



# VxRail Appliance Administration - Classroom

**Course Description** 

Course Duration 3 Days

### Overview

This course presents the knowledge necessary to administer and manage a VxRail Cluster. Key topics include management interfaces, managing cluster configurations, resource provisioning and expansion, monitoring, managing availability, and basic troubleshooting. Hands on labs included in the course provide a step-by step walkthrough of the key procedures to manage the cluster.

## Audience

This course is intended for customers, partners and Dell EMC employees who will be responsible for administering and managing VxRail Clusters.

# Prerequisite Knowledge/Skills

This course assumes that the students are familiar with:

- VxRail Appliance architecture and theory of operation
- IP networking and configurations
- VMware vCenter Server to configure virtual resources

The VxRail Appliance 4.7.XXX Concepts On Demand course and the VMware vSphere: Install, Configure, Manage course or equivalent knowledge are recommended.

# **Course Objectives**

Upon successful completion of this course, participants should be able to:

- Describe the VxRail Appliance system architecture and components
- Manage a VxRail cluster using vCenter and the VxRail Manager Plugin for vCenter
- Configure and provision resources on a VxRail cluster
- Monitor system status, health and performance
- Maintain the system, and troubleshoot basic system issues

# **Course Outline**

The content of this course is designed to support the course objectives.

- Module 1 VxRail Overview
  - VxRail Overview
  - Network Considerations

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- Documentation and Resources
- Lab: Explore VxRail Documentation
- Module 2 Administration and Management Overview
  - Introduction to VxRail Management Interfaces
  - vSAN Overview
  - VxRail Configurations
  - Lab: Explore VxRail Cluster with vSphere Client and VxRail Plug-in
  - Lab: Explore iDRAC and ESXi Shell
- Module 3 VxRail Management
  - VxRail Plug-in Overview
  - Monitoring VxRail
  - VxRail Roles and Permissions
  - Lab: Monitoring with VxRail Plug-in
- Module 4 Managing vSAN
  - vSAN Configuration
  - Storage Policies
  - Monitoring vSAN Cluster
  - vSAN Availability
  - Lab: Manage vSAN Storage Policies
  - Lab: Monitor Health and Performance of VxRail vSAN Cluster
  - Lab: FTT/FTM/Fault Domain Interactions
- Module 5 Managing Virtualization
  - vSphere Concepts and Functions
  - Managing Virtual Machines
  - Managing Virtual Networks
  - Dell EMC OpenManage Network Integration (OMNI) for VMware vCenter
  - Lab: VM Deployment with vSAN Storage Policy
  - Lab: Configure vDS Port Group
  - Module 6 Availability Management
    - Availability Features
    - VxRail Data Protection Options
    - Stretched Clusters
    - Lab: Restart VM using HA
    - Lab: Node Utilization and Failover
- Module 7 Maintenance and Troubleshooting
  - Maintenance Procedures
  - Drive Expansion
  - Cluster Expansion
  - Software Upgrade
  - Log Collection

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- Troubleshooting
- Lab: Generate VxRail procedures with SolVe Online
- Guided Simulation Cluster Expansion
- Lab: Log Collection
- Lab: View VxRail Advisories and Knowledgebase Articles

In addition to lecture and demonstrations, this course includes labs designed to allow practical experience for the participant.

## **Course Delivery Modes and Product Version Information**

Refer to the **Product Version Description** document for a list of Delivery Modes and product versions covered by this course.

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