

# VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension API Programming Guide

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# About the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension API Programming Guide

The *Programming Guide* provides information about the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension REST APIs, including how to use the API services and resources, how to authenticate and construct REST API calls.

## Intended Audience

This guide is intended for administrators and programmers who want to configure and manage VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension programmatically using the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension REST API.

The guide focuses on common use cases. For information about all available REST API services, see the *Cloud Director Object Storage Extension API Reference* at <https://code.vmware.com/apis/950/vose>.

# Introduction to the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension REST API

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VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension is a standalone middleware service integrated with VMware Cloud Director that provides a set of APIs that are compatible with the Amazon Web Services Simple Storage Service (AWS S3) API.

For that reason, developing automation solutions and client applications for VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension is the same as developing automation solutions and client applications for AWS S3. In addition to the current guide, when designing or developing S3 applications for VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension, you can use the rich collection of AWS S3 resources for developers.

AWS S3 resources include getting started and developer guides, a code sample catalog, and software development kits (SDKs) for various development technologies. The following list contains useful references to AWS S3 development resources that can help you develop S3 applications for VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension:

- [AWS S3 Developer Guide](#)
- [AWS S3 API Reference](#)
- [AWS Code Sample Catalog](#)
- [AWS Developer Center](#)
- [AWS SDK for Java](#)
- [AWS SDK for Python \(Boto3\)](#)
- [AWS SDK for Go](#)

# Getting Started with VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension REST API

## 2

The VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension API uses RESTful application development style to provide bucket and object management capabilities to developers.

To make VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension REST API service calls, you can use a browser application or an HTTP client to send requests and review responses.

Any client application that can send HTTP requests is an appropriate tool for developing REST applications with the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 API.

Following is a list of tools tested during the development of VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 API:

- cURL command-line tool, available at <https://curl.haxx.se/>.
- Postman application, available at <https://www.getpostman.com/>.
- AWS Java SDK, available at <https://aws.amazon.com/sdk-for-java/>.
- AWS Python SDK, available at <https://aws.amazon.com/sdk-for-python/>.
- AWS Go SDK, available at <https://aws.amazon.com/sdk-for-go/>.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension Concepts](#)
- [Supported S3 API Operations](#)
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- [Working with S3 API and Cross-Origin Resource Sharing](#)

# VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension Concepts

The VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension API adopts the main concepts used in the AWS S3 API. These concepts are referenced throughout the current document. Understanding these concepts is necessary to work effectively with the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 API.

## Bucket

A bucket is a logical unit of storage. Before you start uploading files to VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension, you must create a bucket. You can then upload any number of files to the bucket. Buckets are the fundamental containers in VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension.

With access control lists, you control the access permissions for buckets.

To aid organize and categorize your buckets, you can add multiple key-value pairs of tags to your buckets. For example, you can create a bucket to store financial reports from the financial department in your organization. You can tag this bucket with the following key-value pairs:

Key	Value
<i>Department</i>	<i>Finance</i>
<i>Report</i>	<i>Monthly</i>

Bucket names are globally unique and the namespace is shared between all VMware Cloud Director organizations. After a bucket is created, the name of that bucket cannot be used for another bucket in any of the VMware Cloud Director organizations until that bucket is deleted. Bucket names must adhere to the S3 bucket naming requirements. See [Amazon S3 Bucket Naming Requirements](#).

## Object

Objects in VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension are the files that you upload to your buckets.

You can categorize objects within a bucket by adding key-value pairs of tags. If you are the bucket owner of the bucket that stores an object, you can add properties to the objects by defining metadata in the form of a key-value pair.

Organization administrators can access and manage the objects that all users in the same organization own. Organization users can access and manage the objects that they own and the objects that are shared with them.

You can preview image, text, PDF, audio, and video files directly in the user interface of VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension.

## Security Credential

VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension supports S3-compatible API and the AWS Signature V4 authentication. Security credentials are used for authenticating S3 API requests and consist of an access key and a secret key. VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension supports user and application types of security credentials.

With S3 API requests authenticated with user credentials, you can access and manage buckets and objects that you own or that are shared with you.

With S3 API requests authenticated with application credentials, you can access and manage objects at the bucket level.

Users own and manage their security credentials using the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension user interface. See [Working with Security Credentials](#).

## Access Control Lists

With access control lists (ACLs), you manage the access to buckets and objects. With ACLs, you can share objects and buckets with other users from your VMware Cloud Director organization. VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension supports a list of predefined, canned ACLs. You can also create custom ACLs.

## Supported S3 API Operations

VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension runs on top of a Cloudbian HyperStore or a Dell EMC ECS storage cluster. VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension, Cloudbian HyperStore, and Dell EMC ECS support most AWS S3 REST API operations.

**Table 2-1. Supported S3 API Bucket Operations**

Method	URL	Description
HEAD	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name</i>	Verifies if a bucket exists and if you have permissions to access it.
GET	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name</i>	Returns an XML representation of the objects in a bucket.
PUT	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name</i>	Creates a bucket.
DELETE	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name</i>	Deletes a bucket.
GET	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?tagging</i>	Returns the tag set associated with the bucket.
PUT	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?tagging</i>	Adds tags to a bucket. If VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension uses the ECS storage platform, adding tags to a bucket is impossible. The ECS storage platform does not support bucket tagging.
DELETE	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?tagging</i>	Deletes the tag set associated with the bucket.
GET	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?acl</i>	Returns the access control list (ACL) configuration of the bucket.
PUT	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?acl</i>	Sets the ACL permissions for the bucket.



**Table 2-1. Supported S3 API Bucket Operations (continued)**

Method	URL	Description
GET	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?encryption</i>	Returns the encryption configuration of a bucket.
PUT	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?encryption</i>	Defines an encryption method for a bucket.
DELETE	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?encryption</i>	Removes the encryption configuration from a bucket.
GET	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?logging</i>	Returns the logging configuration of a bucket.
PUT	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?logging</i>	Defines logging configuration for a bucket. If VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension uses the ECS storage platform, configuring bucket logging is impossible. The ECS storage platform does not support bucket logging.
GET	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?versioning</i>	Returns the versioning configuration of a bucket.
PUT	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?versioning</i>	Defines the versioning configuration of a bucket.
GET	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?policy</i>	Returns the policy of a bucket.
PUT	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?policy</i>	Defines a policy for a bucket.
DELETE	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?policy</i>	Removes a policy from a bucket.
GET	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?uploads</i>	Returns a list of in-progress multipart uploads.

**Table 2-2. Supported S3 API Object Operations**

Method	URL	Description
HEAD	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name</i>	Verifies if an object exists and if you have permissions to access it.
GET	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name</i>	Retrieves an object.
PUT	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name</i>	Uploads an object to a bucket.
POST	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name</i>	Adds an object to a bucket using HTML forms.
PUT	<i>/api/v1/s3/destination-bucket-name/destination-object-name</i>	Copies an object from one bucket to another.
DELETE	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name</i>	Deletes an object.
DELETE	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?delete</i>	Deletes multiple objects.
POST	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name?uploads</i>	Initiates a multipart upload.

**Table 2-2. Supported S3 API Object Operations (continued)**

Method	URL	Description
GET	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name? MaxParts=MaxParts&amp;PartNumberMarker=PartNumberMarker &amp;UploadId=UploadId</i>	Lists parts that are uploaded for a specific multipart upload.
PUT	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name? PartNumber=PartNumber&amp;UploadId=UploadId</i>	Uploads a part in a multipart upload.
PUT	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name? PartNumber=PartNumber&amp;UploadId=UploadId</i>	Uploads a part in a multipart upload by copying data from an existing object as a data source.
POST	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name? UploadId=UploadId</i>	Completes a multipart upload by assembling previously uploaded parts.
DELETE	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name? UploadId=UploadId</i>	Aborts a multipart upload.
GET	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name?tagging</i>	Returns the tags associated with an object.
PUT	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name?tagging</i>	Adds a tag or a set of tags to an object.  If VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension uses the ECS storage platform, adding tags to an object is impossible. The ECS storage platform does not support object tagging.
DELETE	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name?tagging</i>	Removes the tag set from an object.
GET	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name?acl</i>	Returns the ACL configuration for the object.
PUT	<i>/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name?acl</i>	Sets an ACL for the object.

## Error Responses

The VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 REST API supports the same error response format and error codes as the AWS S3 REST API.

For more information about the format and contents of error responses, and for the error codes, see the [Error Responses](#) topic in the AWS S3 documentation.

## Authenticating VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension REST API Requests

VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension supports the AWS Signature and the vCloud API session authentication types.

## AWS Signature

VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension supports AWS Signature Version 4.

To authenticate VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension REST API requests using AWS Signature type, you use security credentials. Security credentials are a pair of an access key and a secret key. VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension supports user and application types of security credentials. Users own and manage their security credentials.

With S3 API requests authenticated with user credentials, you can manage all objects owned or shared by the owner of the user credentials. With application credentials, you control the S3 API access at the bucket level.

For more information about creating and working with security credentials, see the [Working with Security Credentials](#) topic in the *VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension User's Guide for Tenant Users*.

In VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension, only tenant users can own security credentials. To create and use security credentials, your user account requires the **tenant administrator** role or the **tenant user** role. For more information, see the [Roles and Rights in VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension](#).

For more information about AWS Signature authentication, see the [Authenticating Requests \(AWS Signature Version 4\)](#) topic in the AWS documentation.

## vCloud API Session

To authenticate VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension REST API requests, you can also use the vCloud API login mechanism of VMware Cloud Director. For more information, see the [Create a vCloud API Session](#) *VMware Cloud Director API Programming Guide*.

## Common Request and Response Headers

VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension supports the same common request and response headers as the AWS S3 REST API.

For more information, see the following topics in the AWS S3 API Reference:

- [Common Request Headers](#)
- [Common Response Headers](#)

## Identity and Access Management

Any enabled VMware Cloud Director organization tenant user can work with the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 REST API.

VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension uses the identity providers and configuration of VMware Cloud Director.

For more information, see the [Managing Identity Providers](#) topic in the *VMware Cloud Director Service Provider Admin Portal Guide*.

Access management to buckets and objects in VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension is the same as in AWS S3. To share an object or a bucket with other users, you modify the access permissions for that object or bucket. For more information, see the [Overview of Managing Access](#) topic in the *AWS S3 Developer Guide*.

In the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 REST API, buckets and objects are the entities that you can work with. By default, only the entity owner can access the entity. The user account that creates a bucket and uploads objects to it owns the bucket and the objects in the bucket.

You use bucket policies or access control lists (ACLs) to manage the access permissions for buckets and ACLs to manage the access permissions for objects.

## Access Control Lists

Every bucket and every object have an ACL associated with them. An ACL is a list of grants that identifies grantee and permissions granted. You can use ACLs to grant permissions to other users within the same VMware Cloud Director organization, or to make buckets and objects publicly accessible. You use ACLs to grant basic read/write permissions to a grantee.

You can use a set of built-in canned ACLs, or you can create a custom ACL.

The following table describes the permissions that you can use to create a custom ACL.

Permission	When applied to a bucket	When applied to an object
<b>READ</b>	Allows the grantee to list the objects in the bucket.	Allows the grantee to read the object data and its metadata.
<b>WRITE</b>	Allows the grantee to create, overwrite, and delete objects in the bucket.	Not applicable.
<b>READ_ACP</b>	Allows the grantee to read the ACL of the bucket.	Allows the grantee to read the ACL of the object.
<b>WRITE_ACP</b>	Allows the grantee to write the ACL for the bucket.	Allows the grantee to write the ACL for the object.
<b>FULL_CONTROL</b>	Grants <b>Read</b> and <b>Write</b> permissions for the bucket and <b>Read</b> and <b>Write</b> permissions for the ACL of the bucket.	Grants <b>Read</b> and <b>Write</b> permissions for the object and <b>Read</b> and <b>Write</b> permissions for the ACL of the object.

You can apply a canned ACL to both an object and a bucket. The following table describes the set of canned ACLs and the associated permissions.

Canned ACL	Description
Private	Only the owner can access the bucket or the object.
Public-Read	Grants <b>Read</b> permissions to all users.
Public-Read-Write	Grants <b>Read</b> and <b>Write</b> permissions to all users.
Authenticated-Read	Grants <b>Read</b> permissions to all authenticated users.

## Bucket Policies

With VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 REST API, you can modify the access permissions of a bucket by adding a bucket policy to the bucket. Bucket policies supplement the capabilities of granting access permissions with ACLs. With bucket policies, you can, for example, grant access permissions with added conditions for a bucket to multiple VMware Cloud Director organization users. You can also restrict the access to a bucket for a specific IP address or a specific HTTP referrer.

## Making VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension API Requests

Any client application that can send HTTP requests is an appropriate tool for developing REST applications with the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 API.

### Making API Requests Using Postman

You can use the Postman API Client to issue VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 API requests and view responses.

Make sure that you use AWS Signature type of authentication.

For more information, go to <https://www.getpostman.com/>.

### Making API Requests Using cURL

If you use cURL to make VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 API requests, you must calculate the signature for each request. For more information about authenticating S3 API requests and signature calculations, see <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/sig-v4-authenticating-requests.html>.

Following is an example of an S3 API request to list the contents of a bucket using cURL.

```
curl -X GET https://vcloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3 -H 'Authorization: AWS4-HMAC-SHA256 Credential={{Access_Key}}/20190820/{{Region}}/s3/aws4_request, SignedHeaders=content-type;host;x-amz-content-sha256;x-amz-date, Signature=2916a7fe150115bdb3c93ac3f87d26de6eca59f64a7e15fd698fb61b7a1cefd7' -H 'Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded' -H 'X-Amz-Content-Sha256: e3b0c44298fc1c149afb4c8996fb92427ae41e4649b934ca495991b7852b855' -H 'X-Amz-Date: 20190820T013058Z'
```

### Making API Requests Using AWS SDK for Java

If you are developing an application with Java, to integrate the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 API, use the AWS SDK for Java. See <https://aws.amazon.com/sdk-for-java/>.

To integrate your Java client with VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension, include the following code sample in your project:

```
package com.vmware.voss.client;

import com.amazonaws.SDKGlobalConfiguration;
import com.amazonaws.auth.AWSCredentials;
import com.amazonaws.auth.AWSStaticCredentialsProvider;
import com.amazonaws.auth.BasicAWSCredentials;
import com.amazonaws.client.builder.AwsClientBuilder;
import com.amazonaws.services.s3.AmazonS3;
import com.amazonaws.services.s3.AmazonS3ClientBuilder;
import org.junit.Test;

import static com.amazonaws.SDKGlobalConfiguration.DISABLE_CERT_CHECKING_SYSTEM_PROPERTY;

public class AWSSDKTest {

    @Test
    public void testWithAWSSDK() {

        String accessKey = "security-credentials-access-key";
        String secretKey = "security-credentials-secret-key";
        String endpoint = "https://vcloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3";
        AwsClientBuilder.EndpointConfiguration endpointConfig = new
        AwsClientBuilder.EndpointConfiguration(endpoint, null);
        AWSCredentials s3Credential = new BasicAWSCredentials(accessKey, secretKey);
        AmazonS3 client = AmazonS3ClientBuilder.standard()
            .withPathStyleAccessEnabled(true)
            .withCredentials(new AWSStaticCredentialsProvider(s3Credential))
            .withEndpointConfiguration(endpointConfig)
            .build();
        client.listBuckets();
    }
}
```

## Making API Requests Using AWS SDK for Python

For developers using Python, to integrate the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 API, use the AWS SDK for Python (Boto3). See <https://aws.amazon.com/sdk-for-python/>.

To integrate your Python application with VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension, add the following sample to your code:

```
import boto3
import botocore

import logging
logging.basicConfig(level=logging.DEBUG, format='%(asctime)s %(levelname)-8s %(message)s',
    datefmt='%a, %d %b % %H:%M:%S')

ENDPOINT="https://vcloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3"
```

```
client = boto3.client('s3', aws_access_key_id="security-credentials-access-key",
aws_secret_access_key="security-credentials-secret-key", endpoint_url=ENDPOINT)

client.list_buckets()
```

## Making API Requests Using AWS SDK for Go

If you are developing an application with Go, to integrate the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 API, use the AWS SDK for Go. See <https://aws.amazon.com/sdk-for-go/>.

To integrate your Go application with VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension, add the following sample to your code:

```
sess := session.Must(session.NewSessionWithOptions(session.Options{
    SharedConfigState: session.SharedConfigEnable,
}))

creds := credentials.NewSharedCredentials("./credentials", "test-account")
DisableSSL := true
awsConfig := aws.Config{
    Region:      aws.String("us-west-1"),
    Credentials: creds,
    Endpoint:   "https://vcloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3",
    //disable SSL only for test purposes
    DisableSSL: &DisableSSL,
}

sess, err = session.NewSession(&awsConfig)

sess.Config.HTTPClient.Transport = &http.Transport{
    TLSClientConfig: &tls.Config{InsecureSkipVerify: true},
}

s3ForcePathStyle := true
svc := s3.New(sess, &aws.Config{
    S3ForcePathStyle: &s3ForcePathStyle,
})
```

## Path-Style and Virtual Hosted-Style Requests

Starting with VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension 1.5, you can use both path-style and virtual hosted-style URIs to access your VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension resources.

### Path-Style Requests

To access your resources using path-style request, enter the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension hostname, for example `https://vcloud-object-storage.example.com`, followed by the `/api/v1/s3` parse in the middle, and bucket name and optionally the object name in the end, for example `/test-bucket` and `/object-1`.

Following is an example of a path-style request that returns the content of a bucket:

```
GET https://cloud-object-storage.example.com/api/v1/s3/test-bucket
```

To retrieve an object using a path-style request, you issue an API request of the following form:

```
GET https://cloud-object-storage.example.com/api/v1/s3/test-bucket/object-1
```

## Virtual Hosted-Style Requests

To access your resources using virtual hosted-style requests, enter the protocol prefix, for example `https://`, followed by the bucket name, then enter the mandatory `s3` prefix, and add the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension hostname, and append the bucket name and optionally the object name in the end.

To retrieve a list of all buckets owned by the authenticated user, issue a virtual hosted-style request of the following form:

```
GET https://s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com
```

Following is an example of a virtual hosted-style request that returns the content of a bucket:

```
GET https://test-bucket.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com
```

To retrieve an object using a virtual hosted-style request, you issue an API request of the following form:

```
GET https://test-bucket.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com/object-1
```

## Virtual Hosted-Style Requests and Domain Name System Configuration

With virtual hosted-style URIs, you enter bucket names as part of the domain name. As a result, multiple domain names must be routed through the Domain Name System (DNS) server to a single instance of VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension.

To avoid routing issues, create a DNS rule that routes all domain names to the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension instance. For example, route all requests from `(*)s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com` to the IP address of the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension instance.

## Working with S3 API and Cross-Origin Resource Sharing

Cross-origin resource sharing (CORS) is a mechanism for client web applications loaded in one domain to interact with resources in a different domain.

Starting with VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension 1.5, you can define CORS rules at the system and at the bucket levels. To edit global CORS settings, see [Edit Global Cross-Origin Resource Sharing Configuration](#).



Using VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 API, you can define multiple CORS rules at the bucket level. CORS rules at the bucket level only take effect on virtual hosted-style S3 API requests. If you access resources using path-style S3 API requests, the global CORS rules take effect.

All requests that match the global CORS rules conditions are served. If a request does not match global CORS rules conditions, the request is evaluated against bucket CORS rules conditions. When VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension receives an access request for a bucket, VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension evaluates the CORS configuration of the bucket and uses the a rule that matches the incoming request conditions. For a rule to match, the request must satisfy the following conditions:

- The request origin header must match the AllowedOrigin elements of the CORS rule.
- The request method, for example GET, must match the AllowedMethods elements of the CORS rule.
- Every header that is specified in the Access-Control-Request-Headers of the request of a pre-flight request must match an AllowedHeader element.

## Cross-Origin Resource Sharing Use Cases

For example, as a service provider, you are hosting a Web application at `https://cloud-object-storage.mgmt.com`. The application consumes VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 APIs. To make sure that the application is accessible for all requests, you can set a global CORS rule for `https://cloud-object-storage.mgmt.com` that allows all access requests.

As a service provider, you allow tenants to host websites in their buckets. For example, a tenant creates a website named *tenant-website* in a bucket named *websites-bucket*. The website endpoint that end users load is *websites-bucket.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com*. To be able to make authenticated GET and PUT requests against the *websites-bucket*, the tenant wants to use JavaScript. Normally, web browsers block JavaScript from making such requests, but with CORS rules you can configure the bucket to serve cross-origin requests from *websites-bucket.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com*.

For more information about AWS S3 cross-origin resource sharing, see <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/dev/cors.html>.

# Common Workflows

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This chapter contains step-by-step procedures that cover the common workflows for working with VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 API.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Manage Objects](#)
- [Encrypt an Object](#)
- [Manage a Multipart Upload](#)
- [Share an Object and a Bucket](#)

## Manage Objects

Starting with VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension 1.5, you can keep multiple variants of an object within a bucket by enabling versioning.

With versioning, you can preserve, retrieve, and restore every version of every object that you store in a bucket. You enable versioning at the bucket level. You can enable versioning during the creation of a bucket, or you can edit the versioning configuration later. By default, versioning is disabled.

When the bucket versioning is enabled, modifying object contents or metadata results in a new version of the object.

Once you enable versioning, you cannot disable the feature. You can suspend versioning. The following table describes the versioning statuses.

Status	Description
Disabled	Default feature status. VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension does not store versions of the objects that you upload.
Enabled	VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension stores versions of the objects that you upload.
Suspended	You cannot upload new object versions. Earlier versions of your objects are preserved and you can retrieve and restore an earlier version of your objects.

Version IDs are generated at the storage platform level and VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension does not control the generation of version IDs.

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**Important** If VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension uses the ECS storage platform, adding tags to an object is impossible. The ECS storage platform does not support object tagging.

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## Procedure

- 1 List all buckets owned by the authenticated user.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
GET https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
GET https://s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443
```

The response body contains a list of all buckets that the authenticated user owns.

- 2 Create a bucket.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/bucket-name
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://bucket-name.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443
```

For more information, see [https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API\\_CreateBucket.html](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API_CreateBucket.html).

The system returns a 200 OK message upon a successful creation of the bucket.

- 3 Verify that the bucket is available and accessible.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
HEAD https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/bucket-name
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
HEAD https://bucket-name.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443
```

If the bucket is available and accessible for the authenticated user, the system returns a 200 OK message.

- 4 Upload an object.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://bucket-name.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/object-name
```

For more information, see [https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API\\_PutObject.html](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API_PutObject.html).

## 5 Add tags to the object.

Object tags are key-value pairs that help you categorize objects and buckets.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name?tagging
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://bucket-name.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/object-name?tagging
```

Following is an example of a valid tagging request body in JSON and XML formats:

```
{
  "tagSets": [
    {
      "tags": [
        {
          "key": "string",
          "value": "string"
        }
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

```
<Tagging>
  <TagSet>
    <Tag>
      <Key>string</Key>
      <Value>string</Value>
    </Tag>
  </TagSet>
</Tagging>
```

For more information, see [https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API\\_PutObjectTagging.html](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API_PutObjectTagging.html).

The system returns a 200 OK message upon a successful completion of the operation.

## 6 Enable versioning for the bucket.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?versioning
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://bucket-name.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443?versioning
```

Add the following to the request body:

```
{
  "status": "Enabled"
}
```

The system returns a 200 OK message upon a successful completion of the operation.

7 Modify the content of the object that you uploaded.

8 Upload the modified object.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://bucket-name.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/object-name
```

9 Retrieve version details of the object.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
GET https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?
versions&prefix=object_name
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
GET https://bucket-name.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443?versions&prefix=object_name
```

The system returns the following:

```
<ListVersionResult>
  <Name>bucket-name</Name>
  <Prefix>object-name</Prefix>
  <KeyMarker/>
  <VersionIdMarker/>
  <MaxKeys>1000</MaxKeys>
  <IsTruncated>>false</IsTruncated>
  <Version>
    <Key>object-name</Key>
    <VersionId>version-id-string</VersionId>
    <IsLatest>>true</IsLatest>
    <LastModified>timestamp</LastModified>
    <Owner>
      <ID>owner-id-string</ID>
      <DisplayName>object-owner</DisplayName>
    </Owner>
    <ETag>etag-string</ETag>
```

```

    <StorageClass>STANDARD</StorageClass>
    <Size>version-size</Size>
  </Version>
  <Version>
    <Key>object-name</Key>
    <VersionId>version-id-string</VersionId>
    <IsLatest>>false</IsLatest>
    <LastModified>timestamp</LastModified>
    <Owner>
      <ID>owner-id-string</ID>
      <DisplayName>object-owner</DisplayName>
    </Owner>
    <ETag>etag-string</ETag>
    <StorageClass>STANDARD</StorageClass>
    <Size>version-size</Size>
  </Version>
</ListVersionResult>

```

## 10 Retrieve the contents of a specific version of the object.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
GET https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object_name?
versionId=version-id-string
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
GET https://bucket-name.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/object-name?versionId=version-id-
string
```

The system returns the contents of the version of the object that you specified in the request.

## Encrypt an Object

With the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 API, you can encrypt individual objects for security purposes.

A tenant administrator can force a server-side encryption at VMware Cloud Director organization level using the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension user interface. Encrypting objects using the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension API overrides the encryption configuration that is set using the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension user interface.

This procedure demonstrates how to encrypt an object using SSE-C type of encryption.

This type of encryption requires you to manage your encryption algorithms and master keys. The objects are encrypted as VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension writes the data to disks in the data center and decrypts the data when you access it.

When you add an object, you provide the encryption key as part of the request. VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension uses the encryption key to apply AES-256 encryption to your data.

When you encrypt an object, you encrypt only the object data, not the object metadata.

When you want to retrieve your data, you provide the encryption key as part of your request. VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension verifies that the encryption key matches the key used for the object upload. If the keys match, VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension decrypts the object and returns the data to you.

### Prerequisites

- Verify that you have an SSE-C encryption key. For more information about the encryption key specifics, see <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/dev/ServerSideEncryptionCustomerKeys.html>.
- Verify that you calculated a base64-encoded 128-bit MD5 digest of the encryption key.

### Procedure

- 1 Upload and encrypt an object using your own encryption key.

Add the following three headers to the VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 API request:

Header	Description
x-amz-server-side-encryption-customer-algorithm	Specifies the encryption algorithm. For the SSE-C encryption type, enter AES256.
x-amz-server-side-encryption-customer-key	Specifies the encryption key. Use this header to provide the 256-bit, base64-encoded encryption key. This key is used to encrypt and decrypt your data.
x-amz-server-side-encryption-customer-key-MD5	Use this header to enter the base64-encoded 128-bit MD5 digest of the encryption key.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://bucket-name.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/object-name
```

Upon a successful upload and encryption, the system returns a 200 OK message.

- 2 Access the encrypted object.

To access encrypted objects, you provide the encryption key and use the same headers that you used when uploading and encrypting the object.

You can access the object using one of the following methods:

- To retrieve an object, use the GET method.
- To verify if the object is available and accessible for the authenticated user, use the HEAD method.
- To copy and object, use the PUT method. See [https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API\\_CopyObject.html](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API_CopyObject.html).

If you do not provide the encryption key, the system returns a 401 Unauthorized message.

## Manage a Multipart Upload

With the multipart upload API operation, you can upload large objects in parts. You can also use the multipart upload API to copy an existing object.

Multipart upload consists of the following three substeps:

- 1 You initiate the upload.
- 2 You upload parts of the object.
- 3 After you upload all parts of the object, you complete the upload.

After the successful completion of the multipart upload, VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension builds the object using all uploaded parts and you can access the object just as you access any other objects in your buckets.

You can list all multipart uploads that are in progress and you can get a list of all the parts that you uploaded for a specific multipart upload.

When you initiate a multipart upload, VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension returns an upload ID that is a unique identifier for the multipart upload. You use the ID to upload parts, to complete the upload, or to abort it.

### Procedure

- 1 List all multipart uploads in the bucket.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
GET https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/bucket-name?uploads
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
GET https://bucket-name.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443?uploads
```

The system returns details about all multipart uploads in the bucket.

- 2 Initiate a multipart upload.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
POST https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name?uploads
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
POST https://bucket-name.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/object-name?uploads
```

For more information about the operation and the request body, see [https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API\\_CreateMultipartUpload.html](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API_CreateMultipartUpload.html).



Upon a successful creation of the multipart upload, the system returns an upload ID. Note the ID, as you need it to upload parts and to complete the upload.

### 3 Upload parts.

You must include the multipart upload ID and the part number in the upload part request.

Part numbers can be any number from 1 to 10,000, inclusive. A part number uniquely identifies a part and also defines its position within the object being created. If you upload a new part using the same part number that was used with a previous part, the previously uploaded part is overwritten. Each part must be at least 5 MB, except the last part. There is no size limit on the last part of your multipart upload.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name?uploadId,
partNumber=number-of-the-part-you-upload
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://bucket-name.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/object-name?uploadId,
partNumber=number-of-the-part-you-upload
```

For more information, see [https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API\\_UploadPart.html](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API_UploadPart.html).

Upon a successful upload, the system returns a part number and an ETag value. Note the two values for each uploaded part, as you need them for completing the multipart upload.

### 4 List the previously uploaded parts.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
GET https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name?encoding-
type=<encoding-method>,max-parts=max-number-of-parts,part-number-marker=number,uploadId
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
GET https://bucket-name.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/object-name?encoding-
type=<encoding-method>,max-parts=max-number-of-parts,part-number-marker=number,uploadId
```

By default, the request a maximum of 1000 uploaded parts. To change the default value, use the `max-parts` argument.

To select the part after which the listing begins, use the `part-number-marker`.

For more information, see [https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API\\_ListParts.html](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API_ListParts.html).

### 5 Complete multipart upload.

After you successfully upload all parts of an object, use this VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension S3 API request to build the object using all parts. VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension concatenates all parts in ascending order by part number to create a new object.

You must provide a complete list of the uploaded parts in the request. The operation only concatenates parts that are present in the list. For each part in the list, you must provide the part number and the ETag value, returned after that part was uploaded.

This operation can take several minutes to complete, so VMware Cloud Director Object Storage Extension periodically sends whitespace characters to keep the connection from timing out. Since the operation might fail after the initial 200 OK response, regularly check the response body to verify if the request succeeded.

If you use the multipart upload API in your application, make sure that your application is prepared to retry failed requests.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
POST https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/bucket-name/object-name?uploadId
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
POST https://bucket-name.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/object-name?uploadId
```

For more information, see [https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API\\_CompleteMultipartUpload.html](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API_CompleteMultipartUpload.html).

## Share an Object and a Bucket

To share an object, you use access control lists (ACLs). To set the ACL of an object, you must have the **WRITE\_ACP** permission for the object.

Depending on your application architecture and needs, you can set the ACLs using the request headers or the body of the request.

When setting access permissions, you can use predefined ACL and specify the type with the `x-amz-acl` header, or explicitly specify the permissions you grant with the following headers:

- `x-amz-grant-read`
- `x-amz-grant-read-acp`
- `x-amz-grant-write-acp`
- `x-amz-grant-full-control`

To grant permissions, you specify the grantee of the permission as a type-value pair. Following are the available grantee types:

- To use the user name of an organization user, use the `id` type.
- To grant permissions to a predefined group, use the `uri` type.

For more information about working with ACLs, see <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/dev/acl-overview.html>.

Following the steps in the current procedure, you assign the **Read of Object**, the **Write of Object**, and the **Write of Bucket** permissions to an organization user. Then assign **Public Read** permissions for the object.

### Prerequisites

- Verify that you created an object in a bucket. For example, *report\_dec.xlsx*, in the *Reports* bucket.
- Verify that you have **WRITE\_ACP** permissions for the *report\_dec.xlsx* object and for the *Reports* bucket.

### Procedure

- 1 Assign **Read of Object** permissions to an organization user.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/Reports/report_dec.xlsx
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://Reports.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/report_dec.xlsx
```

If you use the request headers, use the `x-amz-grant-read` header and the user ID of the grantee.

If you use the request body, see the following example of a valid request body in JSON and XML formats:

```
{
  "grants": [
    {
      "grantee": {
        "id": "ID-of-Jane-Doe"
      },
      "permission": "READ"
    }
  ],
  "owner": {
    "displayName": "Jane Doe"
  }
}
```

```
<AccessControlPolicy>
  <Owner>
    <ID>ID-of-Jane-Doe</ID>
    <DisplayName>Jane Doe</DisplayName>
  </Owner>
  <AccessControlList>
    <Grant>
      <Grantee>
        <ID>ID-of-John-Doe</ID>
        <DisplayName>John Doe</DisplayName>
      </Grantee>
    </Grant>
  </AccessControlList>
</AccessControlPolicy>
```

```

    <Permission>READ</Permission>
  </Grant>
</AccessControlList>
</AccessControlPolicy>

```

The grantee can now download the object.

- 2 To allow the organization user to upload updated versions of the object to the bucket, assign **Write of Bucket** permissions for the bucket.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/Reports
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://Reports.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443
```

If you use the request headers, use the `x-amz-grant-write` header and the user ID of the grantee.

If you use the request body, see the following example of a valid request body in JSON and XML formats:

```

{
  "grants": [
    {
      "grantee": {
        "id": "ID-of-John-Doe"
      },
      "permission": "WRITE"
    }
  ],
  "owner": {
    "displayName": "Jane Doe"
  }
}

```

```

<AccessControlPolicy>
  <Owner>
    <ID>ID-of-Jane-Doe</ID>
    <DisplayName>Jane Doe</DisplayName>
  </Owner>
  <AccessControlList>
    <Grant>
      <Grantee>
        <ID>ID-of-John-Doe</ID>
        <DisplayName>John Doe</DisplayName>
      </Grantee>
      <Permission>WRITE</Permission>
    </Grant>
  </AccessControlList>
</AccessControlPolicy>

```

The grantee can now upload updated versions of the object to the bucket.

- 3 To enable sharing the report to internal and external users, make the object publicly readable.

If you use path-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/api/v1/s3/Reports/report_dec.xlsx
```

If you use virtual hosted-style requests, use the following format for your request:

```
PUT https://Reports.s3.cloud-object-storage.example.com:8443/report_dec.xlsx
```

Use the `x-amz-acl` header with the `public-read` value.