

NCI Disaster Recovery Deployment

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At-a-Glance

Stage: Deploy

The Nutanix Cloud Infrastructure (NCI) Disaster Recovery (DR) Deployment accelerates the deployment of NCI DR solutions, including Asynchronous, NearSync, Synchronous DR, Metro Availability, and Protection Domain-based DR on on-premises NCI and Nutanix Cloud Clusters (NC2) clusters. This offer is ideal for the Deploy stage of the hybrid multicloud journey.

Related Services

- NCI Disaster Recovery Design Workshop

Service Scope

Highly skilled consultants with solid domain expertise and rich experience begin by reviewing the customer-provided DR design document and requirements. The consultant then deploys and configures one of the supported DR solutions according to Nutanix recommended practices and the customer-provided design document. After the deployment, the consultant creates a customized as-built document and updated configuration workbook to document the final configuration of the cluster(s).

Asynchronous or NearSync DR Solution Edition

For customers deploying Asynchronous or NearSync replication between on-premises availability zones.

The Asynchronous or NearSync Edition includes the following activities:

- Review customer-provided DR design documentation, RPO, and RTO requirements
- Review sizing for Nutanix snapshots
- Review requirements for Nutanix Guest Tools (NGT)
- Based upon customer-provided DR design:
 - Configure availability zones
 - Configure protection policies
 - Configure recovery plans
 - Configure custom IP mappings
- Deploy and integrate Prism Central, as required
- Install NGT (optional, requires supported guest operating systems)
- Test and validate recovery of nonproduction-protected VMs

Synchronous and Metro Availability Solution Edition

For customers deploying Nutanix synchronous replication to ensure a zero-data loss configuration between on-premises availability zones within a metro region.

The Metro Availability Solution Edition includes the following activities:

- Review customer-provided DR design documentation, RPO, and RTO requirements

- Review sizing for Nutanix snapshots
- Review network bandwidth and latency to support synchronous replication
- Review Metro Availability operational modes (manual, automatic resume, witness)
- Based upon customer-provided DR design:
 - Configure remote sites on each NCI cluster
 - Deploy and Configure Metro Witness at 3rd site (optional)
 - Configure source and destination containers
 - Configure protection policies and recovery plans
 - For VMware ESXi clusters, configure DRS affinity rules and HA settings
- Test and validate recovery of nonproduction-protected VMs
- Test and validate migration of test VMs between sites
- Test and validate the DR process for failed site
- Test and validate the clean-up process and migration back to the primary site

Protection Domain-based Solution Edition

For customers leveraging legacy Protection Domain-based Async DR and NearSync DR technologies between on-premises availability zones.

The Protection Domain-based Solution Edition includes the following activities:

- Review customer-provided DR design documentation, RPO, and RTO requirements
- Review sizing for Nutanix snapshots
- Review requirements for Nutanix Guest Tools (NGT)
- Based upon customer-provided DR design:
 - Configure remote sites
 - Configure protection domains
 - Assign VMs to the protection domains
- Install NGT on VMs (optional)

Note: NGT is required for cross-hypervisor DR

- Test and validate recovery of nonproduction-protected VMs
 - Validate recovery from the primary site protection domain
 - Validate recovery from remote site protection domain
 - Validate protection domain migration (planned event)
 - Validate protection domain activation (unplanned event)
 - Validate post-DR clean-up procedures

Limitations

- For each quantity purchased, deployment is limited to one source cluster and one target cluster. Source and target clusters can be a combination of on-premises NCI or NC2 clusters.

- Excludes Disaster Recovery to Nutanix Cloud availability zone (also known as Nutanix DRaaS)

Asynchronous or NearSync DR Solution Edition

- Configuration limited to:
 - 2 availability zones
 - 5 protection policies
 - 5 recovery plans
 - 20 custom IP mappings
- Installation of NGT limited to 5 VMs
- Test and validate recovery of up to 5 nonproduction-protected VMs

Synchronous and Metro Availability Solution Edition

- AHV configuration limited to:
 - 2 availability zones
 - 5 protection policies
 - 5 recovery plans
- ESXi configuration limited to:
 - 1 source and destination container
- Test and validate recovery of up to 5 nonproduction-protected VMs

Protection Domain-based Solution Edition

- Configure up to 10 protection domains
- Installation of NGT limited to 5 VMs
- Test and validate recovery of up to 5 nonproduction-protected VMs

Supported Hypervisors

- Nutanix AHV
- VMware ESXi

Prerequisites

- Fully supported and functional on-premises NCI or NC2 source cluster and on-premises NCI or NC2 target cluster that meets all product requirements for the selected DR solution.

Note: For information on the requirements for configuring Nutanix Disaster Recovery, see Disaster Recovery Requirements in the *Nutanix Disaster Recovery Guide* on the Nutanix Support Portal.

- Completed Pre-Install Worksheet

Required Product Licenses

- Nutanix Cloud Infrastructure (NCI)
- Hypervisor license for NCI

Delivered Artifacts

- Test Plan
- As-built Guide

Duration

Async, NearSync, Sync	Metro Availability	Protection Domains
Typically up to 3 days	Typically up to 3 days	Typically up to 2 days

Related Products

- Nutanix Cloud Infrastructure (NCI)
- Nutanix Cloud Clusters (NC2)

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