

OKD Training - Detailed Course Outline

Duration: 80 Hours

1. Introduction to OKD and Containers

- Understanding containerization (Docker, Kubernetes)
- Benefits of using OKD
- Key OKD components (Master, Nodes, etc.)
- OKD architecture overview
- OKD vs. Kubernetes
- Introduction to Red Hat OKD's ecosystem

Lab:

- ✓ Deploy Docker and Kubernetes on VMware VMs
- ✓ Setup OKD CLI and Web Console

2. Planning and Pre-requisites (Theoretical)

- Resource Sizing
- Network Planning
- DNS Planning
- Load Balancer Planning
- SSL Certificates

3. Installation and Configuration

- Setting up OKD clusters (single-node, multi-node)
- Preparing infrastructure for OKD (bare metal, virtual machines, cloud environments)
- Installation methods (OC, Ansible, OKD Installer)
- Configuring and managing OKD with `oc` command line tool

- Managing user access (Role-Based Access Control, Identity providers)
- Storage configurations and persistent volumes (OKD Storage)

Lab:

- ✓ Install OKD using IPI (Installer Provisioned Infrastructure)
- ✓ Configure a multi-node OKD cluster on VMware
- ✓ Validate cluster installation

4. OKD Core Concepts

- Projects and Namespaces
- Understanding pods, containers, and services
- Deployments, deployment configurations, and deployment strategies (Rolling, Recreate, etc.)
- OKD networking (Services, Routes, Network Policies)
- Understanding and using Kubernetes concepts (ReplicaSets, Pods, Deployments, StatefulSets)

Lab:

- ✓ Create and manage namespaces and pods
- ✓ Configure deployment strategies and replicas

5. Security and Authentication

- OKD security policies
- Managing Users using HTPasswd
- User roles and permissions (RBAC)
- Security in containerized applications (Image security, vulnerability scanning)
- Managing network security with Network Policies

Lab:

- ✓ Configure Htpasswd Authentication
- ✓ Define RBAC policies and roles

✓ Apply NetworkPolicies between pods

6. OKD Storage

- Persistent storage concepts in OKD
- Using dynamic provisioning (StorageClass, Persistent Volumes)
- Configuring StatefulSets with persistent storage
- OKD Container Storage (OCS)
- Integrate NFS Storage with OpenShift

Lab:

- ✓ Configure storage classes
- ✓ Creating Persistent Volume (PV) Using HostPath, NFS)
- ✓ Creating PVC and Attach with Pod
- ✓ Deploy StatefulSets with persistent storage

7. Networking in OKD

- OKD networking overview
- Services, Routes, and Ingress
- DNS and load balancing in OKD
- NetworkPolicy and PodSecurityPolicy
- Managing network traffic and ingress controllers

Lab:

- ✓ Configure services and routes
- ✓ Define and apply NetworkPolicies
- ✓ Setup ingress controllers and load balancing

8. Monitoring and Logging

- Monitoring tools in OKD (Prometheus, Grafana)
- Cluster metrics and alerting

- OKD logging stack (Elasticsearch, Fluentd, Kibana - EFK)
- Centralized logging and troubleshooting logs
- Health checks, probes (Liveness, Readiness)

Lab:

- ✓ Explore Logging and Monitoring in OKD
- ✓ Configure probes and health checks

9. High Availability and Scaling

- Configuring and managing high availability in OKD
- Managing clusters with multiple master nodes Methods
- Pod scaling, resource management
- Load balancing and traffic routing
- Cluster maintenance and upgrades (rolling updates)

Lab:

- ✓ Setup pod autoscaling
- ✓ Configuring Resources for Pods (CPU, RAM)

10. OKD Operators and Custom Resources

- What are Operators and why they are useful
- Deploying and managing Operators
- Understanding Custom Resource Definitions (CRDs)

Lab:

- ✓ Install and manage Operators
- ✓ Deploy and manage CRDs

11. Managing Applications in OKD

- Application deployment (using YAML files, templates, operators)
- Deploying from source code (Source-to-Image, GitOps, CI/CD with Jenkins)

- Managing application scaling (Horizontal Pod Autoscaling, resource requests, and limits)
- Using OKD templates and Helm charts for deployment
- Configuration management with ConfigMaps and Secrets

Lab:

- ✓ Deploy an application using templates and Helm
- ✓ Create a CI pipeline for application deployment

12. CI/CD Pipelines

- Introduction to CI/CD with OKD
- Jenkins on OKD (integration, builds, deployment pipelines)
- Automated deployments
- Managing GitOps with OKD
- Integrating with third-party CI/CD tools

Lab:

- ✓ Configure Jenkins with OKD
- ✓ Implement a GitOps pipeline for OKD
- ✓ Deploy an application using GitOps

13. Troubleshooting and Debugging

- Common issues in OKD clusters and their solutions
- Troubleshooting applications, pods, and nodes
- Understanding logs and events
- Using diagnostic tools (`oc adm``, `oc logs``, `oc describe``)
- Debugging using kubectl and OKD CLI tools

14. OKD for Developers

- Introduction to OKD for developers (Web console and CLI)

- Using Source-to-Image (S2I) for application deployment
- Building and pushing container images
- Managing environment variables, configuration, and secrets
- Working with OKD Templates for developers

Lab:

- ✓ Build and deploy an application using S2I
- ✓ Customizing S2I Images
- ✓ Create OKD templates for developers

15. Istio Service Mesh

- Service Mesh with Istio and OKD Service Mesh

Lab:

- ✓ Configure Istio with OKD
- ✓ Working with Istio Kiali for Traffic Management

16. Provisioning Workload via IaC Tool Terraform

- Basics of Terraform
- What is required to set up Terraform
- OKD on public cloud platforms (AWS, Azure, Google Cloud & on-prem)
- Pre-requisite for OKD or Kubernetes deployment via Terraform
- Deploy one cluster using Terraform

Lab:

- ✓ Install and configure Terraform
- ✓ Creation of ARO Cluster using Terraform

17. Best Practices and Real-World Scenarios

- Cluster scaling strategies

- Securing applications and infrastructure
- Cost optimization for OKD
- Managing disaster recovery and backup strategies
- Performance tuning and optimization