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# Preface

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## Audience

The *CTE Agent for Linux Quick Start Guide* is intended for system administrators who install and configure CipherTrust Transparent Encryption (CTE) on Linux.

## The CTE Agent Documentation Set

The following guides are available for CTE Agent:

- *CTE Agent for Linux Quick Start Guide*
- *CTE Agent for Linux Advanced Configuration and Integration Guide*
- *CTE Agent for Windows Quick Start Guide*
- *CTE Agent for Windows Advanced Configuration and Integration Guide*
- *CTE Agent for AIX Installation and Configuration Guide*
- *CTE Data Transformation Guide*
- *CTE-Live Data Transformation with Data Security Manager*
- *CTE-Live Data Transformation with CipherTrust Manager*
- *Compatibility Matrix for CTE Agent with CipherTrust Manager*
- *Compatibility Matrix for CTE Agent with Data Security Manager*
- *Compatibility Matrix for CTE Agent for AIX with CipherTrust Manager*
- *Compatibility Matrix for CTE Agent for AIX with Data Security Manager*
- *Release Notes for CTE for Linux Version 7.1.0.66*
- *Release Notes for CTE for Windows Version 7.1.0.66*
- *Release Notes for CTE for AIX Version 7.1.0.26*

To access any of these guides for the latest releases of CTE Agent, go to <https://thalesdocs.com/ctp/cte/index.html>.

## Document Conventions

The document conventions describe common typographical conventions and important notice and warning formats used in Thales technical publications.

## Typographical Conventions

This section lists the common typographical conventions for Thales technical publications.

**Table 3-1: Typographical Conventions**

Convention	Usage	Example
<b>bold regular font</b>	GUI labels and options	Click the <b>System</b> tab and select <b>General Preferences</b> .

**Table 3-1: Typographical Conventions (continued)**

Convention	Usage	Example
<b><i>bold italic monospaced font</i></b>	Variables or text to be replaced	https://< <i>Token Server name</i> >/admin/ Enter password: < <i>Password</i> >
regular monospaced font	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Commands and code examples</li><li>XML examples</li></ul>	session start iptarget=192.168.253.102
<i>italic regular font</i>	GUI dialog box titles	The <i>General Preferences</i> window opens.
	File names, paths, and directories	/usr/bin/
	Emphasis	<i>Do not</i> resize the page.
	New terminology	<i>Key Management Interoperability Protocol (KMIP)</i>
	Document titles	See <i>CTE Agent for Linux Quick Start Guide</i> for information about CipherTrust Transparent Encryption.
quotes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>File extensions</li><li>Attribute values</li><li>Terms used in special senses</li></ul>	"js", ".ext" "true" "false", "0" "1+1" hot standby failover

## Notes, Tips, Cautions, and Warnings

Notes, tips, cautions, and warning statements may be used in this document.

A Note provides guidance or a recommendation, emphasizes important information, or provides a reference to related information. For example:

### Note

It is recommended to keep tokenization keys separate from the other encryption/decryption keys.

A tip is used to highlight information that helps you complete a task more efficiently, such as a best practice or an alternate method of performing the task.

### Tip

You can also use Ctrl+C to copy and Ctrl+P to paste.

Caution statements are used to alert you to important information that may help prevent unexpected results or data loss. For example:



### CAUTION

**Make a note of this passphrase. If you lose it, the card will be unusable.**

A warning statement alerts you to situations that can be potentially hazardous to you or cause damage to hardware, firmware, software, or data. For example:



**WARNING**

**Do not delete keys without first backing them up. All data that has been encrypted with deleted keys cannot be restored or accessed once the keys are gone.**

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# Chapter 1: Overview of CTE

This document describes how to install CipherTrust Transparent Encryption (CTE) to protect data on physical or virtual machines.

CTE protects data at rest, residing on Direct Attached Storage (DAS), Network Attached Storage (NAS) or Storage Area Networks (SAN). This can be a mapped drive or mounted disk, as well as through Universal Naming Convention paths.

CTE secures data with little impact to application performance. It requires no changes to your existing infrastructure and supports separation of duties between data owners, system administrators, and security administrators.

## CTE Terminology

The CTE documentation set uses the following terminology:

Term	Description
CTE	<p>CipherTrust Transparent Encryption is a suite of products that allow you to encrypt and guard your data. The main software component of CTE is the CTE Agent, which must be installed on every host whose devices you want to protect.</p> <div><b>Note</b> This suite was originally called Vormetric Transparent Encryption (VTE), and some of the names in the suite still use "Vormetric". For example, the default installation directory is <code>/opt/vormetric/DataSecurityExpert/agent/</code>.</div>
CTE Agent	The software that you install on a physical or virtual machine in order to encrypt and protect the data on that machine. After you have installed the CTE Agent on the machine, you can use CTE to protect any number of devices or directories on that machine.
key manager	An appliance that stores and manages data encryption keys, data access policies, administrative domains, and administrator profiles. Thales offers two key managers for use with CTE, the Vormetric Data Security Manager (DSM) and CipherTrust Manager.
host / client	<p>In this documentation, host and client are used interchangeably to refer to the physical or virtual machine on which the CTE Agent is installed.</p> <p>The difference comes from the key manager you are using. The DSM refers to the machines as hosts, while the CipherTrust Manager refers to them as clients.</p>
GuardPoint	A device or directory to which a CTE data protection and encryption policy has been applied. CTE will control access to, and monitor changes in, this device and directory, encrypting new or changed information as needed.

## CTE Components

The CTE solution consists of two parts:

- The *CTE Agent software* that resides on each protected virtual or physical machine (host). The CTE Agent performs the required data encryption and enforces the access policies sent to it by the *key manager*. The communication between the CTE Agent and the key manager is encrypted and secure.

After the CTE Agent has encrypted a device on a host, that device is called a *GuardPoint*. You can use CTE to create GuardPoints on servers on-site, in the cloud, or a hybrid of both.



- A *key manager* that stores and manages data encryption keys, data access policies, administrative domains, and administrator profiles. After you install the CTE Agent on a host and register it with a key manager, you can use the key manager to specify which devices on the host that you want to protect, what encryption keys are used to protect those devices, and what access policies are enforced on those devices.

Thales offers two key managers that work with CTE:

- CipherTrust Manager, Thales's next generation key manager that supports most CTE for Linux features.
- The *Vormetric Data Security Manager* (DSM), Thales's legacy key manager that supports all CTE for Linux features.

Both key managers can be set up as either a security-hardened physical appliance or a virtual appliance. Both provide access to the protected hosts through a browser-based, graphical user interface as well as an API and a CLI. Thales recommends that you use the CipherTrust Manager unless you need a feature that is only supported by the DSM, as described below.

CipherTrust Manager versions 2.2 and higher support all CTE for Linux features *except* for the following:

- Container Security
- CTE-Efficient Storage
- CTE-Live Data Transformation over NFS shares

For details about any of these features, see the *CTE Agent for Linux Advanced Configuration and Integration Guide* and *CTE-Live Data Transformation with Data Security Manager*.

Support for these features will be included in future releases of the CipherTrust Manager.

You must select one and only one key manager per host or host group. While you could have some hosts registered with a CipherTrust Manager and some registered with a DSM, you cannot have the same host registered to both a CipherTrust Manager and a DSM.

#### Note

For a list of CTE versions and supported operating systems, see the [CTE Compatibility Portal](#) or the *Compatibility Matrix for CTE Agent with CipherTrust Manager* and the *Compatibility Matrix for CTE Agent with Data Security Manager*.

All CTE documentation is available at <https://thalesdocs.com/ctp/cte/index.html>.

## How to Protect Data with CTE

CTE uses policies created in the associated key manager to protect data. You can create policies to specify file encryption, data access, and auditing on specific directories and drives on your protected hosts. Each GuardPoint must have one and only one associated policy, but each policy can be associated with any number of GuardPoints.

Policies specify:

- Whether or not the resting files are encrypted.
- Who can access decrypted files and when.
- What level of file access auditing is applied when generating fine-grained audit trails.

A Security Administrator accesses the DSM or CipherTrust Manager through a web browser. You must have administrator privileges to create policies using either key manager. The CTE Agent then implements the policies once they are pushed to the protected host.

CTE can only enforce security and key selection rules on files inside a guarded directory. If a GuardPoint is disabled, access to data in the directory goes undetected and ungoverned. Disabling a GuardPoint and then allowing unrestricted access to that GuardPoint can result in data corruption.

## Chapter 2: Installation Overview

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In order to install and configure CTE, you need to perform the following high-level tasks:

1. Select which key manager you want to use. The Vormetric Data Security Manager and the CipherTrust Manager have different requirements and support different features, so you must make this decision first. For details, see ["CTE Components" on page 7](#).
2. Set up your systems according to the requirements of the selected key manager. For details, see one of the following:
  - [Chapter 3: "Configuring CTE for Linux with CipherTrust Manager" on page 10](#)
  - [Chapter 4: "Configuring CTE for Linux with a DSM" on page 20](#)
3. Create your policies, encryption keys, and GuardPoints using the selected key manager. For an example, see one of the following:
  - ["Guarding a Device with CipherTrust Manager" on page 14](#).
  - ["Guarding a Device with the DSM" on page 28](#).

**Note**

This document describes only the basic installation options for an interactive install. For additional options, such as the procedures for a silent installation or Linux package integration, see the *CTE Agent for Linux Advanced Configuration and Integration Guide*.

# Chapter 3: Configuring CTE for Linux with CipherTrust Manager

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This chapter describes how to install CTE on a Linux system using the standard, interactive installation script, then register that system with CipherTrust Manager and use CipherTrust Manager to create a standard GuardPoint on the Linux client.

If you want to register CTE with a Vormetric Data Security Manager (DSM), see [Chapter 4: "Configuring CTE for Linux with a DSM" on page 20](#).

This chapter contains the following topics:

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<a href="#">Installing and Registering CTE</a> .....	11
<a href="#">Guarding a Device with CipherTrust Manager</a> .....	14

## Installation Prerequisites

This section lists the tasks you must complete, and the information you must obtain, before installing CTE.

### Recommendations and Considerations

- The host on which you want to install CTE *must* support AES-NI hardware encryption. If it does not, any attempt to install or upgrade CTE to release 7.0.0 or later will fail.
- Thales recommends that you install CTE in the default location.
- Do not install CTE on network-mounted volumes such as NFS.
- Make the Installation root directory `/opt` a real directory. If `/opt` is a symlink, you **must** use the `-d` option to specify the installation directory, which must be a real directory.

For example:

```
# ./vee-fs-7.1.0-66-rh8-x86_64.bin -d /home/hello/
```

- Ensure read/write permission is granted to other users accessing your shared resource.

### Network Setup Requirements

- The IP addresses, routing configurations, and DNS addresses must allow connectivity of the CipherTrust Manager to all clients where you install CTE.
- If the host is a virtual machine, the VM must be deployed and running.

### Port Configuration Requirements

If a protected client must communicate with the CipherTrust Manager through a firewall, see the CipherTrust Manager documentation to determine which of the ports must be opened through the firewall.

The default port for communication between the CipherTrust Manager and the CTE Agent is 443. If this port is already in use, you can set the port to a different number during the CTE Agent installation.

## Installing and Registering CTE

Thales provides a standard interactive installation script that asks you a series of questions during the install. The script prompts you to register CTE with a key manager immediately after the installation has finished. CTE must be registered with a key manager before you can protect any of the devices on the host.

### Note

Do not install CTE on network-mounted volumes like NFS.

## Prerequisites

Make sure you have the following information from the CM Administrator:

- The registration token for the CipherTrust Manager with which you plan to register the CTE Agent.
- The name of the profile you intend to assign to the client if you want to use a profile other than the default client profile.
- Optionally, the name of the host group you want this client to be a part of.

## Procedure

1. Log on to the host where you will install the CTE Agent as `root`. You cannot install the CTE Agent without `root` access.
2. Copy or mount the installation file to the host system. If necessary, make the file executable with the `chmod` command.
3. Install the CTE Agent. A typical installation uses the following syntax:

```
# ./vee-fs-<release>-<build>-<system>.bin
```

For example:

```
# ./vee-fs-7.1.0-66-rh8-x86_64.bin
```

To install the CTE Agent in a custom directory, use the `-d <custom-dir>` option. For example:

```
# ./vee-fs-7.1.0-66-rh8-x86_64.bin -d /home/my-cte-dir/
```

**Note:** If possible, Thales recommends that you use the default directory `/opt/vormetric`.

To view all installer options, use the `-h` parameter. For example:

```
# ./vee-fs-7.1.0-66-rh8-x86_64.bin -h
```

4. The Thales License Agreement displays. When prompted, type **y** and press Enter to accept.

The install script installs the CTE Agent software in either `/opt/vormetric` or your custom installation directory and then prompts you about registering the CTE Agent with a key manager.

```
Welcome to the CipherTrust Transparent Encryption File System Agent
Registration Program.
```

```
Agent Type: CipherTrust Transparent Encryption File System Agent
Agent Version: 7.1.0.66
```

```
In order to register the CipherTrust Transparent Encryption File System Agent
with a Vormetric Data Security Manager
```

- 1) you must know the host name of the machine running the DSM (the host name is displayed on the Dashboard window of the Management Console), and
- 2) unless you intend to use the 'shared secret' registration method, the agent's host machine must be pre-configured on the DSM as a host with the 'Reg. Allowed' checkbox enabled for this agent type on the Hosts window of the Management Console.

```
In order to register with a CipherTrust Manager you need a valid registration
token from the CM.
```

```
Do you want to continue with agent registration? (Y/N) [Y]:
```

5. Enter **y** to continue with the registration process. The install script prompts you to enter the host name or IP address of the CipherTrust Manager with which you want to register CTE. For example:

```
Do you want to continue with agent registration? (Y/N) [Y]: y
```

```
Please enter the primary key manager host name: 10.3.200.141
```

```
You entered the host name 10.3.200.141
Is this host name correct? (Y/N) [Y]: y
```

6. Enter the client host name when prompted.

```
Please enter the host name of this machine, or select from the following
list.
```

```
[1] sys31186.qa.com
[2] 10.3.31.186
```

```
Enter a number, or type a different host name or IP address in manually:
What is the name of this machine? [1]: 2
You selected "10.3.31.186".
```

7. Enter the CipherTrust Manager registration token, profile name, host group and host description. If you omit the profile name, CipherTrust Manager associates the default client profile with this client.

```
Please enter the registration token: 12345
Please enter the profile name for this host: My-Profile
Please enter the host group name for this host, if any:
Please enter a description for this host: West Coast Datacenter server 5
```

```
Token           : 12345
Profile name     : My-Profile
Host Group      : (none)
Host description : West Coast Datacenter server 5
Are the above values correct? (Y/N) [Y]: Y
```

8. At the hardware association prompt, select whether you want to enable the hardware association feature to prevent cloned machines from accessing the key manager. The default is **y** (enabled):

```
It is possible to associate this installation with the hardware of this machine. If selected, the agent will not contact the key manager or use any cryptographic keys if any of this machine's hardware is changed. This can be rectified by running this registration program again.
Do you want to enable this functionality? (Y/N) [Y]: Y
```

9. At the LDT prompt, specify whether you want this client to use CipherTrust Transparent Encryption - Live Data Transformation (CTE-LDT).

```
Do you want this host to have LDT support enabled on the server? (Y/N) [N]: Y
```

10. At the Cloud Object Storage (COS) prompt, specify whether you want this client to use CTE COS.

```
Do you want to configure this host for Cloud Object Storage? (Y/N) [N]:
```

11. CTE finishes the installation and registration process.

```
Generating key pair for the kernel component...done.
Extracting SECFS key
Generating EC certificate signing request for the vmd...done.
Signing certificate...done.
Enrolling agent with service on 10.3.200.141...done.
Successfully registered the CipherTrust Transparent Encryption File System Agent with the
CipherTrust Manager on 10.3.200.141.

Installation success.
```

12. If you are using CipherTrust Manager version 2.2 or later, you can now use CipherTrust Manager to administer CTE on the client.

If you are using CipherTrust Manager version 2.1 or earlier, change the client password using the manual password creation method. This password allows users to access encrypted data if the client is ever disconnected from the CipherTrust Manager. For details on changing the password, see the CipherTrust Manager documentation.

## Guarding a Device with CipherTrust Manager

After you register a client with a CipherTrust Manager, you can create as many GuardPoints on the client as you need. These GuardPoints can protect an entire device or individual directories.

In order to guard a device or directory, you need to use the CipherTrust Manager Console to:

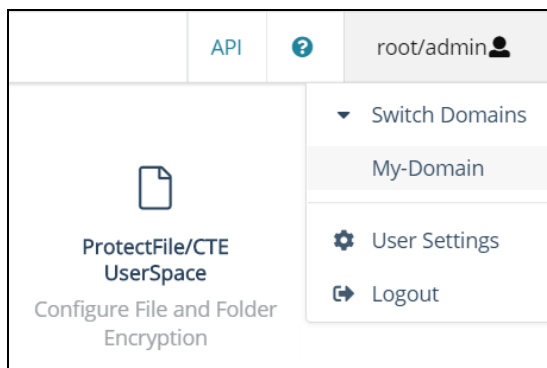
1. Access the CipherTrust Manager domain in which the client is registered.
2. Identify or create an encryption key that CTE will use to encrypt the data on the device or directory.
3. Identify or create a policy for the device or directory that specifies the access controls and the encryption keys to use for the device or directory.
4. Assign a GuardPoint to the device or directory.

The following example creates a simple policy and uses it to guard a directory on a registered client. For all of the following procedures, you must be logged into the CipherTrust Manager Console as a CipherTrust Manager Administrator, and you must be in the domain with which the client is registered.

For details about any of these procedures or the options for domains, encryption keys, policies, and GuardPoints, see the CipherTrust Manager documentation.

### Access the CipherTrust Manager Domain

1. In a web browser, navigate to the URL of the CipherTrust Manager Console you want to use and log in with CipherTrust Manager Administrator credentials.
2. If the client you want to protect is registered to the default domain (root), proceed to ["Create an Encryption Key" below](#). If you need to change to a different domain, do the following:
  - a. In the top menu bar, click the user name **root/admin** on the right-hand side.
  - b. Select **Switch Domains**, then select the domain in which the client is registered.
  - c. The logged in user now shows the new domain name/user name.



### Create an Encryption Key

#### Note

The following procedure is based on CipherTrust Manager version 2.2. If you are using a different version, see the CipherTrust Manager documentation for the version that you are using.

1. From the Products page in the CipherTrust Manager Console, click **Keys** in the left hand pane.

**Tip:** To navigate to the Products page from anywhere in the CipherTrust Manager Console, click the App Switcher icon in the top left corner.

2. Above the Key table, click **Create a New Key**.
3. In the **Key Name** field, add a name for the key. This name must be unique. For example, Simple-Key.
4. In the **Key Usage** section, make sure **Encrypt** and **Decrypt** are selected.
5. Click **Create**. CipherTrust Manager displays the properties for the new key.
6. In the general options area, enable the **Exportable** option.

You can also enable the **Deletable** option in this section if you want a CipherTrust Manager Administrator to be able to delete the key.

ID	2e58c582...61136313	Owner	Global	Object Type	Symmetric Key
UUID	e3ad9c3e...7fd47711	Created	05 Mar 2021, 05:13	Algorithm	AES
MUID	e3ad9c3e...f6333c9f	Last Modified	05 Mar 2021, 05:13	Size	256
KeyID	N/A	Exportable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Deletable	<input type="checkbox"/>

7. In the **Key Access** section, do the following:
  - a. In the Search Groups box, type "cte".  
If no groups are displayed, make sure the **Added Only** option is *disabled*.
  - b. Click the **All** check box for both the CTE Admins and CTE Clients groups.

KEY ACCESS								
Key Owner								
<input type="text" value="cte"/>								
2 Results   2 groups							<input type="checkbox"/> Added Only	
Group	Read	Use	Decrypt	Encrypt	Sign	Sign/Verify	Export	All
CTE Admins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CTE Clients	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

- c. When you are done, click **Update**.



8. Click the **CTE** tab and set the following properties:

- **CTE Versioned:** Specify whether the key is versioned. By default, the key is set as versioned.

For a standard policy, you should clear this check box. If you do not, the key will *not* appear in the keys list when you add the key rule to the standard policy.

- **Persistent on Client:** Specify whether the key is stored in persistent memory on the client.

When the check box is selected, the key is downloaded and stored (in an encrypted form) in persistent memory on the client.

When the check box is left clear, the key is downloaded to non-persistent memory on the client. Every time the key is needed, the client retrieves it from the CipherTrust Manager. This is the default setting.

- **Encryption Mode:** Encryption mode of the key. The options are:

- CBC
- CBC CS1
- XTS

Encryption using the XTS and CBC CS1 keys is known as enhanced encryption. For details, see the *CTE Agent for Linux Advanced Configuration and Integration Guide*.

When you are done, click **Update**.

## Create a Standard Policy

1. In the Applications page of the CipherTrust Manager Console, select the **Transparent Encryption** application.
2. In the sidebar on the Clients page, click **Policies**.
3. Click **Create Policy**. CipherTrust Manager displays the Create Policy Wizard.
4. On the General Info page, set the following options:

Field	Description
<b>Name</b>	A unique name for the policy. Make sure you use a name that is descriptive and easy to remember so that you can find it quickly when you want to associate it with a GuardPoint. This example uses "Simple-Policy".
<b>Policy Type</b>	The type of policy you want to create. In this example, we will create a <b>Standard</b> policy.
<b>Description</b>	A user-defined description to help you identify the policy later. For example: Standard policy for new GuardPoints
<b>Learn Mode</b>	<p>Learn Mode provides a temporary method for disabling the blocking behavior of CTE/CTE-LDT policies. While useful for quality assurance, troubleshooting, and mitigating deployment risk, Learn Mode is not intended to be enabled permanently for a policy in production. This prevents the policy Deny rules from functioning as designed in the policy rule set.</p> <p>Ensure that the policy is properly configured for use in Learn Mode. Any Security Rule that contains a Deny effect must have Apply Key applied as well. This is to prevent data from being written in mixed states, resulting in the loss of access or data corruption.</p> <p>Apply Key will have no effect when combined with a Deny rule unless the policy is in Learn Mode.</p>

Field	Description
<b>Data Transformation</b>	If you select <b>Standard</b> as the policy type, also select the <b>Data Transformation</b> option to tell CTE that you want to change the current encryption key used on the data in the GuardPoint, or that you want to encrypt clear-text data for the first time.  This option is only displayed for Standard policies.

When you are done, click **Next**.

5. On the Security Rules page, define the security rules you want to use.

CipherTrust Manager automatically adds a default security access rule with an action of `key_op` and the effects `Permit` and `Apply Key`. This rule permits key operations on all resources, without denying user or application access to resources. This allows it to perform a rekey operation whenever the encryption key rotates to a new version. This rule is required by CTE-LDT, so you cannot edit it, move it, or delete it.

To add additional security rules, click **Create Security Rule** and enter the requested information. For details about adding security rules, see the CipherTrust Manager documentation.

For this example, click **Create Security Rule** and:

- Set Action to `all_ops`.
- Set Effect to **Permit** and **Audit**.

When you are done, click **Next**.

6. On the Create Key Rule page, click **Create Key Rule** and enter the following information:

Field	Description
<b>Resource Set</b>	If you want to select a resource set for this key rule, click <b>Select</b> and either choose an existing resource set or create a new one.  Resource sets let you specify which directories or files will either be encrypted with the key or will be excluded from encryption with this key.
<b>Current Key Name</b>	Click <b>Select</b> to choose an existing key or create a new one.  If the data has not yet been encrypted, select <b>clear_key</b> . Otherwise select the name of the non-versioned key that is currently being used to encrypt the data.  In this example, select <b>clear_key</b> .
<b>Transformation Key Name</b>	Click <b>Select</b> to choose an existing versioned key or to create a new one.  CTE uses the versioned key specified in this field to encrypt the data in the GuardPoint. If the data is currently encrypted, CTE decrypts it using the key specified in the <b>Current Key Name</b> field and re-encrypts it using the key specified in this field.

When you are done, click **Next**.

- On the Data Transformation page, click **Create Data Transformation Rule** and enter the following information:

Field	Description
<b>Resource Set</b>	<p>If you want to select a resource set for this key rule, click <b>Select</b> and either choose an existing resource set or create a new one.</p> <p>Resource sets let you specify which directories or files will either be encrypted with the key or will be excluded from encryption with this key.</p>
<b>Transformation Key Name</b>	<p>Click <b>Select</b> to choose an existing key or to create a new one.</p> <p>CTE uses the key specified in this field to encrypt the data in the GuardPoint. If the data is currently encrypted, CTE decrypts it using the key specified in the <b>Current Key Name</b> field and re-encrypts it using the key specified in this field.</p> <p>For this example, select the key Simple-Key you created in <a href="#">"Create an Encryption Key" on page 14</a>.</p>

When you are done, click **Next**.

- Click **Next**.
- On the confirmation page, review the information for the policy and click **Save**.

### Create Policy

1 General Info
2 Security Rules
3 Key Rules
4 Data Transformation
5 Confirmation

Review the provided policy details.

1 General Info

Name: Simple-Policy
Policy Type: Standard
Description: Standard policy for new GuardPoints

2 Security Rules

Resource Set	User Set	Process Set	Action	Effect	Browsing
			key_op	permitApplykey	Yes
			all_ops	permitAudit	Yes

3 Key Rules

Resource Set
Current Key Name

clear\_key

4 Data Transformation Rules

Resource Set
Transformation Key Name

Simple-Key

Back
Save

## Create a GuardPoint

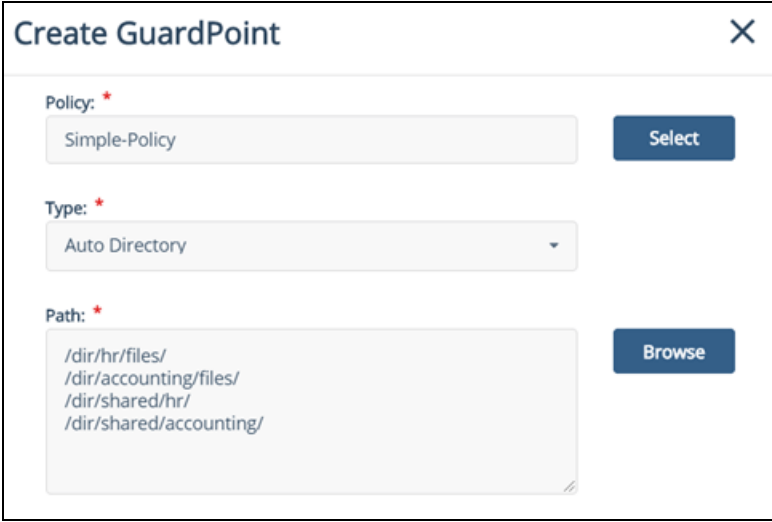
1. Stop all applications that are accessing the device you want to protect. In this example, we are going to protect the following directories with the same policy and encryption key:

- /dir/hr/files
- /dir/accounting/files
- /dir/shared/hr
- /dir/shared/accounting

**Tip:** If you want to encrypt data without taking the device offline, you must use CipherTrust Transparent Encryption - Live Data Transformation.

2. In the Applications page of the CipherTrust Manager Console, select the **CTE** application.
3. In the Clients table, click on the name of the client you want to protect.
4. Above the GuardPoints table, click **Create GuardPoint**.
5. In the Create GuardPoint page:
  - a. In the **Policy** field, select the policy you created earlier.
  - b. In the Type field, select the type of device. You can guard a directory or a raw/block device. For this example, select **Auto Directory**.
  - c. In the **Path** field, enter the directories you want to protect with this policy or click **Browse** to select them from a explorer window.

If you want to enter multiple paths, put each path on its own line. For example:



- d. Click **Create**.
- e. If you want to use the same policy and GuardPoint type on another path, click **Yes** when prompted. Otherwise, click **No**. For this example, click No.

The CipherTrust Manager pushes the GuardPoint configuration to the client and CTE immediately begins transforming the data in the specified folders from clear-text to cipher-text.

6. When the data transformation has finished, applications can resume accessing the now-protected data.

# Chapter 4: Configuring CTE for Linux with a DSM

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This chapter describes how to install CTE on a Linux system using the standard, interactive installation script, then register that system with a Vormetric Data Security Manager (DSM) and use the DSM to create a standard GuardPoint on the Linux host.

If you want to register CTE with a CipherTrust Manager, see [Chapter 3: "Configuring CTE for Linux with CipherTrust Manager" on page 10](#).

This chapter contains the following topics:

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## Installation Prerequisites

This section lists the tasks you must complete, and the information you must obtain, before installing CTE.

## Recommendations and Considerations

- The host on which you want to install CTE *must* support AES-NI hardware encryption. If it does not, any attempt to install or upgrade CTE to release 7.0.0 or later will fail.
- Thales recommends that you install CTE in the default location.
- Do not install CTE on network-mounted volumes such as NFS.
- Make the Installation root directory `/opt` a real directory. If `/opt` is a symlink, you **must** use the `-d` option to specify the installation directory, which must be a real directory.

For example:

```
# ./vee-fs-7.1.0-66-rh8-x86_64.bin -d /home/hello/
```

- Ensure read/write permission is granted to other users accessing your shared resource.

## Network Setup Requirements

- The IP addresses, routing configurations, and DNS addresses must allow connectivity between the DSM and the host on which you install CTE. Ideally, there should be a two-way communication flow between the DSM and the host.
- If the host is a virtual machine, the VM must be deployed and running.

## Port Configuration Requirements

If a protected host must communicate with the DSM through a firewall, see the *DSM Administration Guide* to determine which of the ports must be opened through the firewall.

The default port for communication between the DSM and the CTE Agent is 7024. If this port is already in use, you can set the port to a different number during the CTE Agent installation.

## CTE Registration Method Options

Before you can install CTE, you need to select a registration method. You can register the protected hosts with a DSM using either the *Fingerprint method* or the *Shared Secret method*.

- **Fingerprint method** requires the DSM Administrator to add the FQDN, or IP address, of each protected host to the DSM before registering CTE.

During the registration, the DSM generates the certificate and passes it down to CTE along with the fingerprint. The security administrator must verify the fingerprint to make sure the certificate is valid.

- **Shared Secret method** requires the DSM Administrator to create a *shared secret* password—a case-sensitive string of characters—for auto-registering a domain or host group.

CTE installers use the shared secret to add and register protected hosts to the DSM for a domain or host group. The DSM Administrator can optionally add host names or IP addresses to the DSM. There is no need to verify that the protected host and DSM share valid certificates. You can add multiple protected hosts dynamically with a single shared secret password during CTE installation and registration.

After the DSM Administrator creates a shared secret for the domain or host group in which the new protected host will reside, obtain it and the validity period (one hour, day, week, or month) and register within that period.

## Installing and Registering CTE

Thales provides a standard interactive installation script that asks you a series of questions during the install. The script prompts you to register CTE with a key manager immediately after the installation has finished. CTE must be registered with a key manager before you can protect any of the devices on the host.

The procedure for installing CTE and registering it with a DSM depends on the registration method you want to use. The available methods are described in ["CTE Registration Method Options" above](#). After you have selected your registration method, you can use one of the following procedures:

- ["Installing CTE and Registering Using the Shared Secret Registration Method" below](#)
- ["Installing CTE and Registering Using the Certificate Fingerprint" on page 24](#)

### Note

Do not install CTE on network-mounted volumes like NFS.

## Installing CTE and Registering Using the Shared Secret Registration Method

The following procedure describes how to install the CTE Agent on the Linux host and then register the CTE Agent with a DSM using the Shared Secret registration method. For Fingerprint registration, see ["Installing CTE and Registering Using the Certificate Fingerprint" on page 24](#).

## Prerequisites

Make sure you know the following information from the DSM Administrator:

- The server name of the primary DSM as shown on the DSM Dashboard.
- The shared secret for the domain on the primary DSM with which you want to register the host.
- The name of the domain in the DSM with which you want to register the host.
- Optionally, the name of the host group in which this host should be included.

All of this information is case-sensitive and must exactly match the corresponding information in the DSM.

**Note**

If registration appears to freeze, verify that the DSM and CTE can communicate with each other over the network.

## Procedure

1. Log on to the host where you will install the CTE Agent as `root`. You cannot install the CTE Agent without `root` access.
2. Copy or mount the installation file to the host system. If necessary, make the file executable with the `chmod` command.

3. Install the CTE Agent. A typical installation uses the following syntax:

```
# ./vee-fs-<release>-<build>-<system>.bin
```

For example:

```
# ./vee-fs-7.1.0-66-rh8-x86_64.bin
```

To install the CTE Agent in a custom directory, use the `-d <custom-dir>` option. For example:

```
# ./vee-fs-7.1.0-66-rh8-x86_64.bin -d /home/my-cte-dir/
```

**Note:** If possible, Thales recommends that you use the default directory `/opt/vormetric`.

To view all installer options, use the `-h` parameter. For example:

```
# ./vee-fs-7.1.0-66-rh8-x86_64.bin -h
```

4. The Thales License Agreement displays. When prompted, type `y` and press Enter to accept.

The install script installs the CTE Agent software in either `/opt/vormetric` or your custom installation directory and then prompts you about registering the CTE Agent with a key manager.

```
Welcome to the CipherTrust Transparent Encryption File System Agent
Registration Program.
```

```
Agent Type: CipherTrust Transparent Encryption File System Agent
Agent Version: 7.1.0.66
```

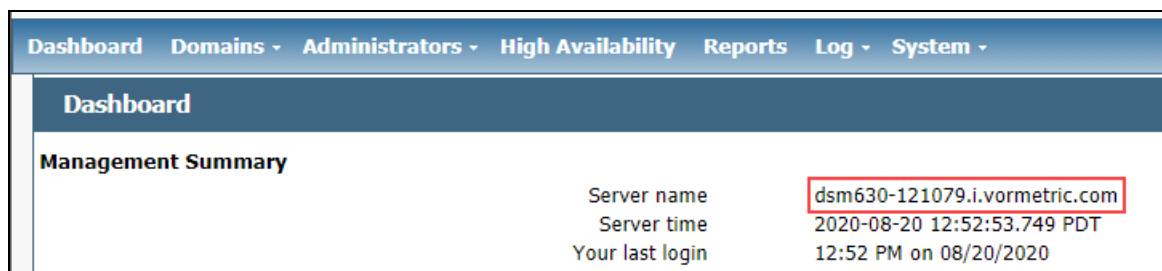
```
In order to register the CipherTrust Transparent Encryption File System Agent
with a Vormetric Data Security Manager
```

- 1) you must know the host name of the machine running the DSM (the host name is displayed on the Dashboard window of the Management Console), and
- 2) unless you intend to use the 'shared secret' registration method, the agent's host machine must be pre-configured on the DSM as a host with the 'Reg. Allowed' checkbox enabled for this agent type on the Hosts window of the Management Console.

```
In order to register with a CipherTrust Manager you need a valid registration
token from the CM.
```

```
Do you want to continue with agent registration? (Y/N) [Y]:
```

5. Enter **y** to continue with the registration process. The install script prompts you to enter the name of the DSM with which you want to register the host. This name must match the name shown in the **Server name** field in the **Management Summary** section on the DSM **Dashboard** page.



For example:

```
Do you want to continue with agent registration? (Y/N) [Y]: y
```

```
Please enter the primary key manager host name: dsm630-121079.i.vormetric.com
```

```
You entered the host name dsm630-121079.i.vormetric.com
```

```
Is this host name correct? (Y/N) [Y]: y
```

6. Enter the host name when prompted. If the Shared Secret registration in your DSM is configured to require an existing host entry, his name must match the name used on the **Add Host** page of the DSM Management Console.

```
Please enter the host name of this machine, or select from the following list.  
If using the "fingerprint" registration method, the name you provide must  
precisely match the name used on the "Add Host" page of the Management Console.
```

```
[1] host14.i.example.com  
[2] Host-RHEL-14.i.example.com  
[3] 10.3.14.90
```

```
Enter a number, or type a different host name or IP address in manually:
```

```
What is the name of this machine? [1]: 3
```

```
You selected "10.3.14.90".
```

7. When prompted for the registration method, enter **s** for shared secret registration and then enter the required information about the domain, optional host group, and optional host description. For example:

```
Would you like to register to the DSM using a  
registration shared secret (S) or using fingerprints (F)? (S/F) [S]: S
```

```
What is the registration shared secret?
```

```
Please enter the domain name for this host: west-coast-domain
```

```
Please enter the host group name for this host, if any:
```

```
Please enter a description for this host: West Coast Data Center server 5
```

```
Shared secret      : *****  
Domain name       : west-coast-domain  
Host Group        : (none)  
Host description  : West Coast Data Center server 5  
Are the above values correct? (Y/N) [Y]: y
```



8. At the hardware association prompt, select whether you want to enable the hardware association feature that prevents a clone of this machine from accessing keys in the DSM. The default is **y** (enabled):

It is possible to associate this installation with the hardware of this machine. If selected, the agent will not contact the key manager or use any cryptographic keys if any of this machine's hardware is changed. This can be rectified by running this registration program again.

Do you want to enable this functionality? (Y/N) [Y]: **y**

9. At this point, the install script asks you about some of the optional CTE features you may want to enable, such as CTE-Efficient Storage, CTE-LDT, and docker support.

**Note:** Some of these features may require a separate license in the DSM.

For example:

Do you want this host to have docker support enabled on the server? (Y/N) [N]:

Do you want this host to have Efficient Storage support enabled on the server?  
(Y/N) [N]:

Do you want this host to have LDT support enabled on the server? (Y/N) [N]:

Do you want to configure this host for Cloud Object Storage? (Y/N) [N]:

10. At this point the installation script completes the installation and indicates that it successfully registered the host with the DSM.

Generating certificate signing request for the kernel component...done.

Signing certificate...done.

Generating EC certificate signing request for the vmd...done.

Signing certificate...done.

Generating EC certificate signing request for the vmd...done.

Signing certificate...done.

Successfully registered the CipherTrust Transparent Encryption File System Agent with the Vormetric Data Security Manager on dsm630-121079.i.vormetric.com.

11. Verify the installation by checking the CTE processes on the host:

- Run `vmd -v` to check the version of CTE.
- Run `vmsec status` to display the CTE processes.
- Look at the log files in `/var/log/vormetric/install.fs.log.<date>`, especially `vorvmd_root.log`.

## Installing CTE and Registering Using the Certificate Fingerprint

The following procedure describes how to install the CTE Agent on the host and then register the CTE Agent with a DSM using the Fingerprint registration method. For Shared Secret registration, see ["Installing CTE and Registering Using the Shared Secret Registration Method" on page 21](#).

### Prerequisites

Make sure the DSM Administrator has added the the FQDN, or IP address, of this host to the domain in which you want to register the host. During the registration, the DSM generates the certificate and passes it down to CTE along with the fingerprint. You will then need to verify the certificate fingerprint as part of the registration procedure.

In the DSM Management Console, the entry for the host must have at least the **Registration Allowed Agents > FS** and **Communication Enabled** options selected.

When you register the host, the machine name you use must exactly match the one in the DSM.

Additionally, make sure you know the server name of the primary DSM as shown on the DSM Dashboard.

**Note**

If registration appears to freeze, verify that the DSM and CTE can communicate with each other over the network.

## Procedure

1. Log on to the host where you will install the CTE Agent as `root`. You cannot install the CTE Agent without `root` access.
2. Copy or mount the installation file to the host system. If necessary, make the file executable with the `chmod` command.

3. Install the CTE Agent. A typical installation uses the following syntax:

```
# ./vee-fs-<release>-<build>-<system>.bin
```

For example:

```
# ./vee-fs-7.1.0-66-rh8-x86_64.bin
```

To install the CTE Agent in a custom directory, use the `-d <custom-dir>` option. For example:

```
# ./vee-fs-7.1.0-66-rh8-x86_64.bin -d /home/my-cte-dir/
```

**Note:** If possible, Thales recommends that you use the default directory `/opt/vormetric`.

To view all installer options, use the `-h` parameter. For example:

```
# ./vee-fs-7.1.0-66-rh8-x86_64.bin -h
```

4. The Thales License Agreement displays. When prompted, type `y` and press Enter to accept.

The install script installs the CTE Agent software in either `/opt/vormetric` or your custom installation directory and then prompts you about registering the CTE Agent with a key manager.

```
Welcome to the CipherTrust Transparent Encryption File System Agent
Registration Program.
```

```
Agent Type: CipherTrust Transparent Encryption File System Agent
Agent Version: 7.1.0.66
```

In order to register the CipherTrust Transparent Encryption File System Agent with a Vormetric Data Security Manager

- 1) you must know the host name of the machine running the DSM (the host name is displayed on the Dashboard window of the Management Console), and
- 2) unless you intend to use the 'shared secret' registration method, the agent's host machine must be pre-configured on the DSM as a host with the 'Reg. Allowed' checkbox enabled for this agent type on the Hosts window of the Management Console.

In order to register with a CipherTrust Manager you need a valid registration token from the CM.

```
Do you want to continue with agent registration? (Y/N) [Y]:
```

5. Enter **y** to continue with the registration process. The install script prompts you to enter the name of the DSM with which you want to register the host. This name must match the name shown in the **Server name** field in the **Management Summary** section on the DSM **Dashboard** page.

Dashboard Domains Administrators High Availability Reports Log System	
Dashboard	
Management Summary	
Server name	dsm630-121079.i.vormetric.com
Server time	2020-08-20 12:52:53.749 PDT
Your last login	12:52 PM on 08/20/2020

For example:

```
Do you want to continue with agent registration? (Y/N) [Y]: y
```

```
Please enter the primary key manager host name: dsm630-121079.i.vormetric.com
```

```
You entered the host name dsm630-121079.i.vormetric.com
```

```
Is this host name correct? (Y/N) [Y]: y
```

6. Enter the host name when prompted. This name must match the name used on the **Add Host** page of the DSM Management Console.

Please enter the host name of this machine, or select from the following list. If using the "fingerprint" registration method, the name you provide must precisely match the name used on the "Add Host" page of the Management Console.

```
[1] host14.i.example.com
[2] Host-RHEL-14.i.example.com
[3] 10.3.14.90
```

```
Enter a number, or type a different host name or IP address in manually:
```

```
What is the name of this machine? [1]: 3
```

```
You selected "10.3.14.90".
```

7. When prompted for the registration method, enter **F** for fingerprint registration:

```
Would you like to register to the DSM using a
registration shared secret (S) or using fingerprints (F)? (S/F) [S]: F
```

8. At the hardware association prompt, select whether you want to enable the hardware association feature that prevents a clone of this machine from accessing keys in the DSM. The default is **y** (enabled):

It is possible to associate this installation with the hardware of this machine. If selected, the agent will not contact the key manager or use any cryptographic keys if any of this machine's hardware is changed. This can be rectified by running this registration program again.

```
Do you want to enable this functionality? (Y/N) [Y]: y
```

9. At this point, the install script asks you about some of the optional CTE features you may want to enable, such as CTE-Efficient Storage, CTE-LDT, and docker support.

**Note:** Some of these features may require a separate license in the DSM.

For example:

Do you want this host to have docker support enabled on the server? (Y/N) [N]:

Do you want this host to have Efficient Storage support enabled on the server?  
(Y/N) [N]:

Do you want this host to have LDT support enabled on the server? (Y/N) [N]:

Do you want to configure this host for Cloud Object Storage? (Y/N) [N]:

10. At this point, the install program generates certificate signing requests and lists the fingerprint of the EC (elliptic curve) CA (Certificate Authority) certificate. This fingerprint must match the one on the DSM Dashboard in the **Management Summary** section, **EC CA fingerprint** field.

The following is the fingerprint of the EC CA certificate.  
Please verify that it matches the fingerprint shown on the Dashboard page of the Management Console. If they do not match, it can indicate an unsuccessful setup or an attack.

2F:9A:1C:DB:7E:B9:6C:63:D4:BA:D2:25:C6:7C:97:F1:E1:48:20:AE

Do the fingerprints match? (Y/N) [N]: **Y**

If the fingerprints match, enter **y**. The installer displays the fingerprint for the CTE Agent on the host and completes the installation:

The following is the fingerprint for this agent on this host.  
Please verify that it matches the fingerprint shown for this host on the Edit Host window of the Management Console.

12:CF:64:A3:28:7E:2E:50:72:70:FF:8F:B2:79:5B:4F:40:1B:74:20

Successfully registered the CipherTrust Transparent Encryption File System Agent with the  
Vormetric Data Security Manager on dsm630-121079.i.vormetric.com.

Installation success.

11. Verify with the DSM Administrator that the CTE fingerprint matches with the fingerprint shown for this host on the **Hosts > Hostname > Edit Host** window of the DSM Management Console. CTE is installed and registered.
12. Verify the installation by checking the CTE processes on the host:
- Run `vmd -v` to check the version of CTE.
  - Run `vmsec status` to display the CTE processes.
  - Look at the log files in `/var/log/vormetric/install.fs.log.<date>`, especially `vorvmd_root.log`.

## Guarding a Device with the DSM

After you register a device with a DSM, you can create as many GuardPoints on the device as you need. These GuardPoints can protect the entire device or individual directories or files.

In order to guard a device, you need to use the DSM Management Console to:

1. Access the DSM domain in which the host is registered.
2. Identify or create an encryption key that CTE will use to encrypt the data on the device.
3. Identify or create a policy for the device that specifies the access controls and the encryption keys to use for the device.
4. Create a GuardPoint for the device.

The following example creates a simple policy with a single key rule and no access controls and uses it to guard several directories on a registered host. For all of the following procedures, you must be logged into the DSM Management Console as a DSM Administrator, and you must be in the domain with which the host is registered.

For details about any of these procedures or the options for domains, encryption keys, policies, and GuardPoints, see the *DSM Administration Guide*.

### Access the DSM Domain

1. In a web browser, navigate to the URL of the DSM you want to use and log in with DSM Administrator credentials.
2. In the top menu bar of the DSM Management Console, select **Domains > Switch Domains**.
3. Select the domain with which the host you want to protect is registered and click **Switch to domain**.

### Create an Encryption Key

1. In the top menu bar of the DSM Management Console, select **Keys**.
2. In the Key table, click **Add**.
3. In the **Name** field, add a name for the key. This name must be unique. For example, Simple-Policy-Key.
4. Set any other desired options or use the defaults provided.
5. Click **Ok**.

### Create a Standard Policy

1. In the top menu bar, select **Policies**.
2. In the Policy table, click **Add**.
3. In the Add Policy page:
  - a. Select a Policy Type. In this example, we will create a Standard policy.
  - b. Enter a name for the policy in the **Name** field. For example, Simple-Policy.
  - c. Enter a description for the policy in the **Description** field.
  - d. In the Key Selection Rules section, click **Add**.

- e. In the Key field, click **Select**.
- f. Select the key you created earlier and click **Select key**.
- g. Click **Ok**.

The screenshot shows the 'Add Policy - Simple-Policy' window. The 'Policy Type' is set to 'Standard'. The 'Name' field is 'Simple-Policy' and the 'Description' is 'This is a simple, Standard Policy'. Below this, there are sections for 'Security Rules' and 'Key Selection Rules'. The 'Key Selection Rules' section shows a table with one row: 'Simple-Policy-Key' under the 'Key' column. The 'Name' field and the 'Key Selection Rules' table are highlighted with red boxes.

4. Click **Ok** to create the policy.

## Create a GuardPoint

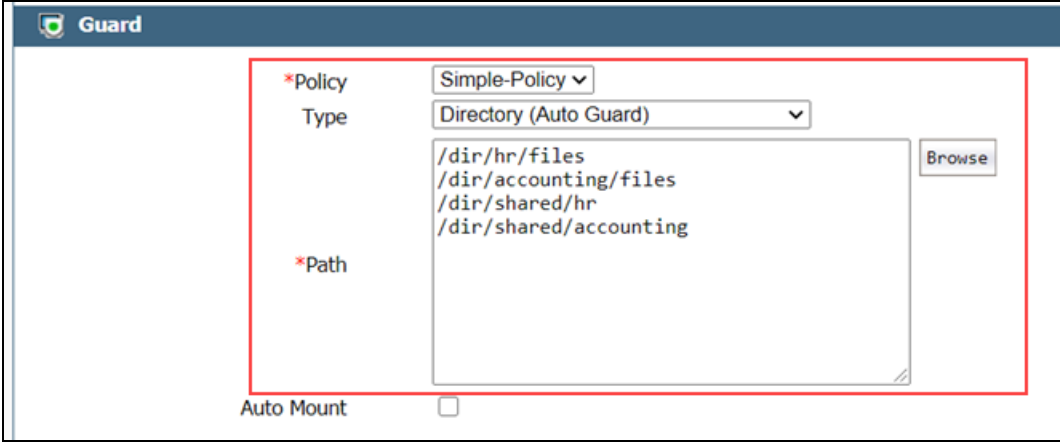
1. Stop all applications that are accessing the device you want to protect. In this example, we are going to protect the following directories with the same policy and encryption key:
  - /dir/hr/files
  - /dir/accounting/files
  - /dir/shared/hr
  - /dir/shared/accounting

**Tip:** If you want to encrypt data without taking the device offline, you must use CipherTrust Transparent Encryption - Live Data Transformation.

2. In the top menu bar, click **Hosts**.
3. In the Hosts table, click on the name of the host you want to protect.
4. Click the **GuardPoints** tab.
5. In the GuardPoints table, click **Guard**.

6. In the Guard page:
  - a. In the **Policy** field, select the policy you created earlier.
  - b. In the Type field, select the type of device. You can guard a directory or a raw/block device. For this example, select **Directory (Auto Guard)**.
  - c. In the **Path** field, enter the directories you want to protect with this policy or click **Browse** to select them from a Windows-style explorer.

If you want to enter multiple paths, put each path on its own line. For example:



- d. Click **Ok**.

The DSM pushes the GuardPoint configuration to the host and CTE immediately begins transforming the data in the specified folders from clear-text to cipher-text.

7. When the data transformation has finished, applications can resume accessing the now-protected data.



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