTE

Currently, mapping repositories to Common Product Enumeration information is not supported on IBM Power and IBM Z.

Clair's Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) scanner relies on a Common Product Enumeration (CPE) file to map RPM packages to the corresponding security data to produce matching results. These files are owned by product security and updated daily.

The CPE file must be present, or access to the file must be allowed, for the scanner to properly process RPM packages. If the file is not present, RPM packages installed in the container image will not be scanned.

Table 8.1. Clair CPE mapping files

CPE	Link to JSON mapping file
repos2cpe	Red Hat Repository-to-CPE JSON
names2repos	Red Hat Name-to-Repos JSON.

In addition to uploading CVE information to the database for disconnected Clair installations, you must also make the mapping file available locally:

- For standalone Red Hat Quay and Clair deployments, the mapping file must be loaded into the Clair pod.
- For Red Hat Quay on OpenShift Container Platform deployments, you must set the Clair component to **unmanaged**. Then, Clair must be deployed manually, setting the configuration to load a local copy of the mapping file.

8.3.1. Mapping repositories to Common Product Enumeration example configuration

Use the **repo2cpe_mapping_file** and **name2repos_mapping_file** fields in your Clair configuration to include the CPE JSON mapping files. For example:

```
indexer:
    scanner:
    repo:
    rhel-repository-scanner:
        repo2cpe_mapping_file: /data/cpe-map.json
    package:
    rhel_containerscanner:
        name2repos_mapping_file: /data/repo-map.json
```

For more information, see How to accurately match OVAL security data to installed RPMs .

CHAPTER 9. CLAIR CONFIGURATION OVERVIEW

Clair is configured by a structured YAML file. Each Clair node needs to specify what mode it will run in and a path to a configuration file through CLI flags or environment variables. For example:

\$ clair -conf ./path/to/config.yaml -mode indexer

or

\$ clair -conf ./path/to/config.yaml -mode matcher

The aforementioned commands each start two Clair nodes using the same configuration file. One runs the indexing facilities, while other runs the matching facilities.

If you are running Clair in **combo** mode, you must supply the indexer, matcher, and notifier configuration blocks in the configuration.

9.1. INFORMATION ABOUT USING CLAIR IN A PROXY ENVIRONMENT

Environment variables respected by the Go standard library can be specified if needed, for example:

- HTTP_PROXY
 - \$ export HTTP_PROXY=http://<user_name>:<password>@<proxy_host>:<proxy_port>
- HTTPS_PROXY.
 - \$ export HTTPS_PROXY=https://<user_name>:<password>@<proxy_host>:<proxy_port>
- SSL_CERT_DIR
 - \$ export SSL_CERT_DIR=/<path>/<to>/<ssl>/<certificates>
- NO PROXY
 - \$ export NO_PROXY=<comma_separated_list_of_hosts_and_domains>

If you are using a proxy server in your environment with Clair's updater URLs, you must identify which URL needs to be added to the proxy allowlist to ensure that Clair can access them unimpeded. For example, the **osv** updater requires access to **https://osv-vulnerabilities.storage.googleapis.com** to fetch ecosystem data dumps. In this scenario, the URL must be added to the proxy allowlist. For a full list of updater URLs, see "Clair updater URLs".

You must also ensure that the standard Clair URLs are added to the proxy allowlist:

- https://search.maven.org/solrsearch/select
- https://catalog.redhat.com/api/containers/
- https://access.redhat.com/security/data/metrics/repository-to-cpe.json
- https://access.redhat.com/security/data/metrics/container-name-repos-map.json

When configuring the proxy server, take into account any authentication requirements or specific proxy settings needed to enable seamless communication between Clair and these URLs. By thoroughly documenting and addressing these considerations, you can ensure that Clair functions effectively while routing its updater traffic through the proxy.

9.2. CLAIR CONFIGURATION REFERENCE

The following YAML shows an example Clair configuration:

```
http_listen_addr: ""
introspection addr: ""
log level: ""
tls: {}
indexer:
  connstring: ""
  scanlock_retry: 0
  layer_scan_concurrency: 5
  migrations: false
  scanner: {}
  airgap: false
matcher:
  connstring: ""
  indexer addr: ""
  migrations: false
  period: ""
  disable_updaters: false
  update_retention: 2
matchers:
  names: nil
  config: nil
updaters:
  sets: nil
  config: nil
notifier:
  connstring: ""
  migrations: false
  indexer addr: ""
  matcher addr: ""
  poll interval: ""
  delivery_interval: ""
  disable_summary: false
  webhook: null
  amqp: null
  stomp: null
auth:
 psk: nil
trace:
  name: ""
  probability: null
  jaeger:
     agent:
       endpoint: ""
     collector:
       endpoint: ""
       username: null
```

```
password: null
service_name: ""
tags: nil
buffer_max: 0
metrics:
name: ""
prometheus:
endpoint: null
dogstatsd:
url: ""
```



NOTE

The above YAML file lists every key for completeness. Using this configuration file as-is will result in some options not having their defaults set normally.

9.3. CLAIR GENERAL FIELDS

The following table describes the general configuration fields available for a Clair deployment.

Field	Typhttp_listen _ae	Description
http_listen_addr	String	Configures where the HTTP API is exposed. Default: :6060
introspection_addr	String	Configures where Clair's metrics and health endpoints are exposed.
log_level	String	Sets the logging level. Requires one of the following strings: debug-color, debug, info, warn, error, fatal, panic
tls	String	A map containing the configuration for serving the HTTP API of TLS/SSL and HTTP/2.
.cert	String	The TLS certificate to be used. Must be a full-chain certificate.

Example configuration for general Clair fields

The following example shows a Clair configuration.

Example configuration for general Clair fields

...

http_listen_addr: 0.0.0.0:6060 introspection_addr: 0.0.0.0:8089

log_level: info

...

9.4. CLAIR INDEXER CONFIGURATION FIELDS

The following table describes the configuration fields for Clair's **indexer** component.

Field	Туре	Description
indexer	Object	Provides Clair indexer node configuration.
.airgap	Boolean	Disables HTTP access to the internet for indexers and fetchers. Private IPv4 and IPv6 addresses are allowed. Database connections are unaffected.
.connstring	String	A Postgres connection string. Accepts format as a URL or libpq connection string.
.index_report_request_concurrency	Integer	Rate limits the number of index report creation requests. Setting this to 0 attemps to auto-size this value. Setting a negative value means unlimited. The auto-sizing is a multiple of the number of available cores. The API returns a 429 status code if concurrency is exceeded.
.scanlock_retry	Integer	A positive integer representing seconds. Concurrent indexers lock on manifest scans to avoid clobbering. This value tunes how often a waiting indexer polls for the lock.
.layer_scan_concurrency	Integer	Positive integer limiting the number of concurrent layer scans. Indexers will match a manifest's layer concurrently. This value tunes the number of layers an indexer scans in parallel.
.migrations	Boolean	Whether indexer nodes handle migrations to their database.

Field	Туре	Description
.scanner	String	Indexer configuration. Scanner allows for passing configuration options to layer scanners. The scanner will have this configuration pass to it on construction if designed to do so.
.scanner.dist	String	A map with the name of a particular scanner and arbitrary YAML as a value.
.scanner.package	String	A map with the name of a particular scanner and arbitrary YAML as a value.
.scanner.repo	String	A map with the name of a particular scanner and arbitrary YAML as a value.

Example indexer configuration

The following example shows a hypothetical indexer configuration for Clair.

Example indexer configuration

```
# ...
indexer:
connstring: host=quay-server.example.com port=5433 dbname=clair user=clairuser
password=clairpass sslmode=disable
scanlock_retry: 10
layer_scan_concurrency: 5
migrations: true
# ...
```

9.5. CLAIR MATCHER CONFIGURATION FIELDS

The following table describes the configuration fields for Clair's **matcher** component.



NOTE

Differs from **matchers** configuration fields.

Field	Туре	Description
matcher	Object	Provides Clair matcher node configuration.

Field	Туре	Description
.cache_age	String	Controls how long users should be hinted to cache responses for.
.connstring	String	A Postgres connection string. Accepts format as a URL or libpq connection string.
.max_conn_pool	Integer	Limits the database connection pool size. Clair allows for a custom connection pool size. This number directly sets how many active database connections are allowed concurrently. This parameter will be ignored in a future version. Users should configure this through the connection string.
.indexer_addr	String	A matcher contacts an indexer to create a vulnerability report. The location of this indexer is required. Defaults to 30m .
.migrations	Boolean	Whether matcher nodes handle migrations to their databases.
.period	String	Determines how often updates for new security advisories take place. Defaults to 30m .
.disable_updaters	Boolean	Whether to run background updates or not. Default: False

Field	Туре	Description
.update_retention	Integer	Sets the number of update operations to retain between garbage collection cycles. This should be set to a safe MAX value based on database size constraints. Defaults to 10m . If a value of less than 0 is provided, garbage collection is disabled. 2 is the minimum value to ensure updates can be compared to notifications.

Example matcher configuration

Example matcher configuration

```
# ...
matcher:
connstring: >-
host=<DB_HOST> port=5432 dbname=<matcher> user=<DB_USER> password=D<B_PASS>
sslmode=verify-ca sslcert=/etc/clair/ssl/cert.pem sslkey=/etc/clair/ssl/key.pem
sslrootcert=/etc/clair/ssl/ca.pem
indexer_addr: http://clair-v4/
disable_updaters: false
migrations: true
period: 6h
update_retention: 2
# ...
```

9.6. CLAIR MATCHERS CONFIGURATION FIELDS

The following table describes the configuration fields for Clair's **matchers** component.



NOTE

Differs from matcher configuration fields.

Table 9.1. Matchers configuration fields

Field	Туре	Description
matchers	Array of strings	Provides configuration for the intree matchers .

Field	Туре	Description
.names	String	A list of string values informing the matcher factory about enabled matchers. If value is set to null , the default list of matchers run. The following strings are accepted: alpinematcher, aws-matcher, debianmatcher, gobin, java-maven, oracle, photon, python, rhel, rhel-container-matcher, ruby, suse, ubuntu-matcher
.config	String	Provides configuration to a specific matcher. A map keyed by the name of the matcher containing a sub-object which will be provided to the matchers factory constructor. For example:

Example matchers configuration

The following example shows a hypothetical Clair deployment that only requires only the **alpine**, **aws**, **debian**, **oracle** matchers.

Example matchers configuration

```
# ...
matchers:
names:
- "alpine-matcher"
- "aws"
- "debian"
- "oracle"
# ...
```

9.7. CLAIR UPDATERS CONFIGURATION FIELDS

The following table describes the configuration fields for Clair's **updaters** component.

Table 9.2. Updaters configuration fields

Field	Туре	Description
updaters	Object	Provides configuration for the matcher's update manager.

Field	Туре	Description
.sets	String	A list of values informing the update manager which updaters to run. If value is set to null , the default set of updaters runs the following: alpine , aws , clair.cvss , debian , oracle , photon , osv , rhel , rhcc suse , ubuntu If left blank, zero updaters run.
.config	String	Provides configuration to specific updater sets. A map keyed by the name of the updater set containing a subobject which will be provided to the updater set's constructor. For a list of the sub-objects for each updater, see "Advanced updater configuration".

Example updaters configuration

In the following configuration, only the **rhel** set is configured. The **ignore_unpatched** variable, which is specific to the **rhel** updater, is also defined.

Example updaters configuration

```
# ...
updaters:
sets:
- rhel
config:
rhel:
ignore_unpatched: false
# ...
```

9.8. CLAIR NOTIFIER CONFIGURATION FIELDS

The general notifier configuration fields for Clair are listed below.

Field	Туре	Description
notifier	Object	Provides Clair notifier node configuration.
.connstring	String	Postgres connection string. Accepts format as URL, or libpq connection string.

Field	Туре	Description
.migrations	Boolean	Whether notifier nodes handle migrations to their database.
.indexer_addr	String	A notifier contacts an indexer to create or obtain manifests affected by vulnerabilities. The location of this indexer is required.
.matcher_addr	String	A notifier contacts a matcher to list update operations and acquire diffs. The location of this matcher is required.
.poll_interval	String	The frequency at which the notifier will query a matcher for update operations.
.delivery_interval	String	The frequency at which the notifier attempts delivery of created, or previously failed, notifications.
.disable_summary	Boolean	Controls whether notifications should be summarized to one per manifest.

Example notifier configuration

The following **notifier** snippet is for a minimal configuration.

Example notifier configuration

```
# ...
notifier:
 connstring: >-
  host=DB_HOST port=5432 dbname=notifier user=DB_USER password=DB_PASS
  sslmode=verify-ca sslcert=/etc/clair/ssl/cert.pem sslkey=/etc/clair/ssl/key.pem
  sslrootcert=/etc/clair/ssl/ca.pem
 indexer addr: http://clair-v4/
 matcher_addr: http://clair-v4/
 delivery_interval: 5s
 migrations: true
 poll interval: 15s
 webhook:
  target: "http://webhook/"
  callback: "http://clair-notifier/notifier/api/v1/notifications"
  headers: ""
 amqp: null
 stomp: null
```

9.8.1. Clair webhook configuration fields

The following webhook fields are available for the Clair notifier environment.

Table 9.3. Clair webhook fields

.webhook	Object	Configures the notifier for webhook delivery.
.webhook.target	String	URL where the webhook will be delivered.
.webhook.callback	String	The callback URL where notifications can be retrieved. The notification ID will be appended to this URL. This will typically be where the Clair notifier is hosted.
.webhook.headers	String	A map associating a header name to a list of values.

Example webhook configuration

Example webhook configuration

```
# ...
notifier:
# ...
webhook:
target: "http://webhook/"
callback: "http://clair-notifier/notifier/api/v1/notifications"
# ...
```

9.8.2. Clair ampp configuration fields

The following Advanced Message Queuing Protocol (AMQP) fields are available for the Clair notifier environment.

.amqp	Object	Configures the notifier for AMQP delivery.
		[NOTE] ==== Clair does not declare any AMQP components on its own. All attempts to use an exchange or queue are passive only and will fail. Broker administrators should setup exchanges and queues ahead of time. ====

.amqp.direct	Boolean	If true , the notifier will deliver individual notifications (not a callback) to the configured AMQP broker.
.amqp.rollup	Integer	When amqp.direct is set to true , this value informs the notifier of how many notifications to send in a direct delivery. For example, if direct is set to true , and amqp.rollup is set to 5 , the notifier delivers no more than 5 notifications in a single JSON payload to the broker. Setting the value to 0 effectively sets it to 1 .
.amqp.exchange	Object	The AMQP exchange to connect to.
.amqp.exchange.name	String	The name of the exchange to connect to.
.amqp.exchange.type	String	The type of the exchange. Typically one of the following: direct, fanout, topic, headers.
.amqp.exchange.durability	Boolean	Whether the configured queue is durable.
.amqp.exchange.auto_delete	Boolean	Whether the configured queue uses an auto_delete_policy .
.amqp.routing_key	String	The name of the routing key each notification is sent with.
.amqp.callback	String	If amqp.direct is set to false , this URL is provided in the notification callback sent to the broker. This URL should point to Clair's notification API endpoint.
.amqp.uris	String	A list of one or more AMQP brokers to connect to, in priority order.
.amqp.tls	Object	Configures TLS/SSL connection to an AMQP broker.
.amqp.tls.root_ca	String	The filesystem path where a root CA can be read.

.amqp.tls.cert	String	The filesystem path where a TLS/SSL certificate can be read. [NOTE] ==== Clair also allows SSL_CERT_DIR, as documented for the Go crypto/x509 package. ====
.amqp.tls.key	String	The filesystem path where a TLS/SSL private key can be read.

Example AMQP configuration

The following example shows a hypothetical AMQP configuration for Clair.

Example AMQP configuration

```
# ...
notifier:
# ...
 amqp:
  exchange:
     name: ""
     type: "direct"
     durable: true
     auto_delete: false
  uris: ["amqp://user:pass@host:10000/vhost"]
  direct: false
  routing_key: "notifications"
  callback: "http://clair-notifier/notifier/api/v1/notifications"
   root_ca: "optional/path/to/rootca"
   cert: "madatory/path/to/cert"
   key: "madatory/path/to/key"
```

9.8.3. Clair STOMP configuration fields

The following Simple Text Oriented Message Protocol (STOMP) fields are available for the Clair notifier environment.

.stomp	Object	Configures the notifier for STOMP delivery.
.stomp.direct	Boolean	If true , the notifier delivers individual notifications (not a callback) to the configured STOMP broker.

.stomp	Object	Configures the notifier for STOMP delivery.
.stomp.rollup	Integer	If stomp.direct is set to true , this value limits the number of notifications sent in a single direct delivery. For example, if direct is set to true , and rollup is set to 5 , the notifier delivers no more than 5 notifications in a single JSON payload to the broker. Setting the value to 0 effectively sets it to 1 .
.stomp.callback	String	If stomp.callback is set to false , the provided URL in the notification callback is sent to the broker. This URL should point to Clair's notification API endpoint.
.stomp.destination	String	The STOMP destination to deliver notifications to.
.stomp.uris	String	A list of one or more STOMP brokers to connect to in priority order.
.stomp.tls	Object	Configured TLS/SSL connection to STOMP broker.
.stomp.tls.root_ca	String	The filesystem path where a root CA can be read. [NOTE] ==== Clair also respects SSL_CERT_DIR, as documented for the Go crypto/x509 package. ====
.stomp.tls.cert	String	The filesystem path where a TLS/SSL certificate can be read.
.stomp.tls.key	String	The filesystem path where a TLS/SSL private key can be read.
.stomp.user	String	Configures login details for the STOMP broker.
.stomp.user.login	String	The STOMP login to connect with.
.stomp.user.passcode	String	The STOMP passcode to connect with.

Example STOMP configuration

The following example shows a hypothetical STOMP configuration for Clair.

Example STOMP configuration

```
# ...
notifier:
# ...
stomp:
desitnation: "notifications"
direct: false
callback: "http://clair-notifier/notifier/api/v1/notifications"
login:
login: "username"
passcode: "passcode"
tls:
root_ca: "optional/path/to/rootca"
cert: "madatory/path/to/cert"
key: "madatory/path/to/key"
# ...
```

9.9. CLAIR AUTHORIZATION CONFIGURATION FIELDS

The following authorization configuration fields are available for Clair.

Field	Туре	Description
auth	Object	Defines Clair's external and intraservice JWT based authentication. If multiple auth mechanisms are defined, Clair picks one. Currently, multiple mechanisms are unsupported.
.psk	String	Defines pre-shared key authentication.
.psk.key	String	A shared base64 encoded key distributed between all parties signing and verifying JWTs.
.psk.iss	String	A list of JWT issuers to verify. An empty list accepts any issuer in a JWT claim.

Example authorization configuration

The following **authorization** snippet is for a minimal configuration.

Example authorization configuration

...

```
auth:
psk:
key: MTU5YzA4Y2ZkNzJoMQ== 1
iss: ["quay"]
# ...
```

9.10. CLAIR TRACE CONFIGURATION FIELDS

The following trace configuration fields are available for Clair.

Field	Туре	Description
trace	Object	Defines distributed tracing configuration based on OpenTelemetry.
.name	String	The name of the application traces will belong to.
.probability	Integer	The probability a trace will occur.
.jaeger	Object	Defines values for Jaeger tracing.
.jaeger.agent	Object	Defines values for configuring delivery to a Jaeger agent.
.jaeger.agent.endpoint	String	An address in the <host>:</host> <post></post> syntax where traces can be submitted.
.jaeger.collector	Object	Defines values for configuring delivery to a Jaeger collector.
.jaeger.collector.endpoint	String	An address in the <host>:</host> <post></post> syntax where traces can be submitted.
.jaeger.collector.username	String	A Jaeger username.
.jaeger.collector.password	String	A Jaeger password.
.jaeger.service_name	String	The service name registered in Jaeger.
.jaeger.tags	String	Key-value pairs to provide additional metadata.

Field	Туре	Description
.jaeger.buffer_max	Integer	The maximum number of spans that can be buffered in memory before they are sent to the Jaeger backend for storage and analysis.

Example trace configuration

The following example shows a hypothetical trace configuration for Clair.

Example trace configuration

```
# ...
trace:
name: "jaeger"
probability: 1
jaeger:
agent:
endpoint: "localhost:6831"
service_name: "clair"
# ...
```

9.11. CLAIR METRICS CONFIGURATION FIELDS

The following metrics configuration fields are available for Clair.

Field	Туре	Description
metrics	Object	Defines distributed tracing configuration based on OpenTelemetry.
.name	String	The name of the metrics in use.
.prometheus	String	Configuration for a Prometheus metrics exporter.
.prometheus.endpoint	String	Defines the path where metrics are served.

Example metrics configuration

The following example shows a hypothetical metrics configuration for Clair.

Example metrics configuration

```
# ...
metrics:
name: "prometheus"
```

prometheus: endpoint: "/metricsz"