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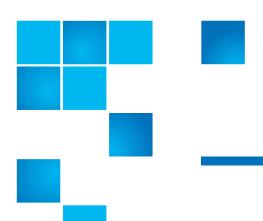
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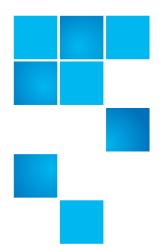
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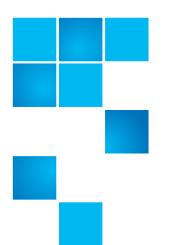
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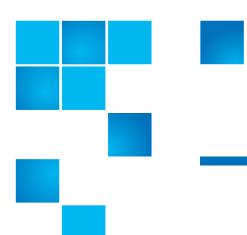
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Preface

This guide contains information and instructions necessary for the normal operation and management of the Scalar LTFS Appliance. This guide is intended for system administrators, operators, or anyone interested in learning about or using the Scalar LTFS Appliance after its initial installation and configuration.

Audience

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Document Organization

Following is a brief description of chapter contents.

- <u>Chapter 1, Introduction</u> provides the product overview, lists system requirements, and describes the system's features and benefits.
- <u>Chapter 2, Best Practices</u> describes best practices for installing the system, operating the system, and configuring the system.
- <u>Chapter 3, Logging On and Navigation</u> provides instructions for logging on, depicts the navigational flow of GUI, and provides a picture of the Home screen.

- <u>Chapter 4, Configuring the Appliance</u> provides instructions for configuring the appliance.
- <u>Chapter 5, System Media Operations</u> describes how to manage files and media using the Scalar LTFS Appliance.
- <u>Chapter 6, Maintaining the System</u> provides procedures for tasks available under the GUI Tools menu, including requesting a system configuration record, backing up and restoring your system configuration, capturing a system snapshot, updating firmware, and reviewing and resolving diagnostic tickets. Finally, this chapter discusses reports and logs available to help maintain system integrity.
- <u>Chapter 7, Reports</u> provides details on all the reports available for viewing and for sending.
- <u>Chapter 8, Troubleshooting</u> provides a list of frequently asked questions, identifies known issues by category—server hardware, library tape drive, and software, and provides a list of system alerts.
- Appendix A, User Roles provides a listing of functions available based on the assigned user role.
- Glossary provides a list of terms used throughout this document and their definitions.

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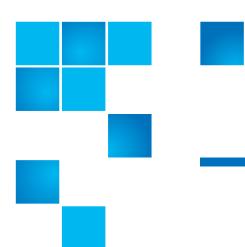
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Chapter 1 Introduction

This chapter introduces Scalar LTFS Appliance, including:

- <u>Product Overview</u> on page 1
- Available Hardware Configurations on page 2
- System Requirements on page 3
- Graphical User Interface (GUI) Description on page 4
- Features and Benefits on page 4
- <u>License Key Implementation</u> on page 5

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Product Overview

The Scalar LTFS Appliance is a file system that presents a Quantum tape library as an NAS share. This appliance makes files viewable as if they

resided on your local disk and allows users to drag and drop files directly to and from a tape cartridge.

This appliance provides large file portability so that you can quickly and easily retrieve large files, whether they are active or archived, from your library, exchange files with other organizations (inside and outside of your company) for collaborative and sequential work-flow applications, and drag and drop files to and from tape.

Available Hardware Configurations

The Scalar LTFS Appliance can be ordered in the following configurations (see table below). For configuration guidelines, refer to Chapter 4, Configuring the Appliance.

Table 1 Scalar LTFS
Configurations

Scalar LTFS Appliance Configuration	Rack Space Required
Scalar LTFS 1 GbE SAS Appliance 5 x 1 GbE Ethernet ports	2u
2 x 6 Gbps SAS ports	
Scalar LTFS 1 GbE FC Appliance	2u
5 x 1 GbE Ethernet ports	
2 x 8 Gbps Fibre Channel ports	
Scalar LTFS 10 GbE SAS Appliance	2u
2 x 10 GbE Ethernet ports	
1 x 1 GbE Ethernet port	
2 x 6 Gbps SAS ports	
Scalar LTFS 10 GbE FC Appliance	2u
2 x 10 GbE Ethernet ports	
1 x 1 GbE Ethernet port	
4 x 8 Gbps Fibre Channel ports	

System Requirements

This section lists the system requirements and a description of each requirement.

Requirement	Description
Use with library	Scalar i40, Scalar i80, Scalar i500, Scalar i6000, Dell ML6000
Drives	HP LTO-5 and LTO-6 IBM LTO-5, LTO-6 and LTO-7
Library Connectivity	Fibre channel SAS
Network Connectivity	Recommended minimum 1GbE
Media	LTO-5 or later
Operating System	Tested operating systems CIFS • Windows Server 2003 • Windows Server 2008 • Windows Server 2012 • Windows 7 • Mac OS X 10.7 NFS v4 • Linux RHEL 5.6 • Linux Ubuntu 10.4
Internet Browsers	Tested Internet Browsers: • Firefox 18.0.2, 19.0, 26.0, 40.0.3 • Chrome 18.0, 25.0.x, 32.0.x, 45.0.x • Internet Explorer 8.0.x, 9.x • Safari 5.0.6
Adobe Flash Player	• 10 or higher

Supported Libraries and Drives

The Scalar LTFS Appliance supports the following Scalar Libraries and drives:

Library	Drive
Scalar i40/i80	HP LTO-5 and LTO-6 (FC and SAS)
Scalar i500	HP LTO-5 and LTO-6 (FC and SAS) IBM LTO-5 and LTO-6 (FC)
Scalar i6000	HP LTO-5 and LTO-6 (FC) IBM LTO-5, LTO-6 and LTO-7 (FC)
Dell ML6000	IBM LTO-5 and LTO-6 (FC and SAS)

Graphical User Interface (GUI) Description

You configure and manage the appliance using the GUI. To learn more about accessing and using the GUI, refer to Chapter 3, Logging On and Navigation.

Features and Benefits

Product Features	Customer Benefits
NAS bridge to tape library	Enables broad market access to tape technology without the use of a backup or archive application
Can span multiple libraries	Saves investment for multiple library environments

Product Features	Customer Benefits
Presents cartridge level addressability	Easy project level container management
Intuitive web-based interface	User friendly operation reduces IT support burden
Library partition support	Can differentiate departmental files
Mirrored disk storage of index	Maintains high availability in the event of hard drive failure
Index backup function	Enables quick recovery of index in the event of unit failure or replacement
Appliance based	Simplifies set up and use; reduces IT support cost; Assures expected performance
Supports HP & IBM drives	Protects user legacy investment and maintains choices for future
Scalable model	Performance and tape drive license upgrades keeps initial investment manageable while offering needed growth over time
Stackable	Multiple appliance will naturally appear in NAS presentation of file system
Volume Groups	Allows management of multiple media/volumes under one folder providing easily scalable storage capacity.
File Spanning	Spanning of files across multiple media/volumes making storage management easier.

License Key Implementation

All Scalar LTFS Appliances use drive licenses to enable access to a number of tape drives. A Scalar LTFS Appliance can only access the number of tape drives matching the number of drive licenses that are installed on the appliance. Users accessing the Scalar LTFS Appliance should be less than or equal to the number of drives licensed on the partition to ensure optimal performance. If there are too many users performance can be degraded, leading to errors and possible system time outs.

Chapter 1: Introduction License Key Implementation

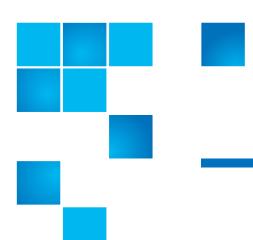
Each appliance ships with a two (2) drive license installed on the appliance.

Additional drive licenses can be added to a maximum of eight (8) tape drive licenses per appliance. Any additional drive licenses ordered with the appliance must be installed separately.

The table below provides examples of how your licenses are used with your library.

If you purchased:	And your library has:	Then
2 tape drive licenses	2 LTO-5 or higher tape drives	All tape drives can be accessed via the appliance.
2 tape drive licenses	4 LTO-5 or higher tape drives	2 tape drives can be accessed via the appliance.
4 tape drive licenses	10 LTO-5 or higher tape drives	4 tape drives can be accessed via the appliance

Note: Any drives that are installed but not licensed can be used as fail over drives in case of a drive malfunction.



Chapter 2 **Best Practices**

This chapter defines the term *best practice* and lists the known best practices for installing, configuring, and operating the Scalar LTFS Appliance.

What is a Best Practice? on page 7

<u>Client Side File System Configuration</u> on page 8

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What is a Best Practice?

A best practice is a method or technique that has consistently shown results superior to those achieved with other means and is used as a benchmark. In addition, a best practice can evolve to become better as improvements are discovered. Best practice is a refined method of operation that multiple organizations can use.

Client Side File System Configuration

NFS Mount Options

It is recommended to use NFS on Linux to prevent data corruption. The following details the proper command and timeout (timeo) settings for the fstab:

#.#.#:./ScalarLTFS /ScalarLTFS nfs4
timeo=12000,mountproto=tcp,users,rw,hard,intr,bg,rsi
ze=1048576,wsize=1048576 0 0

For command line, use the following command and timeout settings:

mount -o rsize=1048576,wsize=1048576,timeo=12000 172.16.10.10:/ScalarLTFS /<dir>

For optimum performance, modify the /etc/fstab file on your host server (not the Scalar LTFS Appliance) by changing the IP or DNS name of the Scalar LTFS Appliance to 10.20.226.107.

Some LTO-5 tape operations (space, locate, read) can take 20 minutes to complete successfully. The timeo value, expressed in deciseconds, equates to 20 minutes.

- Operations that complete more quickly are unaffected (in particular, they are in no way delayed by this timeout value)
- This specification will prevent NFS from retrying commands that cause long-running tape operations prematurely, and may avert stale file handle errors.

Note: NFS mount options are unsupported on Mac OS.

NFS Hard Mounts

Hard mounts are the preferred option when communicating with NFS servers because they will preserve data transfers in the event of a server failure. If the host 'hangs' during a hard mount, the user should restart the Scalar LTFS Appliance. Any I/O requests sent during the reboot will complete after the Scalar LTFS Appliance restarts.

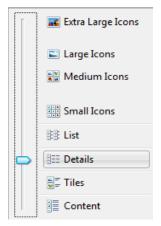
Directory Visibility -Windows 7

File directories should always be set to details or list mode to make file transfers as easy as possible.

To view Scalar LTFS directories in Windows 7:

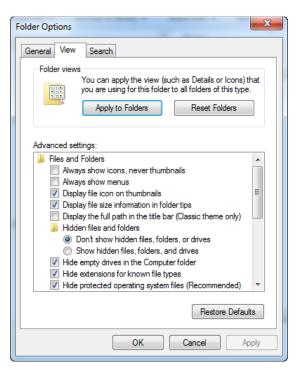
1 Set the current directory to **Details** or **List** mode.

Figure 1 Folder display options



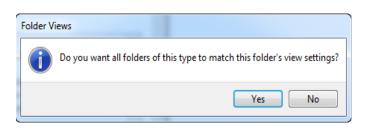
2 Go into Organize >Folder and Search Options and select the View tab.

Figure 2 Folder Options window



- 3 Click the Apply to Folders button.
- 4 A confirmation box displays asking if you want to apply the view options to all the sub-folders. Click **Yes**.

Figure 3 Folder Views confirmation dialog box



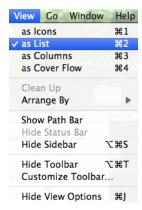
Directory Visibility - Mac OS

To view Scalar LTFS directories in Mac OS:

1 Select the LTFS directory.

2 Select View > as List.

Figure 4 Selecting as List from the View menu



3 Select View > Show View Options.

Figure 5 Selecting Show View Options from the View menu



4 From the View Options window, select the Always open in list view check box.

Figure 6 View Options window



5 Close the window to apply changes.

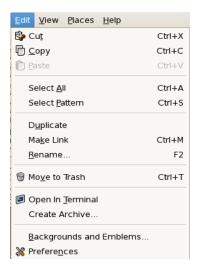
Note: Mac users will have to apply these settings to each directory. Subdirectories will not inherit properties of their parent directory.

Directory Visibility -Linux

To view Scalar LTFS directories in Linux using a file browser:

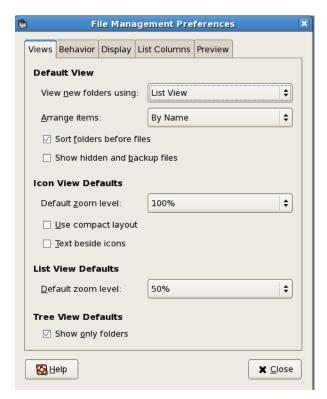
- 1 Select the LTFS directory.
- 2 Select Edit > Preferences.

Figure 7 Edit menu options



3 From the View tab of the File Management Preferences window, select List View from the View new folders using: drop-down menu.

Figure 8 File Management Preferences window



4 Click Close.

WORM

Write Once Read Many (WORM) media is not compatible with the LTFS format. WORM media cartridges have only a single partition, while LTFS requires cartridges to be formatted with two partitions.

Concurrent Volume Group Access Limitations with NFS and CIFS

Avoid creating more mounted volume groups than available drives. When the number of accessed volume groups exceeds the number of drives, the drives are said to be **oversubscribed**.

If a file access request is received on a volume in a partition that has no available drives, the following occurs:

• If the file transfer protocol is CIFS, a file system error (EAGAIN) is returned indicating that the resource is temporarily unavailable.

The user can retry the operation in hopes that a drive has become available.

• If the file transfer protocol is NFS, the operation is automatically retried. However, the order of file operations may not be preserved if several operations are accessing volume groups in that partition.

NFS File Fragmentation

NFS uses file caching and multiple simultaneous data transfer threads to increase performance when writing data to disk. NFS does not keep file data in order, because this is not important for disk storage devices.

Since NFS is not designed to write files to tape, writing file sectors out of sequence to a tape device causes lower transfer rate when the file is read due to the fragmentation of the file on the tape. Because of this, Quantum recommends transferring data to the Scalar LTFS file system using direct I/O, which will bypass the NFS caching layer and write the data directly to the tape device.

Quantum also recommends the following options:

- When using vendor-supplied or off-the-shelf applications, specify direct I/O access when the application supports it
- When using in-house applications to write data to Scalar LTFS, amend open system calls to specify direct I/O
- Send application output to STDOUT and direct it through the Linux standard 'dd' command. Specify the option "bs=512k oflags=direct" to block data for LTFS and send it using direct I/O
- If none of the previous options are available, write files to a local disk and use the 'dd' command to copy the files to LTFS

Note: Writing files using direct I/O takes more time than using NFS, but greatly increases the read performance when the file is needed in the future.

Note: The Scalar LTFS Appliance does not support the use of NFS with Mac or Windows OS.

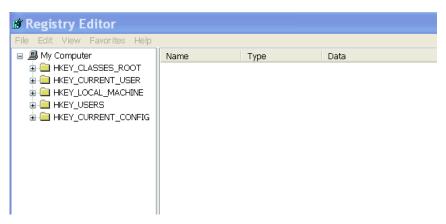
Maximize CIFS Performance

For CIFS, a Windows Registry setting can be modified to help prevent network time-outs when moving files over CIFS. This prevents errors occurring on the initial mount of the media. The SessTimeout value defaults to 45 seconds. Quantum recommends you increase the value to 3600 seconds.

Caution: It is recommended that before attempting to modify a Windows Registry, that users backup the existing registry in case the modifications cause issues with their host.

- 1 From the Windows Start menu, click **Run**. The **Run** window displays.
- 2 Type REGEDIT, and click OK. The Registry Editor window displays.

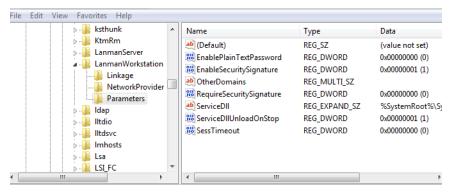
Figure 9 **Registry Editor** window



3 Locate the following registry key:

HKEY LOCAL MACHINE/System/CurrentControlSet/ Services/LanmanWorkstation/Parameters

Figure 10 **SessTimeout** value



- 4 Set the value of **SessTimeout** to 3600.
- 5 If SessTimeout value does not exist, create it as a new REG_DWORD value.
 - a Right click in the Registry Editor window. Select New > DWORD value.
 - **b** Name the new value SessTimeout.
 - c Right click SessTimeout > Modify. The DWORD Value window displays.

Figure 11 **DWORD Value** window



- d In the Value Data field, type 3600.
- e Click OK.

Note: After editing the **SessTimeout** value, the host should be restarted to update to the new settings.

Network Busy Error - CIFS

For CIFS, if all tape drives are mounted the next request for an unmounted volume will fail, producing an **EAGAIN** error code and display a **Network Busy** error. To avoid this error, users need to allow a tape drive to become available before attempting to access an unmounted volume.

Installation

Known Good Tape

Before library resources are added to the Scalar LTFS Appliance, it is recommended that a known good tape be created with non-critical customer data. This tape will provide data that is easily verifiable by the customer to help isolate media and drive issues if any occur after the initial installation of Scalar LTFS.

Software Configuration

Quantum recommends the following:

- After attaching media, ensure you save your configuration. Refer to the configuration matrix in your release notes.
- Media is set to discovered media with the state of auto-attachable by default.

Operations

Quantum recommends the following:

• If you want to use file spanning, SLTFS should only have a single partition configured for a single appliance.

- If you want to configure more than one partition:
 - you must only have a single volume per volume group
 - you must deselect the Scratch Enabled check box on the Volume Group window
- Partitions should be configured to pair drive types with their specific media (i.e. LTO-5 drives with LTO-5 media) and avoid mixing.
- Each partition should have a minimum of two (2) drives and ideally one more drive than the number of active volume groups contained in the partition. The additional drive allows for higher system performance as a result of less wait time for an available drive.
- File editors or utilities that overwrite parts of a file should not be used. Only write full files to a volume group.
- If 'Scratch Enabled' is selected for a volume group ensure the scratch pool is kept populated by available media.
- If a volume group becomes temporarily unavailable as a result of a power outages or other job failures, run a **Volume Group Repair**.
- Any failed Replication or Merge of a volume group will need a Volume Group Repair job run to restore the volume group to it's state prior to the replication or merge job.

Note: Volume Group Repair jobs can take a considerable amount of time to complete. It is recommended that repair jobs be done when the appliance is idle.

- It is highly recommended to run a Volume Group Replication job on any volume group that has a Reclamation Rating or Fragmentation Rating above 7.
- Any aborted media export jobs should have a Volume Group Repair job run to get the media state back to Attached and Available.
- For best performance, *volumes* should be limited to a maximum of 1 million files and the *system* should be limited to 1 billion files.
- When troubleshooting system operations, your first step should be to check the diagnostic tickets and follow the resolutions listed. If following the resolution steps doesn't solve the problem, check the hardware manufacturers' web sites for available firmware updates.

This is especially important for attached tape drives. Work with a service representative to install new drive code if available.

At any given time for each attached partition, the number of active
users writing or reading files to/from LTFS volumes should be less than
or equal to the number of drives on the partition. If there are too
many users, performance can be degraded to where users
experience delays and possibly time-outs due to contention when
several users try to access the same drive.

Note: Windows and Mac clients accessing LTFS volumes will receive an error, and will need to reissue the I/O.

Note: If clients are accessing Scalar LTFS using NFS, if there are no available resources, NFS will automatically retry the file system operation. However, there is no way to control the access order if multiple users are attempting to access resources.

- Create a work-flow that minimizes contention among users for access to the same volume groups. When multiple concurrent users try to access the same volume group, performance degrades as the drive rethreads the media searching for data in various tape locations.
- Each volume group should be confined to a single user since multiuser access can lead to performance issues, fragmented media, reduced drive availability and tape shoe-shining.
- Avoid editing files that reside on tape. Move files to local storage, edit them, and copy them back to tape at regular intervals.

Caution: On Windows 7, users may see a **Properties Lost** dialog while copying files. Disregard this dialog since there is no impact to the data transfer.

Caution: When working with video files on Windows 7, ensure that the **Duration** column is not visible when selecting the file. This could cause a full file reload, delaying the opening of the file.

Caution: When a tape reaches capacity a user will be unable to delete individual files from the tape. To create space to add files, the tape will need to be reformatted after all required data has been copied to a different tape.

- Viewing individual volume groups through the file system will not display the amount of free space available. Users must view the media through the GUI to see the amount of free space available.
- Creating folders or directories on a volume group can take longer than expected after I/O is completed because the tape must be positioned to a different location to write the necessary folder or directory information.
- The nature of LTFS is such that deleted files are not erased from the volume group, but are merely removed from the index of files on the tape. This maintains the pointers between files to permit better access to data on the tape. However, it means that deleting files does not recover storage space on tape.
- Ensure that the appliance displays the accurate time. Use NTP for settings on the **Date and Time** window.
- Use personalized account user IDs to track who made system changes. Require any users who have access to generic IDs to use the sudo command to access the generic ID.
- Format only blank media or media that contains data that can be recovered from another source.

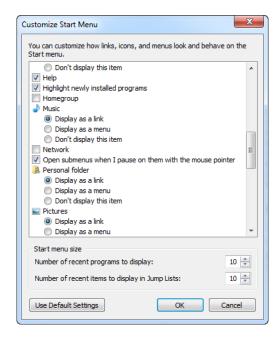
Caution: Formatting media irrevocably destroys all data existing on the tape.

- Avoid introducing non-LTFS volume groups into a partition that is managed by Scalar LTFS. This prevents human error by which an operator may mistakenly request a format operation through Scalar LTFS of a volume group that contains non-LTFS data.
- If resource files are being used on a MacOS it is recommended that the Finder not be used because it will automatically access these resource files, causing slower system performance and higher tape usage.
- It is known that with some native file browsers and applications will attempt to perform hidden file reads to gather file information for

user presentation. This can cause unexpected tape mounts and severe performance issues if the user attempts to read or write data to this tape at the same time.

To avoid these behaviors when using native file browsers (i.e. Finder on MacOS and Explorer on Window OS):

- Use Quantum's version of muCommander on Mac and Windows systems (for information on installing muCommander, see the Scalar LTFS Release Notes)
- Use the command line interface for Linux systems
- It is recommended that users on a Windows platform disable the Mouse Over Open Folder option:
 - a Right-click on the Start button.
 - **b** Select **Properties**.
 - c Click Customize.
 - d Uncheck the Open sub-menus when I pause on them with the mouse pointer option.
 - e Click OK.
 - f Click OK.



Special Characters

Avoid the following special characters in file and directory names:

Attaching/Formatting Large Number of Media

It is recommended that any volumes that need to be accessed quickly should be attached/formatted in a small group so these volume will not be randomly queued in the system.

Recovering Storage Space

To recover storage space after deleting files from a tape:

- 1 Copy the entire volume group, including its directory structure and files, to local storage.
- 2 Reformat the tape.
- **3** Copy the files back from local storage back to the tape.

Alternatively, the volume group can be replicated using a volume group replication job. The volume group replication also precludes the need for local disk storage for the replication.

Reassign Control of a Partition to a Different Scalar LTFS Appliance

- 1 Stop all I/O to the SLTFS appliance.
- **2** Login to Scalar LTFS.
- **3** Wait until all media are unmounted from all drives in the partition which is being reassigned.
- 4 Select Configuration > Partitions.
- **5** Take the partition offline and detach it.
- 6 Make any necessary cabling or library configuration changes in order for the second Scalar LTFS appliance to access the partition.
- 7 Login to the second Scalar LTFS appliance.
- **8** From the Configuration screen, select Partitions.
- 9 Attach and bring the partition online, as well as at least one drive.

Library

Quantum recommends the following:

Library Service Tickets

 Monitor your Scalar tape library for any new tickets. These tickets may indicate early issues and tape alerts related to Scalar LTFS media and drives.

Caution: These alerts cannot be ignored or data loss is a possibility.

Tape library tickets are coded as follows:

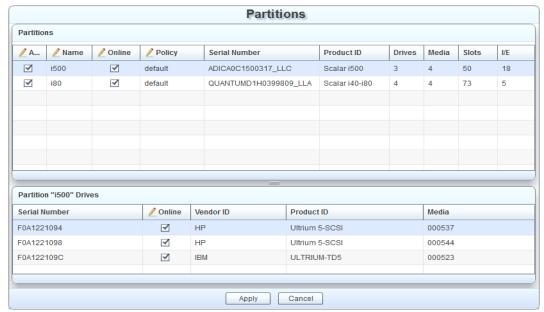
- **Blue**: Severity 3 Diagnostic Tickets. Action: Issue should be noted. Resolve tickets according to resolution
- Yellow: Severity 2 Diagnostic Tickets. Action: Resolve tickets according to resolution. System impact is likely
- **Red**: Severity 1 Diagnostic Tickets. Immediate attention is required. Action: Resolve ticket according to Diagnostic Resolution

Adding/Removing Libraries/Drives

It may become necessary for a user to add a drive or a new partition. If this is the case, during this operation users will want to avoid any action that conflicts with a drive's I/O functions. To add a drive or library, complete the following steps:

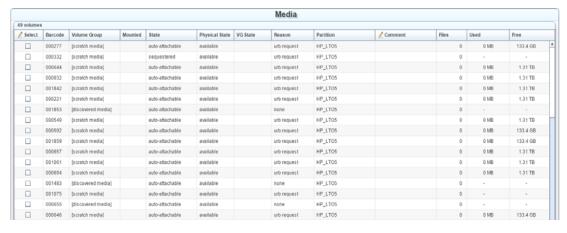
- 1 Cable the drive/library to the Scalar LTFS appliance.
- 2 Using the Scalar LTFS GUI, unmount all drives by selecting Configuration > Partitions.

Figure 12 **Partitions** window



- 3 De-select the check box for each drive in the **Online** column and click **Apply**.
- 4 Go to Operations > Media and ensure that all media have been unmounted. Media will no longer have a check mark in the Mounted column.

Figure 13 Media window



5 Once all the drives are unmounted, go to **Operations** > **Partitions**. The new drive/library will appear.

Note: It may take up to two minutes from the time the last drive was unmounted for the new drive/library to appear in the **Partitions** window.

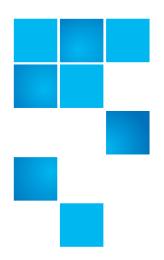
Note: Scalar LTFS does not support attaching new hardware while the appliance is active ('hot plugging'). The Scalar LTFS Appliance must be rebooted to guarantee that the new library or drive will display properly.

To remove a library/drive:

- 1 Stop all I/O on host devices.
- 2 Wait for all tape drives to dismount which is dependent on the Idle Volume Timeout setting (Configuration > System).
- **3** Once all media is unloaded, take the partition offline and detach it.
- 4 Remove the cable from the partition to the appliance. The partition will disappear from the GUI within 10 minutes.

Barcode Display

For Scalar LTFS to detect incompatible media types in the system, it is important that your library is setup to show the entire or extended barcode, specifically the L5 or L6 at the end of the barcode. Review your library's documentation for instructions on how to set this option properly.



Chapter 3 **Logging On and Navigation**

This chapter includes the following information:

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- Logging Off on page 38

Note: The information you see in your Web browser window depends on your user role. You can only view and work with information and devices accessible by your assigned role.

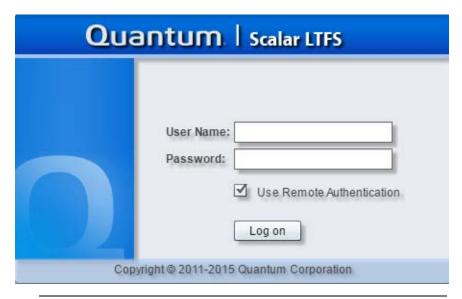
Logging On to Scalar LTFS Appliance

Follow the steps below to log on to Scalar LTFS Appliance:

1 Launch a supported Web browser on a workstation that has network access to the server. See System Requirements on page 3 for a list of supported browsers.

2 In the Web browser address box, type the IP address or host name of the Scalar LTFS Appliance server, and then press **Enter**. The **Login** window displays.

Figure 14 Login Window



Note: Since the Scalar LTFS Appliance uses HTTPS, users may get a warning displayed alerting them to this. Users should proceed and disregard the warning.

Note: If the Login window does not display, verify that the IP address is correct. Also verify that you are using a supported Web browser with Adobe Flash 10 or higher installed. Then try again. If you are still unable to access the Login window, contact your system administrator.

3 Type the Username and Password.

Note: The default username is admin and the default password is password.

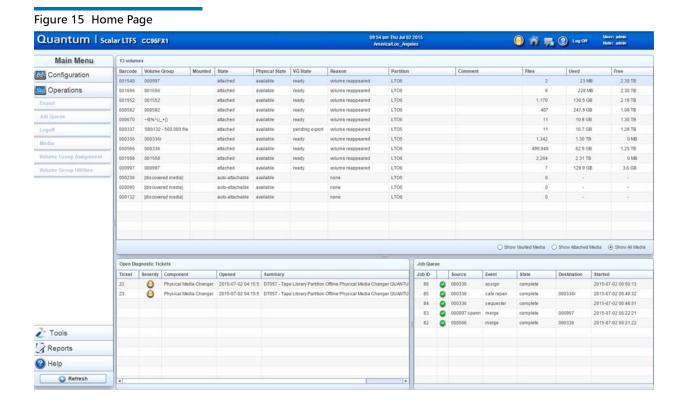
4 If you are using LDAP for authentication, make sure the **Use Remote Authentication** check box is selected. This will only be displayed if Remote Login is enabled.

5 Click **Log on**. After a successful login, the **Home** window displays (see Figure 15 below).

If you are unable to log on, verify that your username and password are correct, then try again.

Navigating in the Graphical User Interface (GUI)

The GUI runs in a Web browser window using the Flash Player Plugin. Figure 15 depicts the Scalar LTFS Appliance Home screen. After logging on to appliance, the **Home** screen displays.



The tables below describes the Home screen components.

Table 2 Home Page: Media List

Column	Description
Barcode	The ASCII (characters and numbers) that identifies the unique piece of media. This code is displayed on the media as a printed array of varied rectangular bars and spaces that can be scanned and read for object identification.
Volume Group	A collection of one or more media into a single volume.
Mounted	Indicates media is loaded in a drive.
State	The current state of the media:
	Auto-attachable - indicates the media is available for auto-attaching to a volume group
	Attached - indicates the media is attached to a VG
	Sequestered - indicates the media is unavailable
	Vaulted - indicates the media is unavailable and is not physically in the library
	Pending attach - indicates the media is in the process of being attached
	Pending format - indicates the media is in the process of being formatted
	Preparing for export - indicates the media is being prepared for export
	Ready for export - indicates the media is ready for export
	Pending export - indicates the media is in the process of being exported
	Repair in progress - indicates the media is in the process of being repaired
	Merging volume groups - indicates the media is in the process of being merged Verifying - indicates the media is in the process of being verified
	Busy reclaiming - indicates the media is in the process of being reclaimed
	Busy repairing - indicates the media is in the process of being repaired
	Operation in progress - indicates the media is in the process of being replicated
Physical State	The location and availability of media through the tape library. Options include:
	Available - media is in an accessible partition
	Offline - media is in an unaccessible partition
	Vaulted - media has been removed from a partition

Column	Description
VG State	Empty - indicates the volume group is empty
	Ready - indicates the volume group is available and ready to be accessed
	Unavailable - indicates the volume group is not ready to be accessed
	Pending Export - indicates that the volume group is in the process of being exported and is unavailable
	Pending Replication - indicates that the volume group is in the process of being copied and is unavailable
	Pending Repair - indicates that the volume group is in the process of being repaired and is unavailable
	Pending Merge - indicates that the volume group is in the process of being merged with another volume group and is unavailable
	Vaulted - indicates that the volume group has been removed from the system
Reason	Indicates what caused a state transition.
Partition	The serial number for the partition or partition name.
Comment	Allows users to add any additional information about what is on the tape cartridge.
Files	The number of files contained on the physical tape cartridge.
Used	Amount of physical space used on the tape cartridge.
Free	Amount of physical space available on the tape cartridge.
Open Diagnosti	c Tickets Area
Ticket	Unique ticket number generated by Scalar LTFS.
Severity	Green: Operating system has no warnings or diagnostic tickets
	Blue : Severity 3. Action: Issue should be noted. Resolve tickets according to resolution
	Yellow: Severity 2. Action: Resolve tickets according to resolution. System Impact
	is likely
	Red : Severity 1. Immediate attention is required. Action: Resolve ticket according to Diagnostic Resolution
Component	The component that failed.
Opened	Indicates the date and time the ticket was opened.

Column	Description
Summary	Ticket ID and description.
Job Queue Ar	ea
Job ID	A unique identifier generated by SLTFS.
	A visual representation of the current state of a job.
Source	Dependent on the Job Event and can be a barcode or volume group.
Event	What is being done to the specific media. Values include: attach, assign, sequester import, export, format, prepare for export, replicate, repair, merge, publish, subscribe, verify and safe repair.
State	The job states include:
	New - indicates the job has not been launched
	Complete - indicates the job has completed
	Completed with an exception - indicates the job has completed with an exception
	Failed - indicates the job has completed with a failure condition - see job GUI page for additional details
	Job failed to start - indicates the job could not start due to a failure condition - see job GUI page for additional details
	Mounting media - indicates the job is in the process of mounting a media
	Unmounting media - indicates the job is in the process of unmounting a media
	Importing - indicates the job is in the process of importing a media
	Exporting - indicates the job is in the process of exporting a media
	Formatting - indicates the j0b is in the process of formatting a media
	Copying - indicates the job is in the process of copying files
	Moving - indicates the job is in the process of moving files
	Mapping - indicates the job is in the process of mapping a media
	Checking - indicates the job is in the process of checking a media of data coherency
	Publishing - indicates the job is in the process of publishing files as part of replication
	Subscribing - indicates the job is in the process of subscribing to replication files
	Paused; file system busy - indicates the job could not start due to a busy file system

Column	Description
State (cont)	Paused; IE slot unavailable - indicates the job could not find an I/E slot to use and will retry shortly - while paused, a job cancellation is accepted
	Paused; drive unavailable - indicates the job could not find a drive to use and will retry shortly - while paused, a job cancellation is accepted
	Paused; scratch pool empty - indicates the scratch pool is currently empty and will retry shortly - while paused, a job cancellation is accepted
	Verifying - indicates the job is in the process of verifying a replica volume as part of replication
	Canceled - indicates the job has been canceled by the user or by an unexpected restart
Destination	Used for job events where media is being moved to a different volume group: assign, merge, replication and safe repair.
Started	The date and time the job was initiated.

Table 3 Window Navigation Components

Window Component	Description
Header bar	The header bar at the top of the window shows the title of the GUI (Quantum Scalar LTFS), the appliance's serial number, the date, time and time zone, the status of the system, the user that is logged in, and the Home, Help and Logout buttons. The Date / Time display is the date and time from the server, updated every minute to indicate the GUI is still communicating with the server.

Window Component	Description
Status 🔘	The Status icon uses color to communicate the health of the system:
	Green = Operating system has no warnings or diagnostic tickets
	Blue = Low Priority. Action: Issue should be noted. Resolve tickets according to resolution
	Yellow = Medium Priority. Action: Resolve tickets according to resolution. System Impact is likely
	Red = High Priority. Immediate attention is required. Action: Resolve ticket according to Diagnostic Resolution
	Clicking the Status icon displays the Diagnostic Tickets screen.
Home 🕋	Returns you to the home screen.
Messages 📊	Opens the System Message screen. The number in the lower right indicates how many unread messages are waiting to be addressed.
Help 💿	Opens the help system.
Log Off Log Off	Ends the session and returns the browser Login window.
Who's Logged In Role: admin	Indicates the current user's user name and role. An (R) preceding 'User' indicates the current user has remote logged in via LDAP.

<u>Figure 16</u> on page 35 depicts the Main Navigation Panel that is used to navigate through the Graphical User Interface (GUI). It is anchored on the left side of the page and functions as an accordion style menu with the top options consisting of, Configuration, Operations, Tools, Reports, Service, and Help. The currently selected menu item is expanded to display sub-options.

Figure 16 Main Navigation Panel



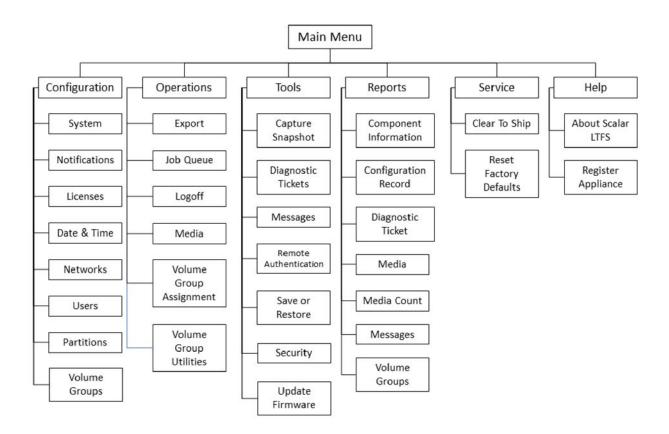
Main Navigation Panel	Description
Configuration	This area contains all the user settings for the system, including system configuration, notifications, licenses, date and time, network configuration, users, partitions, and volume groups.
Operations	Expanded by default, this area contains options for operations on the system, including exporting, job queue, volume groups, utilities and media options such as attaching, formatting and sequestering.
Tools	This area contains links for e-mailing and downloading the configuration record, saving and restoring system configuration, capturing a snapshot, updating firmware, updating security, enabling remote authentication and working with diagnostic tickets and messages.
Reports	This option provides the Component Information, Configuration Record, Diagnostic Ticket, Media, Media Count, Messages and Volume Group Reports.

Main Navigation Panel	Description
Service	This area is visible on the navigation menu <i>only</i> if the user is logged on with the service user ID.
Help	This area contains a link to the Help About Scalar LTFS window, including version numbers as well as the appliance's serial number and how to register the appliance.
Refresh	Located at the bottom of the Navigation Panel, clicking this button updates the current screen you are viewing.

Menu Tree

The following pictorial depicts the options available for each menu selection.

Figure 17 Main Menu Selections



Navigational Tools

The Scalar LTFS Appliance provides a rich interface for working with information. Keep the following concepts in mind while working in Scalar LTFS Appliance:

Tooltips

Tables

Quantum Device Names

Tooltips

Tooltips (small pop-up windows) appear next to many fields throughout the Scalar LTFS Appliance GUI to provide helpful information. Hovering over these displays details about the field. Clicking tooltips opens a window that stays open while you work and gives you access to other tooltips.

Tables

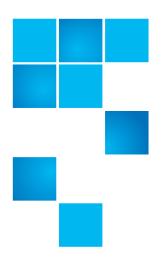
You can sort tabular data based on any of the available column headings. For example, on the **Home Page**, click the **State** column heading to sort all storage devices according to it's state. Or click the **Type** column heading to sort all drives according to their type.

Ouantum Device Names

Scalar LTFS Appliance refers to Quantum libraries by their product ID or family name, including Scalar i40, Scalar i80, Scalar i500, and Scalar i6000 libraries

Logging Off

When you are done working with the Scalar LTFS Appliance, click **Log Off** on the upper right of the window to end your session. Users can also select the **Operations** > **Logoff** menu to display the **Logoff** page.



Chapter 4 Configuring the Appliance

This chapter provides instructions for configuring the appliance using the GUI.

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The first time you log into the Scalar LTFS Appliance, a setup wizard prompts you to configure the appliance and assists you with the initial configuration. Refer to the *Quantum Scalar LTFS Site Planning and Installation Guide* for information about initial system setup.

Note: If you chose to cancel out of the Setup Wizard, you can configure the appliance at any time using the GUI. However, you will not be able to access the Setup Wizard again.

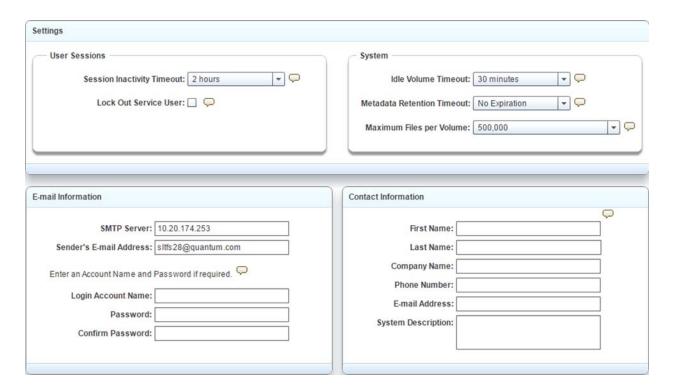
To view the GUI menu tree options, see <u>Main Menu Selections</u> on page 37.

System Configuration

Configure your system settings to set session time-outs, set permissions for the Quantum service user, set up e-mail accounts for system mail, and enter contact information.

1 From the navigation panel, click Configuration > System. The System Configuration screen displays.

Figure 18 System Configuration Window



Configure User Sessions

You can set your desired session inactivity time-out from 5 minutes to 8 hours. The default session timeout is 2 hours. Once set, the currently logged in session automatically logs out after that period of inactivity.

In addition, use this window to allow or prohibit the Quantum service user to access the GUI in case of issues. The default setting is to allow Quantum service to access the GUI.

- 1 In the **Session Inactivity Time-out** field, select a value from the drop-down menu.
- 2 Set the Quantum service user access.
 - To allow the Quantum service user to access the GUI in case of issues, leave the check box blank in the Lock Out Service User field.
 - To prohibit access, click the Lock Out Service User check box.
 The box displays the check mark and the label states Enabled.
 The Ouantum service user is locked out.
- 3 Use the **Tab** key to move to the <u>Configure System Settings</u> section of the window.

Configure System Settings

There is an **Idle Volume Timeout** setting that will automatically dismount media that has been inactive for a specified time. The default timeout is 30 minutes and the settings can range from 30 minutes to 8 hours.

Note: The Idle Volume Timeout setting indicates when SLTFS will timeout during I/O operations. It does not apply to maintenance operations, such as formatting tapes.

Use the **Metadata Retention Timeout** drop-down box to select the length of time metadata will be retained by the system for exported volumes. The settings range from off to no expiration. The default setting is no expiration.

Finally, the **Maximum Files per Volume** drop-down box allows you to set the maximum number of files for a specific volume group. 1 million files is the default but the setting can range from 100,000 to 15 million files.

When finished, use the **Tab** key to move to the <u>Configuring E-Mail</u> section of the window.

Configuring E-Mail

Once an e-mail account is configured, recipients may receive e-mail generated by the appliance, including snapshots, diagnostic ticket notifications and reports.

To receive these notifications from the Scalar LTFS Appliance, indicate the desired server and the sender's email address using the **System Configuration** screen. The system uses this server to send e-mail.

1 Type the following information:

SMTP Server	Type the name of the SMTP server where e- mail messages should be sent.
Senders E-mail Address	Type the e-mail address of the sender of system notifications, for example, myaltfs@companyname.com.
Login Account Name (optional)	Type the name.
Password (optional)	Type the password.
Confirm Password	Confirm the password.

Note: The login account name and password are optional. If configured, e-mails generated by the appliance will be sent with authorization. Authorization may be required by the SMTP server to send notifications outside of the company's domain.

2 Use the **Tab** key to move to the <u>Contact Information</u> section of the screen.

Contact Information

The contact information must be completed to register the appliance.

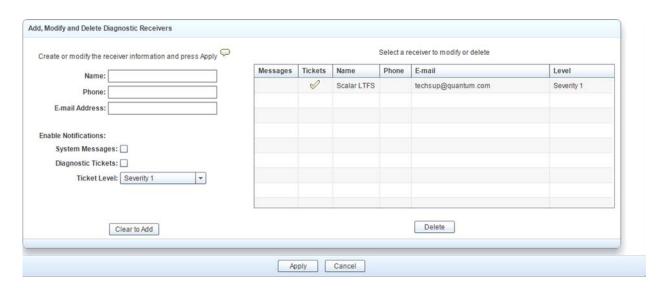
- 1 Type the contact information for the appliance, including First Name, Last Name, Company Name, Phone Number (optional), E-Mail Address, and System Description.
- 2 Click Apply.

Adding Notifications

Using the **Notifications** window, you can set up e-mail addresses for recipients who should receive system notifications for diagnostic tickets generated by the system, and specify the type of tickets received based on severity level.

1 Click **Configuration > Notifications**. The **Notifications** screen displays.

Figure 19 Notifications Window



Adding a Receiver

1 Complete the Name, Phone and E-mail Address fields.

Note: In the Name field, type the text that will appear in the email subject line, for example Scalar LTFS.

2 For the receiver you are about to add, in the **Enable Notifications** area, select the check boxes for the type of notifications you want to enable.

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A check mark displays in the **Messages** and/or **Tickets** column in the table. Once enabled, this e-mail address will receive appropriate system and diagnostic ticket notifications as they are generated.

Note: Only email addresses created manually can receive system message notifications.

3 From the Ticket Level drop down menu, choose the urgency of the notification:

If you choose:	You receive:
Severity 1	High priority tickets
Severity 2	High and medium priority tickets
Severity 3	All priority tickets—high, medium, and low.

The **Level** column will display the type of tickets sent to the receiver.

- 4 Click **Apply**. The receiver's information appears in the table on the right.
- **5** To add another receiver, return to step 1.

Modifying a Receiver

- 1 On the table listing the current receivers (on the right), highlight the row to be changed.
- 2 Use the fields on the left to change receiver information as desired.
- 3 Click **Apply**. The receiver's updated information appears in the table on the right.

Deleting a Receiver

- 1 On the table listing the current receivers, highlight the row to be deleted.
- 2 Click Delete. The message Are you sure you wish to delete the receiver from the system? is displayed.
- 3 Click Yes. The receiver record is deleted.

Entering Licenses

License Keys are purchased along with the system and additional license keys may be purchased at any time. You can purchase licenses for 1, 2, 4, or 8 tape drives. For additional information about license key implementation, refer to <u>License Key Implementation</u> on page 5.

- 1 Copy and paste this number for reference and save to a safe location on your computer.
- 2 From the navigation panel, click **Configuration > Licenses**. The **Licenses** screen displays.

Figure 20 Licenses Window



- 3 In the Enter New License Key field, type the license key.
- 4 Click Apply.

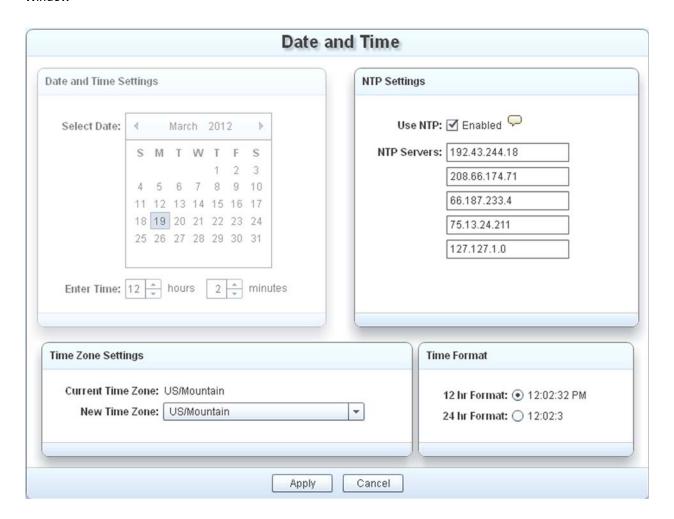
Configuring Date and Time

The Scalar LTFS Appliance supports user-defined and NTP date and time settings. Use this window to set or update the date and time settings and set the time zone settings.

1 From the navigation panel, click **Configuration > Date and Time**. The **Date and Time** screen displays.

Note: The default setting is NTP.

Figure 21 Date and Time Window



NTP Settings

1 If not already checked, click the **Use NTP** box to select.

The Use NTP box displays a check mark and the label changes to **Enabled**. Five NTP address fields are enabled and the date and time settings (on the left) are grayed out.

Note: To enter date and time manually, refer to <u>Manually Entering</u>
<u>Date and Time Settings</u> on page 48.

- 2 Type a least one valid NTP address. The system checks for a valid server from the top entry down until one is found.
- 3 In the **Time Zone Settings** section, review selection to ensure correct. As needed, select correct time zone from drop down menu.
- 4 In the Time Format section, select the time display format—12 hr Format or 24 hr Format.
- 5 Click Apply.

Manually Entering Date and Time Settings

- 1 From the **Select Date** calendar, select today's date.
- 2 In the Enter Time field, type the time in 24 hour notation, for example 3:00 p.m. is 15:00.
- 3 In the **Time Zone Settings** section, review selection to ensure correct. As needed, select correct time zone from drop down menu.
- 4 In the Time Format section, select the time display format—12 hr Format or 24 hr Format.
- 5 Click Apply.

Configuring the Network

Your network administrator should provide you with the IP address information. Prior to configuring your network, review the Ethernet Configuration Tips below.

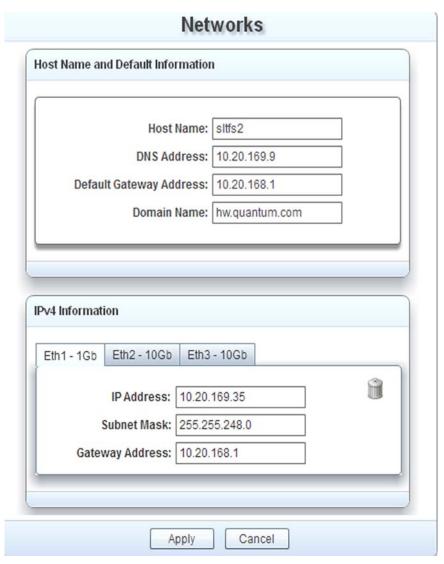
Caution:

Make sure you enter the correct IP address information and that you write this information down. If you enter the incorrect IP address information and reboot, you will not be able to access the system except via the service port.

Ethernet Configuration Tips

- You need only one ETH connection to configure the network.
- The IP address must be unique for each Ethernet port while the subnet should be unique. The subnet and gateway address entered for the first Ethernet port is copied over to subsequent Ethernet port fields. Change as appropriate.
- 1 From the navigation panel, click **Configuration > Networks**. The **Networks** screen displays.

Figure 22 Networks Window



- 2 In the Host Name and Default Information portion of window, type the following information:
 - a Type the **Host Name** used to identify the Scalar LTFS system.
 - **b** Type the **DNS Address** and the **Default Gateway Address** you want to use to join the Scalar LTFS to your network.

Caution: If you selected NTP that contains host names, you must specify a DNS Address. See <u>Configuring Date and Time</u> on page 46.

3 In the IPV4 Information portion of screen in the Eth1 - 1Gb through Eth3 - 10Gb fields, type your static IP address information for Eth1 through Eth3 as cabled.

Note: Depending on the SLTFS model, there will be either 3 or 5 Ethernet settings available for configuration.

Note: Ethernet ports will only display if a cable is attached to the corresponding port on the Scalar LTFS Appliance.

Caution: The Ethernet IP Address must be unique and the Subnet Mask should be unique for each ETH port to enhance performance.

Note: The **Trash** icon clears all network data for the active Eth tab. Each time network data is cleared, the Scalar LTFS Appliance network is restarted.

- 4 Click Apply. The message Are you sure you wish to change the systems network settings? displays.
- 5 Click Yes to confirm.

Configuring Users

Out of the box, the Scalar LTFS Appliance comes configured with the following user accounts:

- One **Service** user for use by Quantum service only. You can disable this user account if you desire.
- One default **Administrator** account. You cannot disable this user account, but you can change the password.

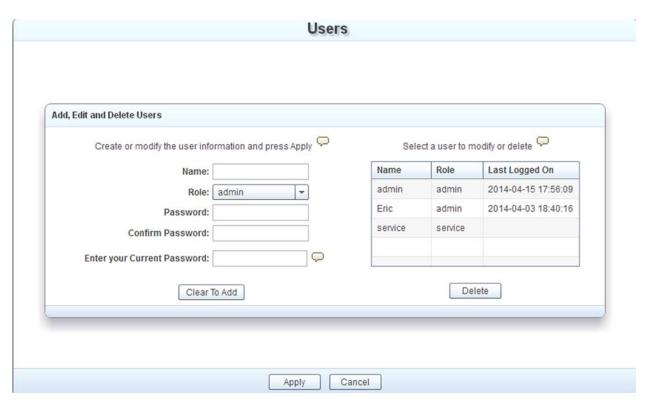
Based on the role — administrator or user — you have certain permission levels in the GUI appliance. Refer to <u>Appendix A, User Roles</u> for a detailed list of permissions.

Note: For administrators, the user configuration page allows them to add, modify and delete users. For users, the user configuration page allows them to only change their password.

To configure a user account:

1 From the navigation panel, click **Configuration > Users**. The **Users** screen displays.

Figure 23 Users Window



2 Based on desired task, go to:

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Adding a User

1 In the **User Information** fields, type the following:

Name	Type the user's name.
	Note: Only a single administrator with the admin name is allowed but multiple users can be created that have the administrator role.
Role	From the drop down menu, select the desired role of admin or user.
	Best Practice : Use personalized account user IDs if you want to track <i>who</i> made system changes.
Password	Type the password. Passwords must be at least 6 characters in length and cannot contain the following characters: • @ * \
	Note: The Name and Password cannot be same.
Confirm Password	Retype the password.

2 Click Apply. The added user is displayed in the Current Users table.

Modifying an Existing User

- 1 In the **Existing User** table on the right side of the screen, highlight the user row you want to modify.
- 2 Make the changes to the role, as defined above in the <u>Adding a User</u> section.
- 3 Click Apply.

Deleting a User

Note: You cannot delete the admin or service user.

- 1 In the **Existing User** table on the right side of the screen, highlight the user row you want to delete.
- 2 Click Delete, and then click Yes to confirm.

Changing a Password

A user may only change their own password. In the event a user has forgotten their password, an administrator must recreate the user's account by deleting the user and adding them back into the system.

Administrator password:

- 1 In the **Existing Users** table on the right side of the screen, select your user name.
- 2 Enter the new password in the **Password** field. Passwords must be at least 6 characters in length can cannot contain the following characters:

- **3** Reenter the new password in the **Confirm Password** field.
- 4 Enter in the current password in the **Enter your Current Password** field.
- **5** Click **Apply**. A dialog box displays confirming that you want to change the password.
- 6 Click Yes to confirm.

User password:



- 1 Enter the new password in the **Password** field.
- 2 Retype the new password in the Confirm Password field.
- 3 Type in your current password in the Enter your Current Password field.
- 4 Click **Apply**. A dialog box displays confirming that you want to change your password.
- **5** Click **Yes** to confirm.

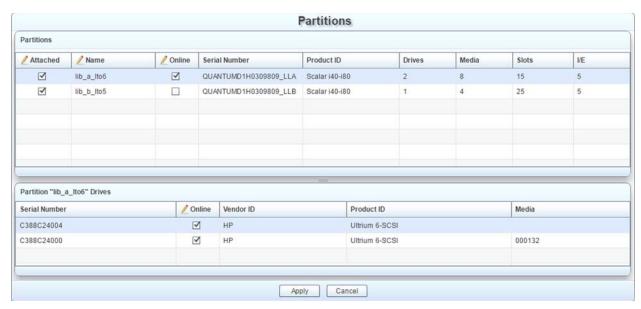
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Configuring Partitions

Before you work with partitions on the Scalar LTFS Appliance, ensure you have configured library partitions, generated a list of partition names and serial numbers from your Scalar library and using this list, identified the partitions that you want to attach to the appliance.

1 From the navigation panel, click **Configuration > Partitions**. The **Partitions** screen displays.

Figure 24 Partitions Window



The **Partitions** table, as shown in <u>Figure 24</u> displays all partitions that have been physically attached via Fibre Channel, I/O blade, or SAS and exposed to the host.

<u>Table 4</u> on page 56 and <u>Table 5</u> on page 57 describe the data on the on the **Partitions** window.

Note: Columns marked with the _______ icon are editable.

Table 4 Partitions Table Descriptions

Partitions Table Column	Description
Attached	Check box to attach the partition. Uncheck the box to detach the partition.
Name	Type the name of the partition. Note: Quantum recommends that you name the partition with the same name as identified in the library.

Partitions Table Column	Description
Online	Check box to bring partition online. If unchecked, partition is offline. If offline, you cannot access files on this media.
Serial Number	The tape library identifier from the from library medium changer. This logical serial number is a combination of the library serial number and a Logical Library letter (for example, LLA, LLB, LLC).
Product ID	The product name of your library.
Drives	The number of drives within the partition.
Media	The number of media within the partition.
Slots	The number of storage slots in the partition.
I/E	The number of I/E slots in the partition.

Table 5 Partitions Drives Table Descriptions

Partition Drives Table Column	Description
Serial Number	Drive serial number.
Online	Check the box to bring a drive online. Uncheck the box to take a drive offline. If the take offline, you cannot drag files to this media.
Vendor ID	ID of the drive vendor.
Product ID	Product name of the tape drive.
Media	If loaded, identifies the media.

2 Attach each partition by row by clicking the **Attached** check box. A check mark displays.

3 Rename the partition using the same name as the library partition. In the **Name** column, click the current name to highlight it and type the new partition name.



- 4 Place the partition in an **Online** or **Offline** status.
 - To place the partition online, click the check box. The partition is accessible by the appliance.

Note: The Scalar LTFS Appliance automatically sets the partition to **Online** when it is first attached.

• To keep the partition offline, ensure check box is unchecked. The partition is not accessible by the appliance.

If the drive has media loaded, you would see the barcode in the **Partition Drives** area at the bottom of screen.

Importing/Exporting Media from an LTFS Partition

Imported media have three different designations:

- Discovered this is new media, unformatted and added to the library. Discovered media will appear in a Sequestered state upon import into SLTFS
- Scratch this is formatted media with no data
- Volume Group Assigned this is media that has been previously assigned to a volume group
- 1 Import or export media as required, using the library GUI, front panel of the library or other hardware facilities available on the library.

Note: Media put into the library's I/E station will automatically be moved to an empty slot in the library. Any media not previously in SLTFS will be added to the discovered pool. Media previously in SLTFS will be returned to it's home slot if possible.

2 Put the partition online at the Scalar LTFS GUI. Scalar LTFS will reserve the media changer for that partition again (or will leave the partition offline if it cannot). Attached volumes in the now-online partition will reappear.

However, adding a Scalar LTFS library to an existing partition is more complex. If the drive or appliance does not gracefully support partitions, you may have to recycle the appliance to make the new library visible.

Configuring Volume Groups

A volume group is a collection of one or more media that is presented to end users and applications as a directory in the file system. Before using the Scalar LTFS Appliance, at least one volume group of media must be configured. Each volume group can be configured in one of two ways:

- One piece of media in the volume group; each piece of media is presented as a directory in the file system. Limiting volume groups to single volumes makes it easy to understand the files contained on each piece of media.
- Multiple pieces of media in the volume group; all media in the volume group are presented as one directory. The capacity of the directory is only limited by the number of media in the volume group. If the volume group is configured to use scratch media, the volume group will pull additional media as needed thereby increasing the capacity of the volume group. When a volume group is configured with multiple pieces of media, the appliance will span files across tapes as needed.

Note: Single media and multi-media volume groups can both be configured within the same appliance.

There are a number of considerations when deciding how to configure volume groups (using single or multiple pieces of media per volume group). Each configuration can both simplify and complicate certain aspects of using the appliance.

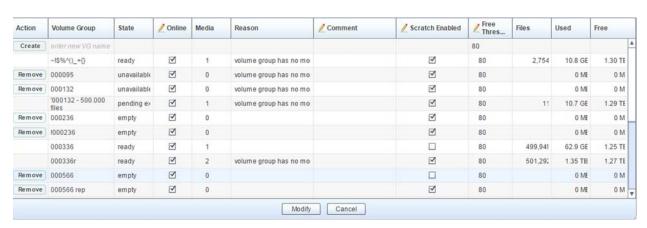
 Managing directory capacity: Volume groups with one piece of media require end users to manage the capacity of each directory as

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each directory/media has a limited capacity. Configuring volume groups with multiple media can simplify use of the system for end users or enable applications to use the system because directory capacities are not limited by the capacity of one piece of media.

- **File location:** With single media volume groups the location of files on tapes is known and it may make it easier on the system administrator to manage media.
- Media operations: Most media operations are conducted on the entire volume group. For example, exporting a volume group means all media in the volume group must be exported. These operational considerations should be taken into account when defining volume groups with multiple pieces of media.
- 1 From the navigation panel, click **Configuration > Volume Group**. The **Volume Group** screen displays.

Figure 25 Volume Group Window



<u>Table 6</u> on page 61 describes the data on the **Volume Group** window.

Table 6 Volume Group Configuration

Volume Group Table Column	Description
Action	Displays a button to either create or remove a volume group. The Create button only appears in the first row and the Remove button only appears in volume groups that have no media assigned.
Volume Group	Displays the name of the volume group.
State	The current state of the media:
	Auto-attachable - indicates the media is available for auto-attaching to a volume group
	Attached - indicates the media is attached to a VG
	Sequestered - indicates the media is unavailable
	Vaulted - indicates the media is unavailable and is not physically in the library
	Pending attach - indicates the media is in the process of being attached
	Pending format - indicates the media is in the process of being formatted
	Preparing for export - indicates the media is being prepared for export
	Ready for export - indicates the media is ready for export
	Pending export - indicates the media is in the process of being exported
	Repair in progress - indicates the media is in the process of being repaired
	Merging volume groups - indicates the media is in the process of being merged
	Verifying - indicates the media is in the process of being verified
	Busy reclaiming - indicates the media is in the process of being reclaimed
	Busy repairing - indicates the media is in the process of being repaired
	Operation in progress - indicates the media is in the process of being replicated
Online	An editable field that indicates whether the volume group is online.
Media	Indicates the number of media assigned to the volume group.
Reason	Describes the state the volume group is in.
Comment	An editable field allowing administrators to add comments about the volume group.

Volume Group Table Column	Description
Scratch Enabled	An editable field allowing administrators to set the volume group to automatically get blank media when necessary.
Free Threshold	An editable field allowing administrators to set a threshold percentage for volume groups. An alert is generated when a volume group exceeds this threshold. Scratch media needs to be available when this threshold is exceeded.
Files	Indicates the number of files in a volume group.
Used	Indicates the amount of physical space used in the volume group.
Free	Indicates the amount of physical space available in the volume group.

Create a Volume Group

Volume groups can be created manually or when your Scalar LTFS firmware is upgraded or initially installed (see *Scalar LTFS Installation and Planning Guide*). Any volume groups created during installation or upgrade will use the media barcode as the name. Changes to a volume group name can only be done through a file system interface, such as Explorer or muCommander - Quantum Edition.

- 2 At the top row of the table, click in the box in the Volume Group column next to the Create button in the Action column.
- **3** Type the name of the new volume group.
- 4 Click **Create**. The button changes to an **Add** button.
- 5 Click **Add**. A dialog displays indicating that your new volume group has been created.

Once a volume group has been created, you must assign media or merge it with another volume group(s) to use it. See <u>Assign Media to a Volume Group</u> on page 79.

Modify a Volume Group

You can change some settings for a volume group. You can take a volume group offline, make it scratch tape enabled, add a comment or change its free threshold. See <u>Table 6</u> on page 61 for definitions.

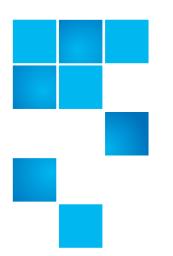
- 1 From the navigation panel, click **Configuration > Volume Group**. The **Volume Group** screen displays.
- 2 Select the volume group you want to modify by clicking anywhere in its row.
- 3 Modify the necessary fields.
- 4 Click **Modify**. A dialog box displays indicating the modification was successful.

Remove a Volume Group

Note: Volume groups can only be removed if there are no media assigned.

- 1 From the navigation panel, click **Configuration > Volume Group**. The **Volume Group** screen displays.
- 2 Select the volume group you want to remove by clicking anywhere in its row.
- **3** Click the **Remove** button. A dialog displays to confirm you want to remove the volume group.
- 4 Click **Yes**. The volume group is removed from the list.

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Chapter 5 **System Media Operations**

This chapter describes how to manage media using the Scalar LTFS Appliance.

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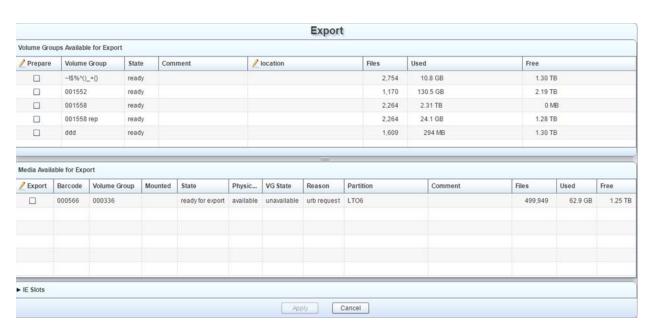
Note: To ensure the most up-to-date system information, the **Refresh** button on the **Main Screen** should be used periodically.

Export Volume Groups

Note: Once an export is in progress, there is no way to cancel the job. It must finish and then the exported volumes must be physically removed from the I/E station and the door closed. Then the media can be put back into the I/E station. SLTFS will automatically import the media back into the partition.

1 From the navigation panel, click **Operations** > **Export**. The **Export** screen displays.

Figure 26 Export Window



2 From the Volume Groups Available for Export area, select the volume group(s) you want to export media from.

Note: Optional information can be entered in the **Location** column. Place the cursor in the Location field and type. When finished, click **Apply**.

3 Click Apply. In the Media Available for Export area, you will see a list of media from the volume group(s) you selected.

Note: If tapes from the Volume Group are mounted, the export may take some time to complete. Check the **Job Queue** for status on the export.

- 4 Select the media you want to export to the I/E station.
- 5 Click **Apply**. The selected media is set to **Pending Export** in the Job Queue. See <u>Use the Job Queue</u> on page 67 for more information.

Note: Once a single piece of media is in **Pending Export**, the remaining media in that volume group must be exported as well before the volume group can be available again.

6 To complete the volume group export, you must physically remove the tapes from the library's I/E station. If the tapes are not removed, the media will stay in the **Pending Export** state until they are. This means that the volume group will not appear in your file system browser and be unavailable until the media are removed.

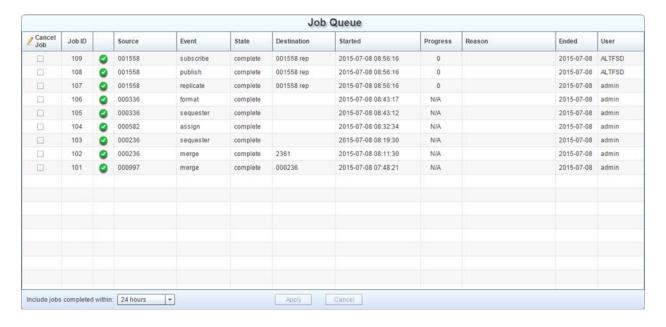
Use the Job Queue

Job Queue Table Column	Description
Cancel Job	Indicates which job(s) to be canceled. The check box is enabled when a job is able to be canceled.
Job ID	A unique identifier created when a function is initiated by the system.
	A visual representation of the state of a job.
Source	Indicates the volume group or media the job is being performed on.
Event	Indicates what the job is performing.

Job Queue Table Column	Description
State	The state of the job.
Destination	Indicates where the job/media is going. This is an optional field based on job type. If given, this is the destination volume group.
Started	Indicates when the job was begun.
Progress	Where in the process the job is.
Reason	Indicates why the job failed.
Ended	Indicates when the job was completed.
User	Indicates who initiated the job.

1 From the navigation panel, click **Operations** > **Job Queue**. The **Job Queue** screen displays a complete list of all jobs initiated in the last 24 hours.

Figure 27 Job Queue Window



- 2 If you want to see a different range of jobs displayed, select a different value from the Include jobs completed within: drop-down box. The possible options include:
 - 24 hours
 - 2 days
 - 3 days
 - 1 week
 - 2 weeks
 - 1 month
 - 2 months
 - 3 months (all)

Note: All jobs are automatically deleted from the system after 90 days.

Cancel a Job

- 1 From the navigation panel, click **Operations** > **Job Queue**. The **Job Queue** screen displays a complete list of all jobs initiated in the last 24 hours.
- 2 Select the check box in the Cancel Job column for the job you want to cancel. Job can only be canceled when they are in the following states:
 - paused; IE slot unavailable
 - paused; drive unavailable
 - paused; scratch pool empty
- 3 Click Apply.

Shut Down /Log Off System

Use the **Log Off** screen to shut down system, restart the system, or log off and leave the system running.

1 From the navigation panel, click Operations > LogOff / Shutdown.
The LogOff screen displays.



2 Based on desired task, go to:

<u>Logging Off System</u> on page 70 <u>Shutting Down System</u> on page 70 <u>Restarting System</u> on page 71

Logging Off System

To log off the current user:

1 In the Log Off section, click Log Off. The current user is logged out and the Login window displays.

Shutting Down System

To shutdown the system:

1 In the Shutdown/Restart section, click Shutdown System. The system is shut down on the Linux system and ready to be powered off.

Restarting System

To restart the system:

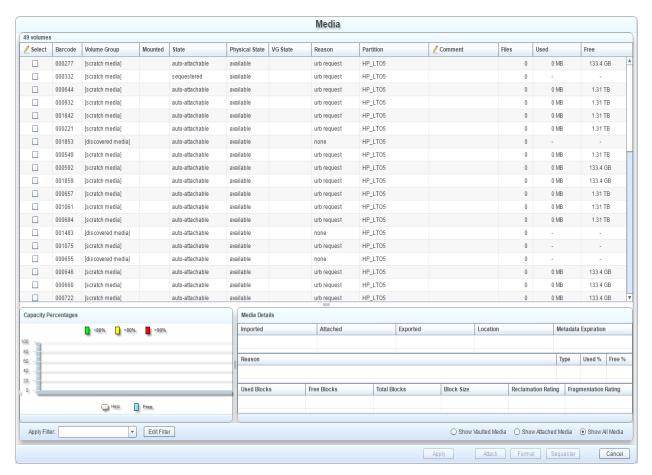
1 In the **Shutdown/Restart** section, click **Restart System**. The system is restarted automatically.

Managing Media

Before you can work with media, you must first add a partition. Refer to <u>Configuring Partitions</u> on page 55.

- 1 Ensure the partition has been configured.
- 2 From the navigation panel, click **Operations > Media**. The **Media** screen displays.

Figure 28 Media Window



This window displays the status and information known about each piece of media or cartridge in the system. The table below describes each column in the **Media** table.

Note: The amount of free space on an individual volume can only be determined through the Scalar LTFS GUI. You can not see any volume details through the file system.

Table 7 Operations Media Description

Column	Description
Select	Select any/all media you want to attach, format, or sequester by clicking check box and clicking appropriate button.
Barcode	The barcode associated with the physical media. The last two digits of the barcode that indicate the tape generation number, for example L5, are not displayed.
Volume Group	A collection of one or more media into a single volume.
Mounted	A check mark is displayed in this column if the media is mounted in a drive.
State	The current state of the media:
	Auto-attachable - indicates the media is available for auto-attaching to a volume group
	Attached - indicates the media is attached to a VG
	Sequestered - indicates the media is unavailable
	Vaulted - indicates the media is unavailable and is not physically in the library
	Pending attach - indicates the media is in the process of being attached
	Pending format - indicates the media is in the process of being formatted
	Preparing for export - indicates the media is being prepared for export
	Ready for export - indicates the media is ready for export
	Pending export - indicates the media is in the process of being exported
	Repair in progress - indicates the media is in the process of being repaired
	Merging volume groups - indicates the media is in the process of being merged
	Verifying - indicates the media is in the process of being verified
	Busy reclaiming - indicates the media is in the process of being reclaimed
	Busy repairing - indicates the media is in the process of being repaired
	Operation in progress - indicates the media is in the process of being replicated

Column	Description
Physical State	The location and availability of media through the tape library. Options include:
	Available - media is in an accessible partition
	Offline - media is in an unaccessible partition
	Vaulted - media has been removed from a partition
VG State	Empty - indicates the volume group is empty
	Ready - indicates the volume group is available and ready to be accessed
	Unavailable - indicates the volume group is not ready to be accessed
	Pending Export - indicates that the volume group is in the process of being exported and is unavailable
	Pending Replication - indicates that the volume group is in the process of being copied and is unavailable
	Pending Repair - indicates that the volume group is in the process of being repaired and is unavailable
	Pending Merge - indicates that the volume group is in the process of being merged with another volume group and is unavailable
	Vaulted - indicates that the volume group has been removed from the system
Reason	The Scalar LTFS Appliance handles this field. It is the reason for the last state transition, such as user requested or auto-attach policy .
Partition	The partition to which the media belongs. If unknown, the serial number displays.
Comment	An editable column that allows users to save information about the media.
Files	The number of readable files contained on the physical tape cartridge.
Used	Amount of space used on the tape cartridge.
Free	Amount of space available on the tape cartridge.
Media Details	·
When media is highl	ighted in the Media table, the details for that media display in the following fields.
Imported	Date and time the media was imported into system.

Date and time the media was attached.

Attached

Column	Description
Exported	Date and time the media was exported from the system.
Location	Indicates the location of the volume group.
Metadata Expiration	Date and time a vaulted media will be deleted from the system.
Reason	The Scalar LTFS Appliance handles this field. It is the reason for the last state transition, such as user requested or auto-attach policy .
Туре	Media type, LTO-5, LTO-6 or LTO-7.
Used %	Percentage of space used on the tape cartridge.
Free %	Percentage of space available on the tape cartridge.
Used Blocks	The amount of space used on the tape cartridge in raw data format.
Free Blocks	The amount of space available on the tape cartridge in raw data format.
Total Blocks	Sum total of Used, Free and System blocks. Note: This number can change based on compression and tape errors.
Block Size	The actual size of the block used on the tape cartridge.
Reclamation Rating	Indicates, on a scale from 1 to 10, number of overhead blocks on the media. The higher the rating is, the more overhead blocks are on the media.
Fragmentation Rating	Indicates, on a scale from 1 to 10, how fragmented files are on a media. The higher the rating is, the more fragmented the data.
General Options	
Capacity Percentages	Graph showing the used and free space on the media.
Apply Filter	Drop down list of filters that may be applied to the list of volumes.
Edit Filter	Allows for the creation or modification of media filters.
Media Display	Options include: • Show Vaulted Media • Show Attached Media • Show All Media

Use the Media screen to do the following:

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Attach Media to Scalar LTFS Manually

Media may be attached manually when they are in either the sequester or auto-attachable state. When attached, they will be attached to the volume group with which they were previously associated. Media in the discovered media pool, that have not previously been associated with a volume group, will be attached to a new volume group. The new volume group will use the barcode as its name.

- 1 In the Select column, check the box next to the media to be attached.
- 2 Click Attach. The State field displays the change.
 - The message Are you sure you wish to change the media settings? displays.
- 3 Click **Yes**. The data on this tape is now available for downloading and manipulation.

Auto-attach Media to Scalar LTFS

Auto-attaching media is a means to extend the space availability (e.g. capacity) of an existing volume group without user intervention. Media will be auto-attached by SLTFS when scratch-enabled is set on a volume group (see <u>Assign Media to a Volume Group</u> on page 79). As data is written and media reaches capacity, SLTFS will attach additional media, as needed, from the scratch pool as long as media are available. Users are responsible for maintaining an adequate number of media in the scratch pool.

Adding Media to the Scratch Pool

Formatting media moves them to the scratch pool and allows them to be used for volume group operations. New media added to the system, in the discovered media pool, may be formatted. Media already attached may be sequestered and formatted.

Format Media Manually in Scalar LTFS

Media can only be formatted if they are in the Sequestered state or the Auto-Attachable state. Sequestered media that belong to a VG will lose it's allegiance to that volume group after formatting. After a format completes, the media will enter the Auto-attachable state and become a member of the Scratch Pool.

WARNING: Formatting media containing data erases all data!

- 1 In the Select column, check the box next to the media to be attached.
- 2 Click Format. A dialog box displays confirming you want to format the selected media.
- 3 Click Yes. The tape is formatted for use with the Scalar LTFS.
- 4 A dialog box displays indicating the media settings were changed.
- 5 Click OK.

Detach Media from Scalar LTFS

1 To detach media from Scalar LTFS, export the media from your library. See <u>Importing/Exporting Media from an LTFS Partition</u> on page 58.

The media is detached and vaulted automatically from Scalar LTFS.

Edit Files on Tape Cartridges

Before making changes to files contained on the tape cartridge, we recommend that you copy the files to your hard drive. When you are finished, you can copy the files back to tape.

- 1 Using Windows Explorer, go to the IP address location for ScalarLTFS. The tape cartridges that are part of the partition are listed by barcode.
- 2 Copy the files you want to change to your hard drive.

3 As desired, copy and paste files onto the tape.

Note: No feedback is provided in Windows Explorer on an initial read or write of a file until the tape containing the file has been loaded and positioned. This can take several minutes depending on the tape library and other activity in the system.

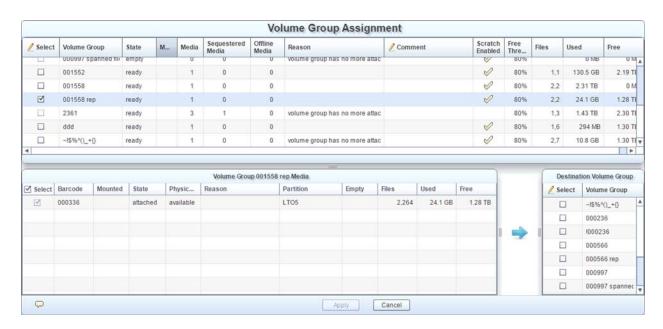
Writing Request and No Space Condition

When writing to a specific medium, users may encounter a 'no space' condition that indicates the medium is running out of space. However, unlike other file systems, this does not mean that there is no space left anywhere in the file system. It just indicates that there is no space left on the specific medium.

Assign Media to a Volume Group

1 From the navigation panel, click Operations > Volume Group Assignment. The Volume Group Assignment screen displays.

Figure 29 Volume Group Assignment screen



Column	Description
Select	Select a source volume group to list the media available to assign or merge. The check boxes will be enabled when the volume group and its media are in the appropriate states.
Volume Group	The volume group name that is going to have media assigned from or merged with another volume group.

Column	Description
State	The current state of the media:
	Auto-attachable - indicates the media is available for auto-attaching to a volume group
	Attached - indicates the media is attached to a VG
	Sequestered - indicates the media is unavailable
	Vaulted - indicates the media is unavailable and is not physically in the library
	Pending attach - indicates the media is in the process of being attached
	Pending format - indicates the media is in the process of being formatted
	Preparing for export - indicates the media is being prepared for export
	Ready for export - indicates the media is ready for export
	Pending export - indicates the media is in the process of being exported
	Repair in progress - indicates the media is in the process of being repaired
	Merging volume groups - indicates the media is in the process of being merged
	Verifying - indicates the media is in the process of being verified
	Busy reclaiming - indicates the media is in the process of being reclaimed
	Busy repairing - indicates the media is in the process of being repaired
	Operation in progress - indicates the media is in the process of being replicated
Mounted	A check mark is displayed in this column if the media is mounted in a drive.
Media	Indicates the number of media contained in the volume group.
Sequestered Media	Indicates the number of media sequestered in the volume group.
Offline Media	Indicates the number of media offline in the volume group.
Reason	The Scalar LTFS Appliance handles this field. It is the reason for the last state transition, such as user requested or auto-attach policy .
Comment	An editable column that allows users to save information about the media.
Scratch Enabled	Indicates if the volume group is configured to automatically acquire a blank tape when necessary.
Files	The number of readable files contained on the physical tape cartridge.
Used	Amount of space used on the tape cartridge.

Column	Description
State	The current state of the media:
	Auto-attachable - indicates the media is available for auto-attaching to a volume group
	Attached - indicates the media is attached to a VG
	Sequestered - indicates the media is unavailable
	Vaulted - indicates the media is unavailable and is not physically in the library
	Pending attach - indicates the media is in the process of being attached
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	Verifying - indicates the media is in the process of being verified
	Busy reclaiming - indicates the media is in the process of being reclaimed
	Busy repairing - indicates the media is in the process of being repaired
	Operation in progress - indicates the media is in the process of being replicated
Mounted	A check mark is displayed in this column if the media is mounted in a drive.
Media	Indicates the number of media contained in the volume group.
Sequestered Media	Indicates the number of media sequestered in the volume group.
Offline Media	Indicates the number of media offline in the volume group.
Reason	The Scalar LTFS Appliance handles this field. It is the reason for the last state transition, such as user requested or auto-attach policy .
Comment	An editable column that allows users to save information about the media.
Scratch Enabled	Indicates if the volume group is configured to automatically acquire a blank tape when necessary.
Files	The number of readable files contained on the physical tape cartridge.
Used	Amount of space used on the tape cartridge.

Column	Description
Free	Amount of space available on the tape cartridge.
Media Area	
Displays the medigroup.	ia currently assigned to a volume group or available for assignment to a volume
Select	Indicates which media are available for assignment or merge. If a non-scratch, non-discoverable volume group is selected in the Volume Group area, all media in that volume group are pre-selected in the Media area and available for assignment. All media with data must be selected to complete a merge. Optionally, you may deselect the empty media and any blank media will remain in the source volume group.
Barcode	Indicates the barcode of the media being assigned or merged.
Mounted	A check mark is displayed in this column if the media is mounted in a drive
State	The current state of the media:
	Auto-attachable - indicates the media is available for auto-attaching to a volume group
	Attached - indicates the media is attached to a VG
	Sequestered - indicates the media is unavailable
	Vaulted - indicates the media is unavailable and is not physically in the library
	Pending attach - indicates the media is in the process of being attached
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	Verifying - indicates the media is in the process of being verified
	Busy reclaiming - indicates the media is in the process of being reclaimed
	Busy repairing - indicates the media is in the process of being repaired
	Operation in progress - indicates the media is in the process of being replicated

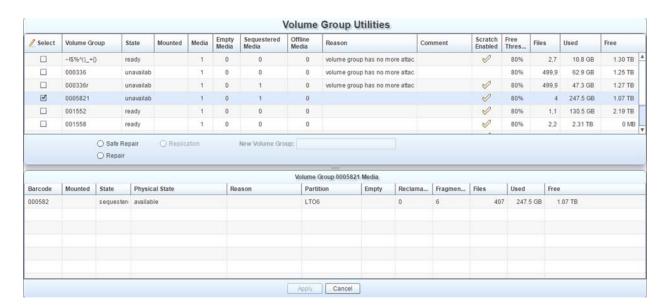
Column	Description
Physical State	The location and availability of media through the tape library. Options include:
	Available - media is in an accessible partition
	Offline - media is in an unaccessible partition
	Vaulted - media has been removed from a partition
Reason	The Scalar LTFS Appliance handles this field. It is the reason for the last state transition, such as user requested or auto-attach policy .
Partition	Indicates the partition the media is assigned to.
Empty	A check mark is displayed in this column if the media is empty.
	Note: After upgrading Scalar LTFS, the system will not know if media is empty until it has been mounted.
Files	Indicates the number of files on the media.
Used	Amount of space used on the tape cartridge.
Free	Amount of space available on the tape cartridge.
Destination Volume Group Area	
Select	Check the box for where you want the media assigned or the volume group you want to merge with.
Volume Group	Indicates the volume group the media or volume group will be assigned to.

- 2 In the Select column, click the check box for Scratch Media. In the Media area, a list of available media will be listed.
- **3** Click the check box next to each piece of media you want to add to the volume group.
- 4 In the **Destination Volume Group** area, click the check box for the volume group you want to assign the media to.
- 5 Click **Apply**. A confirmation dialog will appear confirming that the media is in process of being assigned to the volume group.
- 6 If you want to check the status of the media assignment, see <u>Use</u> the <u>Job Queue</u> on page 67.

Use Volume Group Utilities

1 From the navigation panel, click Operations > Volume Group Utilities. The Volume Group Utilities screen displays.

Figure 30 Volume Group Utilities Window



Column	Description
Select	Select the volume group you want to replicate or repair by clicking check box.
Volume Group	The volume group name that is going to be replicated or repaired.

Column	Description
State	The current state of the media:
	Auto-attachable - indicates the media is available for auto-attaching to a volume group
	Attached - indicates the media is attached to a VG
	Sequestered - indicates the media is unavailable
	Vaulted - indicates the media is unavailable and is not physically in the library
	Pending attach - indicates the media is in the process of being attached
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	Verifying - indicates the media is in the process of being verified
	Busy reclaiming - indicates the media is in the process of being reclaimed
	Busy repairing - indicates the media is in the process of being repaired
	Operation in progress - indicates the media is in the process of being replicated
Mounted	A check mark is displayed in this column if the media is mounted in a drive.
Media	Indicates the number of media contained in the volume group.
Empty Media	Indicates the number of blank media contained in the volume group.
Sequestered Media	Indicates the number of media sequestered in the volume group.
Offline Media	Indicates the number of media offline in the volume group.
Reason	The Scalar LTFS Appliance handles this field. It is the reason for the last state transition, such as user requested or auto-attach policy .
Comment	Displays any additional comments about the volume group.
Scratch Enabled	Indicates if the volume group is configured to automatically acquire a blank tape when necessary.

Column	Description
Free Threshold	Indicates the percentage of capacity that the system will notify the user that the volume group is filling up.
Files	The number of readable files contained on the physical tape cartridge.
Used	Amount of space used on the tape cartridge.
Free	Amount of space available on the tape cartridge.
Media Area	
Displays the media group.	currently assigned to a volume group or available for assignment to a volume

group.

Barcode	Indicates the barcode of the media being assigned or merged.
Mounted	A check mark is displayed in this column if the media is mounted in a drive.
State	The current state of the media:
	Auto-attachable - indicates the media is available for auto-attaching to a volume group
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	Busy repairing - indicates the media is in the process of being repaired
	Operation in progress - indicates the media is in the process of being replicated

Column	Description
Physical State	The location and availability of media through the tape library. Options include:
	Available - media is in an accessible partition
	Offline - media is in an unaccessible partition
	Vaulted - media has been removed from a partition
Reason	The Scalar LTFS Appliance handles this field. It is the reason for the last state transition, such as user requested or auto-attach policy .
Partition	Indicates the partition the media is assigned to.
Empty	Indicates the volume group is empty.
Reclamation Rating	The Reclamation Rating is an indicator, on a scale from 1 to 10. The higher the rating is, the more overhead blocks are on the media.
Fragmentation Rating	The Fragmentation Rating is an indicator, on a scale from 1 to 10, of how fragmented files are on a media. The higher the rating is, the more fragmented the data.
Files	Indicates the number of files on the media.
Used	Amount of space used on the tape cartridge.
Free	Amount of space available on the tape cartridge.
Utilities	
Safe-Repair	The selected volume group must contain at least one sequestered volume.
Repair	The selected volume group must have scratch enabled, be in the unavailable state and all constituent volumes must be online.
Replicate	The selected volume group must be in the ready state and all constituent volumes must be online.

Note: When a volume group is selected, the radio buttons for the available utilities are enabled. If a radio button is not enable, mouse-over the radio button to see why.

Note: Safe repair or replication cannot be performed on empty volume groups.

Replicate a Volume Group

Volume groups can be copied using the SLTFS interface. However, be aware that to copy a volume group, you will need two available drives and, depending on the size of the volume group, a considerable amount of time to complete the copy.

- 1 Select the volume group you want to copy by clicking the check box in the Select column.
- 2 Select the **Replication** radio button.
- 3 Type a name for the new volume group in **New Volume Group** field.
- 4 You can select the **Verify Option** check box if you want SLTFS to verify that the volume group has been copied.
- 5 Click **Apply**. The volume group has been initiated. This is a long running process and progress may be monitored from in the job queue. To view your new volume group, see <u>Configuring Volume Groups</u> on page 59.

Note: Replication cannot occur if the volume group contains empty media. The **Replication** radio button will be unavailable in this instance.

Repair a Volume Group

Note: To repair a volume group, it must have at least one media in **Sequestered** state.

- 1 Select the volume group you want to repair by clicking the check box in the Select column.
- 2 Select the Repair radio button.
- 3 Click **Apply**. The repair has been initiated. Once the media has been repaired, the volume group will try to attach the repaired media.

Safe Repair a Volume Group

Note: To repair a volume group, it must have at least one media in Sequestered state or it failed a job request (ex. merge, replication) or is needed to restore a volume group that is in Ready for Export state.

- 1 Select the volume group you want to safe repair by clicking the check box in the Select column.
- 2 Select the Safe Repair radio button.
- 3 Type a name for the new volume group in **New Volume Group** field.
- 4 Click Apply. The safe repair has been initiated. If successful, the media that was repaired will now reside in the new volume group. If you want to return the media to its original volume group, you will have to assign manually. A repair or attach can be attempted on the volumes in the new volume group in order to resolve issues with the sequestered volumes.

Registering the Appliance

To register the appliance:

1 From the navigation panel, click **Help > Register Appliance**. The **Register Appliance** screen displays.

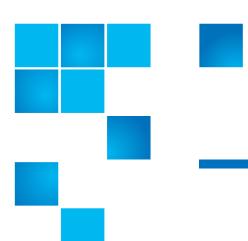


The information displayed in this window is the same as information you entered on the **System Configuration** screen.

- **2** Review the information displayed.
 - To change information displayed, click **No**.

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- Select the **Configuration > System** menu. Refer to <u>System</u> <u>Configuration</u> <u>Contact Information</u> on page 42.
- To accept the information displayed, click **Yes**. The appliance is registered.



Chapter 6 Maintaining the System

This chapter provides procedures for tasks available under the GUI Tools menu, including:

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Review and Resolve Diagnostic Tickets on page 93

System Messages on page 95

Configure Remote Authentication on page 98

Save and Restore an LTFS Configuration on page 101

Security on page 103

Update Firmware on page 105

Capture Snapshot Data

Snapshot files can be used as a troubleshooting tools. They depict the current system configuration, any log files, and existing diagnostic tickets.

1 From the navigation panel, click **Tools** > **Capture Snapshot**. The **Capture Snapshot** screen displays.

Figure 31 Capture Snapshot Window



Capture a Snapshot

- 1 Click Capture Snapshot.
- 2 Select a location to save the file, type the desired name, and click Save.

Download Component Log Collection

Note: This request may take several minutes to complete.

- 1 Click Download Component Log Collection.
- 2 Select a location to save the file, type the desired name, and click Save.

Download an Extended Snapshot

An Extended Snapshot contains information on any log generated by the Scalar LTFS Appliance. This log is available only for download since the log file size can exceed 2 Gb. Only retrieve an extended snapshot under the direction of your service support representative.

- 1 Click Download Extended Snapshot.
- **2** The file will download via your browser.
- 3 When complete, select where you want to save the file.

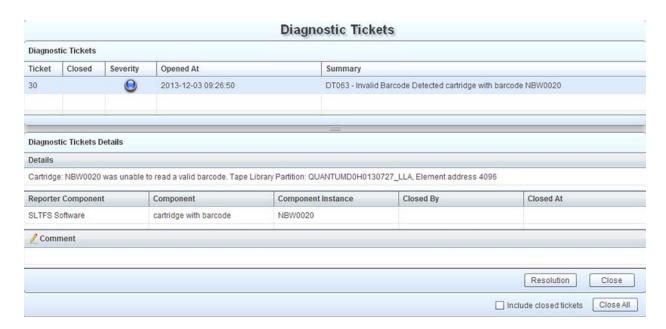
Review and Resolve Diagnostic Tickets

If the system encounters an issue, a diagnostic ticket is generated. The issue could be informational or require resolution. You have the option of resolving and closing tickets or closing without resolution.

For a complete list of active diagnostic tickets, see the *Scalar LTFS Maintenance Guide*.

1 From the navigation panel, click Tools > RAS Tickets. The Diagnostic Tickets screen displays the open diagnostic tickets.

Figure 32 Tools Diagnostic Tickets



The following information is displayed for each diagnostic ticket:

Description		
Unique ticket number generated by LTFS.		
If closed, a check mark appears in the column.		
Blue: Low Priority. Action: Issue should be noted. Resolve tickets according to resolution		
Yellow: Medium Priority. Action: Resolve tickets according to resolution. System Impact is likely		
 Red: High Priority. Immediate attention is required. Action: Resolve ticket according to Diagnostic Resolution 		
Date and time ticket was opened		
Ticket ID and description		
Details		
Additional information about the ticket		
The component that generated the ticket		
hardware or software		
Unique ID for instance		
User that closed the ticket		
Date and time ticket was closed		
User comment		

- 2 To include closed tickets in the display, click the box Include Closed Tickets in Display.
- 3 Identify the diagnostic ticket you want to resolve.
- 4 Resolve the diagnostic ticket:

- **a** Click the **Resolution** button to read resolution steps. An HTML document opens containing resolution steps.
- **b** If the situation cannot be resolved, you are instructed to contact technical support.
- **5** Once a resolution is determined, take one of the following actions:
 - To close the ticket now, click **Close**. The **Diagnostic Tickets** window displays, with the ticket no longer in the list.
 - To leave the ticket open for future troubleshooting, click Exit.
 The ticket remains on the list.
 - You can also close all tickets at once by clicking the Close All Tickets button.

Caution: Be careful when pressing the Close All button. This closes all diagnostic tickets even if they are not resolved. It is recommended that each diagnostic ticket be individually viewed, analyzed, and closed.

Note: Tickets that were automatically closed are designated as **Canceled**.

System Messages

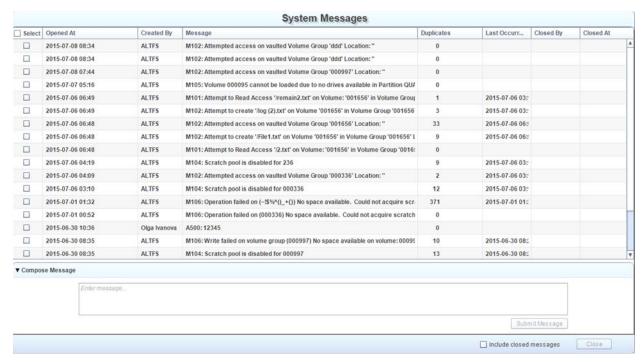
Heading	Description
Select	Select any/all media you want to close and click the Close button.
Opened At	Date and time message was opened
Created By	Indicates whether the message was system generated (ALTFS) or custom.

Heading	Description
Message	Displays the following system messages:
	A500 - Admin message
	M100 - Volume exceeded recommended number of files
	M101 - Vaulted file not available for read
	M102 - Vaulted file not available for write
	M103 - Volume group low capacity threshold reached
	M104 - Scratch pool low capacity threshold reached
	M105 - No drives available
	M106 - Write failed due to no space remaining
	M107 - Rename failed
	M108 - File/Directory collision
Duplicates	How many times this message has been generated for this open message ID with the same reference.
Last Occurrence	The date and time a duplicate message was previously generated.
Closed By	User that closed the message.
Closed At	Date and time message was closed.

Create a Custom	
System Message	

1 From the navigation panel, click **Tools > Messages**. The **System Messages** screen displays.

Figure 33 System Messages Window



- 2 In the Compose Message area, enter the message in the field provided.
- **3** Click **Submit Message**. Your message is added to the System Message list.

Close a System Message

Note: Closed messages are automatically deleted from the system after 90 days.

- 1 From the navigation panel, click **Tools > Messages**. The **System Messages** screen displays.
- 2 Click the check box in the Select column for the message(s) you wish to close.
- 3 Click **Close**. The messages are removed from the System Message list.

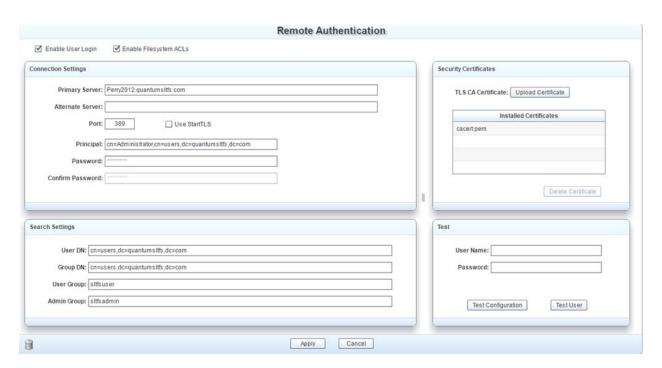
Configure Remote Authentication

Remote Authentication provides the ability to connect to an LDAP or Active Directory server in order to obtain credentials for logging in and/ or for enabling ACLs. In order to enable ACLs, the LDAP or Active Directory service must be provided by a server which is a domain controller (e.g., a Windows server running Active Directory).

Note: Prior to configuring SLTFS for remote authentication, the network settings should be complete. For more details, see <u>Configuring the Network</u> on page 48.

1 From the navigation panel, click Tools > Remote Authentication.
The Remote Authentication screen displays.

Figure 34 Remote
Authentication Window



- 2 In the Connection Settings area, enter the LDAP/Active Directory domain server in the Primary Server field.
- **3** Complete the **Alternate Server** and **Port** fields as needed. The default port is 389.
- 4 Enter the domain name of the principal user in the **Principal** field. The principal user is any user who is authorized to add a system to the LDAP or Active Directory domain. This user may be a network administrator and may not necessarily be an actual user of the SLTFS file system.
- 5 In the **Search Settings** area, complete the following fields:
 - **User DN**: When ACLs are enabled, this field specifies the container where domain users are located in the LDAP hierarchy.
 - Group DN: When ACLs are enabled, this field specifies the container where security groups are located in the LDAP hierarchy.
 - User Group: When ACLs are enabled, this field specifies the security group which domain users must be a member of in order to have user access rights to the Scalar LTFS file system. User access rights grant users the right to access volumes, folders, and files, contingent upon the contents of the ACLs associated with the file system object. Membership is indicated by a "memberOf" attribute for the user which contains the DN of the security group.
 - Admin Group: When ACLs are enabled, this field specifies the security group which domain users must be a member of in order to have administrator access rights to the Scalar LTFS file system. Administrators can always modify volumes, folders, and files, as well as their security settings, regardless of the content of the ACLs associated with the file system object. Membership is indicated by a "memberOf" attribute for the user which contains the DN of the security group.
- 6 Click **Apply**. The remote authentication settings are saved.

Test Configuration Settings

- 1 In the **Test** area, you can test the configuration as well as users.
 - To test the configuration:

- **a** Simply click the **Test Configuration** button. A confirmation dialog will appear confirming either a success or failure.
- To test user access:
 - a Enter a user name and password. You must use the LDAP canonical name (display name; not the login name). The password is the user's regular password.
 - **b** Click the **Test User** button. A confirmation dialog will appear confirming either a success or failure.

Enable/Disable Access Control List (ACL)

ACLs are lists of permissions attached to file system objects, which can be used to grant or restrict access to Scalar LTFS volumes, directories, or files. When ACLs are enabled, Scalar LTFS joins a domain and grants or restricts access to domain users according to their membership in domain security groups. Administration of ACLs associated with file system objects is done with standard tools (e.g., the **Security** tab on Windows Explorer).

To enable or disable ACLs:

- 1 From the navigation panel, click **Tools** > **Remote Authentication**. The **Remote Authentication** screen displays.
- 2 At the top of screen, select/deselect the **Enable File system ACLs** check box.
- 3 Click **Apply**. A confirmation dialog will appear confirming either a success or failure.

On apply, the samba configuration is changed. If **Enable File system ACLs** is checked, this may fail if an IP address is supplied rather than a hostname. However, the hostname cannot be obtained from reverse DNS lookup or if the network settings or principal credentials are not correct. In case of failure to enable ACLs, an error is reported, any other changes to the page will be saved, but ACLs will not be enabled.

Save and Restore an LTFS Configuration

You can save your current configuration and restore it as needed at a later date. The configuration you save includes a current image of the system.

Save the Current Configuration

1 From the navigation panel, click **Tools** > **Save or Restore**. The **Save or Restore** screen displays.

Figure 35 System Save or Restore Window



2 Click Save Configuration. The Processing....Please Wait message and the Select Location for Download window displays.

Note: The saved system configuration filename contains a .qtm suffix.

3 Save the current configuration to your desired network location.

Restore a Saved Configuration

Restore Guidelines

You can restore a saved configuration to your appliance as long as the current firmware and serial number on the appliance is the same version that was used to save the configuration. Refer to examples below for further clarification.

Note: The saved image will not be allowed to install if the Quantum serial number on the appliance does not match the Quantum serial number in save/restore image.

Examples

- If you saved a configuration at firmware version 1, and then
 upgraded the firmware version to 2, the Restore attempt will fail. In
 this case, we ask that customers contact a Quantum service
 representative to have their appliance firmware downgraded to the
 appropriate version. The customer can then proceed with restoring
 the saved configuration.
- If you saved a configuration at firmware version 1, and your firmware version is still version 1, the restore will proceed normally.

Restore Procedure

A saved configuration remembers exactly what was in SLTFS at the time it was saved. After the save, files are added to or removed from media and partitions may have changed. So after performing a restore, the Scalar LTFS Appliance needs to discover the changes to media files and/ or partitions.

- 1 From the navigation panel, click **Tools** > **Save or Restore**. The **Save or Restore** screen displays.
- 2 Navigate to the location of the saved configuration.
- **3** Click **Restore Configuration**. The configuration is restored to that saved version.
- 4 The Scalar LTFS Appliance then restarts. This should take approximately 30 minutes.

5 All media should be sequestered and then attached in each partition. This ensures that each piece of media is read and the SLTFS internal database can be made current with what files/partitions exist now.

Caution:

If the system restart takes longer than 30 minutes, the user should review the diagnostic ticket because there could be a problem with the Scalar LTFS Appliance.

Security

Manage IP Addresses

The **Tools** > **Security** menu option provides a way for you to manage the IP addresses you want to interface with the Scalar LTFS server. If you do not specify an IP address (which means the IP address list is empty,) all IP address have access to the /ScalarLTFS/ directories. If you populate the IP address list by specifying one or more IP address, only the IPs entered are allowed access to the /ScalarLTFS/ directories. (There is no limit to the number of IP addresses in the list.)

Use the **Tools** > **Security** menu option to add new IP addresses, delete IP addresses you no longer need, or export the list of addresses to the Scalar LTFS server.

Figure 36 Security window



Note: Since you cannot modify an IP address you have already entered, if there is a change to an existing IP address you must first delete the original IP address and then add the new IP address.

Add an IP Address

To add a new IP address:

- 1 Choose **Security** from the **Tools** menu.
- 2 At the IP field, enter the IP address you want to add.
- 3 Click Add. The IP address will be added to the list on the right side of the window.

Delete an IP Address

To delete an IP address:

1 If you have not already done so, choose Security from the Tools menu.

- 2 Select from the list on the right side of the window the IP address you want to delete.
- 3 Click **Delete**. The IP address will be removed from the list on the right side of the window.

Export the IP Address List

Whenever you add or delete IP addresses you should also export the revised list to the Scalar LTFS server. (You will receive a warning message if you make changes on this screen and then attempt to exit without exporting the revised IP address list.)

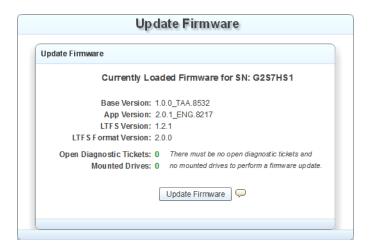
To export the IP address list:

- 1 If you have not already done so, choose **Security** from the **Tools** menu.
- 2 Click Export. The list of IP addresses is exported to the Scalar LTFS server. Only the IP addresses in the list have access to the Scalar LTFS directories.

Update Firmware

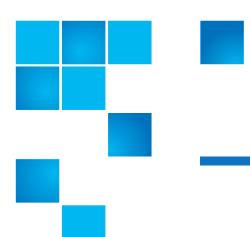
- 1 Download the latest firmware from the Quantum Support Web site, and save it to your desired location.
- 2 Extract the .FW file from the zip file and save it to a location.
- 3 From the navigation panel, click **Tools** > **Update Firmware**. The **Update Firmware** screen displays,

Figure 37 Tools Update Firmware Window



Caution: Before firmware can be updated, Open Diagnostic Tickets must be **0**. Loaded Drives must be **0**—this check ensures that no data is being moved between the library and the appliance.

4 Click **Browse** to locate the .FW file, and click **Update Firmware**. A progress window displays and the firmware is updated.



Chapter 7 Reports

Scalar LTFS allows you to email or download seven different reports. They include:

- <u>Component Information Report</u> on page 107
- <u>Configuration Record Report</u> on page 110
- <u>Diagnostic Ticket Report</u> on page 112
- Media Report on page 115
- Media Count Report on page 119
- Message Summary Report on page 120
- Volume Group Capacity Report on page 121

Component Information Report

A component is defined as hardware or software that is part of the Scalar LTFS system. The **Component Information** screen displays a summary of the appliance's hardware and software status. There are four tabs available:

- Cluster Raid
- Mother Board

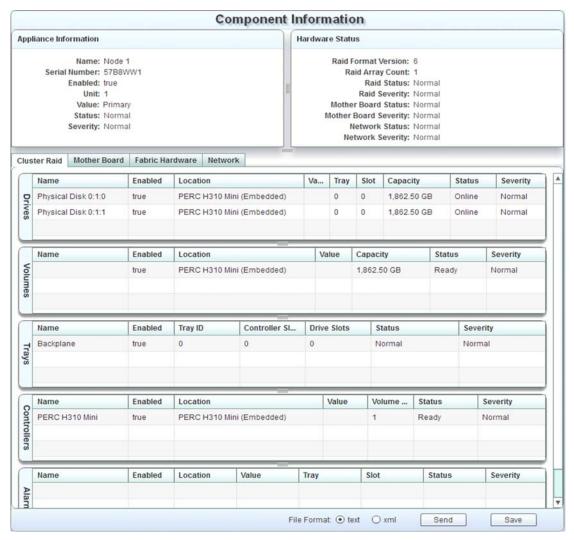
Chapter 7: Reports Component Information Report

- Fabric Hardware (only available on fibre channel appliances)
- Network

Use this information to view the status of Ethernet ports, and to read any diagnostic messages indicating that a component has failed.

1 From the navigation panel, click **Reports > Component Information**. The **Component Information** screen displays.

Figure 38 Component Information Report



- 2 To send the component information report via e-mail, first select either the **text** or **xml** radio button.
- 3 Click Send. A dialog box displays.
- 4 Type the e-mail address and click E-Mail Report.
- 5 To download the report, click Save. A Save As dialog box displays.

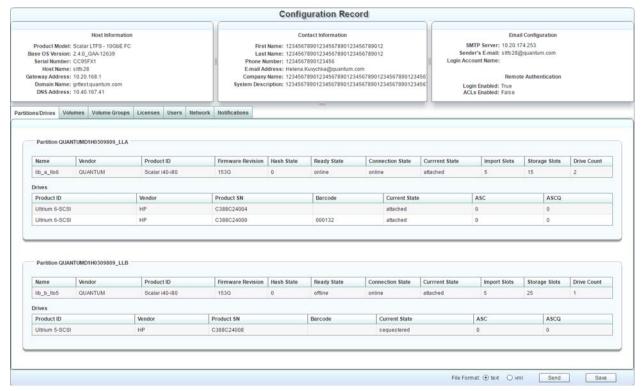
6 Navigate to where you want the report saved and click Save.

Configuration Record Report

The Configuration Record depicts the current configuration of your Scalar LTFS Appliance. You can review configuration information from the following seven (7) tabs:

- Partitions/Drives (default)
- Volumes
- Volume Groups
- Licenses
- Users
- Network
- Notifications
- 1 From the navigation panel, click **Reports > Configuration Record**. The **Configuration Record** screen displays.

Figure 39 Configuration Record Window



- 2 To send the configuration record report via e-mail, select a File Format:
 - Text sends a .txt file to the specified e-mail address
 - XML sends a .xml file to the specified e-mail address
- 3 Click **Send**. A dialog box displays.
- 4 Type the e-mail address and click **E-Mail** Report.
- 5 To download the report, select a File Format:
 - Text sends a .txt file to the specified e-mail address
 - XML sends a .xml file to the specified e-mail address
- 6 Click Save. A Save As dialog box displays.
- 7 Navigate to where you want the report saved and click **Save**.

Diagnostic Ticket Report

Whenever the Scalar LTFS Appliance is not performing as designed, diagnostic tickets are generated to help you identify what is not working correctly with the system. The **Diagnostic Ticket Report** screen displays all the tickets generated by the Scalar LTFS system. You can set up filters to show more specific types of tickets and you can email or download the report as well.

A customized report may be created by reordering the columns by selecting the column and dragging it to the desired position. Columns may be hidden by clicking the \mathbf{X} in the column header. The report is generated as the data is displayed on the screen.

From the navigation panel, click **Reports > Diagnostic Ticket**. The **Diagnostic Ticket Report** screen displays.

Figure 40 Diagnostic Ticket Report screen

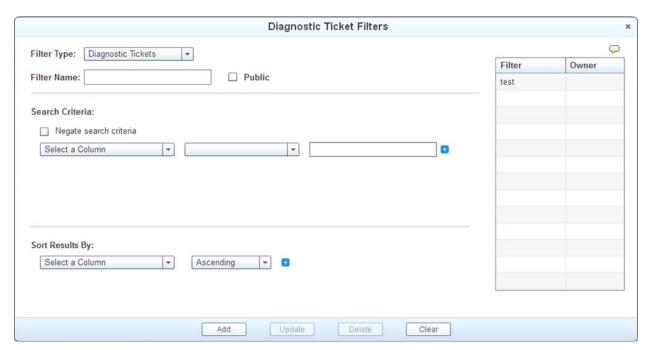


8 Select a filter from the **Apply Filter** drop-down list. A list of diagnostic tickets displays.

Create a Filter

1 From the **Diagnostic Ticket Report** screen, click **Edit Filter**. The **Diagnostic Ticket Filters** dialog box displays.

Figure 41



- 2 From the **Filter Type** drop-down, select the type of filter you want to create. You can select:
 - Media
 - Diagnostic Tickets
- 3 Select Diagnostic Tickets.
- 4 Type a name for your filter in the **Filter Name** box. Filter names can be up to 24 characters in length and may include dashes, underscores and alphanumeric characters.

5 If you want to make your filter available to other users, select the **Public** checkbox.

Note: All filters created by you, as well as any public filters, will display in the table. All filters owned by you will not show an owner, while all public filters will display the owner.

- 6 In the **Search Criteria** section, set up your filter conditionals.
 - **a** From the **Select a Column** drop-down, select the column you want to run your filter on.
 - **b** Once a column has been selected, the **Select Condition** dropdown displays.
 - c Select a condition. Depending on the type of condition selected, the last box will either be for text or a date and time.
 - **d** Enter your final criteria details in the last box.
 - e If you are done, go to the **Sort Results By** section. If you want to add more criteria, click the blue plus sign at the end of the criteria row.

Note: If you want to get the opposite results of what you set up for your criteria, select the **Negate search criteria** checkbox.

- 7 In the **Sort Result By**: section, select the column you want to use to sort your results from the **Select a Column** drop-down.
- 8 From the next drop-down, select how you want the results sorted: Ascending or Descending.
- 9 If you are creating a new filter, click **Add** when finished. If you are editing a filter, click **Update**.
- 10 If you need to start over with your filter, click Clear and all search criteria are removed.

Send a Diagnostic Ticket Report

- 1 To send the diagnostic ticket report via e-mail, click Send. A dialog box displays.
- 2 Type the e-mail address and click **E-Mail Report**. A dialog displays informing you that the report has been sent.

Save a Diagnostic Ticket Report

- 1 To save the diagnostic ticket report, click **Save**. The **Save As** dialog box displays
- 2 Navigate to where you want to save the diagnostic ticket report.
- **3** Click **Save**. A dialog displays informing you that the report has been saved.

Media Report

The Media Report displays all available media on your Scalar LTFS appliance. To view a smaller subset of media, you can create filters. If a filter is applied, any report sent or saved will contain only the filtered information.

A customized report may be created by reordering the columns by selecting the column and dragging it to the desired position. Columns may be hidden by clicking the \mathbf{X} in the column header. The report is generated as the data is displayed on the screen.

1 From the navigation panel, click **Reports > Media**. The **Media Report** screen displays.

Figure 42 Media Report screen

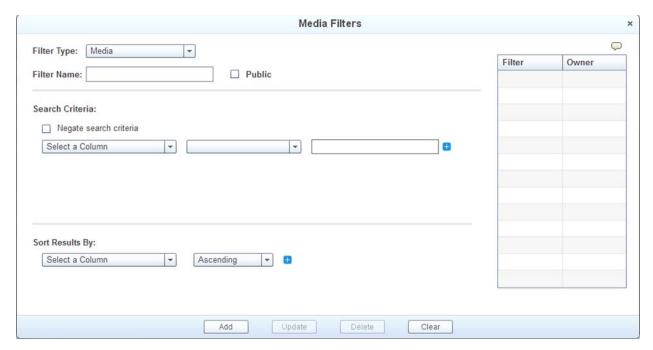


2 Select a filter from the **Apply Filter** drop-down list. A list of media displays.

Create a Filter

1 From the **Media Report** screen, click **Edit Filter**. The **Media Filters** dialog box displays.

Figure 43 Media Filters screen



- 2 From the **Filter Type** drop-down, select the type of filter you want to create. You can select:
 - Media
 - Diagnostic Tickets
- Select Media.
- 4 Type a name for your filter in the **Filter Name** box. Filter names can be up to 24 characters in length and may include dashes, underscores and alphanumeric characters.
- 5 If you want to make your filter available to other users, select the **Public** checkbox.

Note: All filters created by you, as well as any public filters, will display in the table. All filters owned by you will not show an owner, while all public filters will display the owner.

6 In the Search Criteria section, set up your filter conditionals.

- **a** From the **Select a Column** drop-down, select the column you want to run your filter on.
- **b** Once a column has been selected, the **Select Condition** dropdown displays.
- c Select a condition. Depending on the type of condition selected, the last box will either be for text or a date and time.
- **d** Enter your final criteria details in the last box.
- e If you are done, go to the **Sort Results By** section. If you want to add more criteria, click the blue plus sign at the end of the criteria row.

Note: If you want to get the opposite results of what you set up for your criteria, select the **Negate search criteria** checkbox.

- 7 In the **Sort Result By:** section, select the column you want to use to sort your results from the **Select a Column** drop-down.
- 8 From the next drop-down, select how you want the results sorted: **Ascending** or **Descending**.
- 9 If you are creating a new filter, click **Add** when finished. If you are editing a filter, click **Update**.
- 10 If you need to start over with your filter, click Clear and the page returns to its initial state with one empty search and one empty sort row unless the page is currently displaying a filter owned by another user.

Note: If another user's filter has been selected from the table, the clear button will only clear the filter-name & filter-owner and re-enables everything on the page. This allows the user to modify the filter and add it as one of his own. A second click on the clear button clears the entire page.

Copy a Public Filter

Scalar LTFS allows you to open a filter made public by another user and copy it for your own purposes. Once copied, the filter is owned by you and can be modified. To copy a public filter:

- 1 From the Media Report screen, click Edit Filter. The Media Filters dialog box displays.
- 2 From the filter list on the right of the **Media Filters** dialog box, select a public filter not your own. You'll notice that all fields and drop-downs are greyed out.
- 3 Click Clear. The Filter Name field is cleared and all the options are now available for editing.
- **4** Type a new name for the filter.
- 5 Make any further changes to the filter.
- **6** Click **Update**. The filter is added to the filter list.

Note: Clicking the **Clear** button twice will clear all fields for the filter.

Send a Media Report

- 1 To send the configuration record via e-mail, click **Send**. A dialog box displays.
- **2** Type the e-mail address and click **E-Mail Report**. A dialog displays informing you that the report has been sent.

Save a Media Report

- 1 To save the configuration record, click Save. The Save As dialog box displays
- 2 Navigate to where you want to save the diagnostic ticket report.
- 3 Click **Save**. A dialog displays informing you that the report has been saved.

Media Count Report

1 From the navigation panel, click **Tools > Media Count**. The **Media Count Report** screen displays.

Figure 44 Media Count Report Window

Media Count Report				
× Volume State	× Total Media	× Media with Data	× Empty Media	× Unknown Media
Attached	8	6	0	2
Auto Attachable	0	0	0	0
Sequestered	3	3	0	0
Vaulted	1	1	0	0
				Send Save

The **Media Count Report** indicates the number of media in the available volume states. The report explains the total number of media in each state as well as the media containing data, how many are empty and the number of media that are unknown.

Send a Media Count Report

- 1 To send the report via e-mail, click **Send**. A dialog box displays.
- 2 Type the e-mail address and click **E-Mail Report**. A dialog displays informing you that the report has been sent.

Save a Media Count Report

- 1 To save the report, click **Save**. The **Save As** dialog box displays
- 2 Navigate to where you want to save the media count report.
- **3** Click **Save**. A dialog displays informing you that the report has been saved.

Message Summary Report

1 From the navigation panel, click **Tools** > **Messages**. The **Message Summary Report** screen displays.

Figure 45 Message Summary Report Window



The **Message Summary Report** indicates the number of specific system messages that have been generated. The report explains the type of message, it's description, the number of times it was generated and the last date it was generated.

Send a Message Summary Report

- 1 To send the report via e-mail, click **Send**. A dialog box displays.
- 2 Type the e-mail address and click **E-Mail Report**. A dialog displays informing you that the report has been sent.

Save a Message Summary Report

- 1 To save the report, click Save. The Save As dialog box displays
- 2 Navigate to where you want to save the message summary report.
- 3 Click **Save**. A dialog displays informing you that the report has been saved.

Volume Group Capacity Report

1 From the navigation panel, click **Reports > Volume Groups**. The **Volume Group Capacity** screen displays.

Figure 46 Volume Group Capacity Window

Volume Group Capacity					
Volume Group	× Media	× Total Capacity (MB)	× Used (Mb)	× Available (Mb)	
~!\$%^()_+{}	1	1378154	11089	1367065	
000095	0				
000132	0				
'000132 - 500.000 files	1	1367865	10939	1356926	
000236	0				
1000236	0				
000336	1	1378154	64393	1313761	
000336r	1	1378154	48454	1329700	
000566	0				
000566 rep	0				
0005821	1	1378154	253475	1124679	
000670	0				
000997	0				
000997 spanned file	0				
001540	0				
001552	1	2425551	133683	2291868	
001558	1	2425551	2425551	0	
001558 rep	1	1367865	24702	1343163	
001656	1	2407176	228	2406948	
2361	3	3911660	1500865	2410795	
ddd	1	1367865	294	1367571	
[discovered media]	0				
[scratch media]	0				

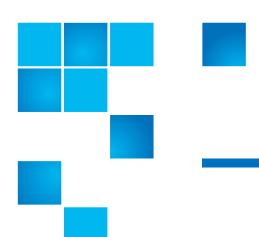
The **Volume Group Capacity Report** indicates the number of media per volume group as well as total capacity of the volume group and the amount of space used and available in Mbs.

Send a Volume Group Capacity Report

- 1 To send the report via e-mail, click **Send**. A dialog box displays.
- 2 Type the e-mail address and click **E-Mail Report**. A dialog displays informing you that the report has been sent.

Save a Volume Group Capacity Report

- 1 To save the report, click **Save**. The **Save As** dialog box displays
- 2 Navigate to where you want to save the message summary report.
- 3 Click **Save**. A dialog displays informing you that the report has been saved.



Chapter 8 Troubleshooting

To assist you in troubleshooting a system issue, this chapter provides a list of frequently asked questions by category:

<u>Detecting Problems</u> on page 123

Library Tape Drive Issues on page 129

Note: The first step in troubleshooting any issues with the Scalar LTFS Appliance or its libraries is to check for any diagnostic tickets and follow the steps listed. Only after this has been done should users consult the issues detailed in this chapter or contact a Quantum Service Representative.

Detecting Problems

How can I detect a problem within the appliance?

When the appliance detects an issue, it generates a diagnostic ticket, and the status button in the top bar of the GUI displays the color yellow to indicated a degraded status or red to indicate an "error" status (as explained in <u>Table 3</u> on page 33). Details about the diagnostic ticket are located in the GUI under **Tools > Diagnostic**

Tickets. For error detail, refer to <u>Review and Resolve Diagnostic</u> <u>Tickets</u> on page 93.

Accessing Media

I cannot access my media through the Scalar LTFS file system.

There are a number of ways to troubleshoot, including:

- Check for any opened diagnostic tickets. If a ticket has been generated, follow the steps to resolve the issue.
- If you're using security, verify that the host IP has been added and exported. Tools > Security > Access List.

If there is not an open ticket:

- On the library, ensure that your media is either LTO-5 or higher generation, the library partition is online and media has the correct six character barcode.
- Using the appliance, check to ensure that the partition is attached and online. Select **Configuration > Partitions**.
- Ensure that at least one drive is Online. Configuration > Partitions.
- Verify that Scalar LTFS has a license installed. Configuration > Licenses.
- Check the media, if it is not attached, it could be a formatting problem, the wrong generation, or not labeled. Operations > Media

Viewing Partitions

Why do I still see a partition I removed or modified?

If a Scalar LTFS Appliance was originally configured for multiple partitions and then modified to have less partitions, a 'ghost partition' may still appear in the library. To remove this 'ghost partition' from displaying in the library:

- 1 From the Scalar LTFS Appliance GUI, take the partitions that were removed/modified offline.
- **2** Detach the removed partition in the Scalar LTFS Appliance GUI.
- **3** Go to the Scalar LTFS Appliance tape library and remove/modify the partition.

4 From the Scalar LTFS Appliance GUI, bring the active partition online, leaving the removed/modified partition offline and unattached.

After a few minutes, the unattached partition will disappear from the Scalar LTFS Appliance GUI and the active partition will have the correct media and drives available.

Reservation Conflicts

There are two situations where a user may see a **Reservation Conflict** message.

- The Scalar LTFS Appliance shuts down with media still in drives
- A user attempts an export from the library without taking a partition offline from the Scalar LTFS GUI

To remove a reservation conflict:

- 1 From the Scalar LTFS Appliance GUI, select the **Configuration** > **Partitions** menu.
- 2 From the **Partitions** screen, uncheck the **Online** box for the partition that has the reservation conflict.
- 3 Click Apply.
- 4 Wait the time set in the **Idle Volume Timeout** drop-down menu and check the **Online** box for the partition that was just taken offline.
- 5 Click Apply. The user should see that the media is now unmounted.

Note: Users can also select the **Operations > Media** menu to check that the partition drives are online and no longer contain media.

6 The reservation should be removed.

Note: If the reservation is not removed, take the partition offline again and from the Scalar LTFS Appliance GUI, unload or move media from the drive.

Caution:

In the event of a system crash, it is possible for reservations to be left on a drive. Taking a partition offline and then back online will not allow users to remove media. To remove media from a drive with queued reservations, users must power cycle the Scalar LTFS Appliance.

Volume Synchronization Issues

In some cases, volumes get out of sync with the disk index and media index. If this happens, the media will be sequestered and the user will receive ticket stating "volume reformatted or different volume."

Scalar LTFS monitors the contents of media that it represents in the file system namespace. If at any point it detects that a medium has changed outside of its control, it sequesters that medium. This can occur for several reasons, some examples include:

- An out-of-date save-restore image has been installed
- A vaulted medium has been modified

Under these (and other similar) circumstances the medium will be sequestered as "volume reformatted or different volume."

Drive License Issues

I'm having issues with drive licenses. What can I do?

Drive licenses are used whenever a tape is loaded into a drive by Scalar LTFS. Drive licenses are freed when the tape is subsequently unloaded. In certain error conditions, drives licenses may not be released, affecting the system drive usage by reducing or even eliminating the number of usable drives.

If an LTFS volume appears to be stuck in a drive, perform the following steps, stopping when the GUI indicates that the volume has successfully been unloaded. Wait 10 minutes between each step, in order to allow the system time to unload the volume.

- 1 Check that the host interface (FC or SAS) cables are connected to the affected drive as well as the control path drive in the affected partition.
- 2 If necessary, bring the partition and drive online.

- 3 If the volume is loaded in a drive, but sequestered, try attaching the volume via the GUI.
- 4 Try bringing the partition and drive offline and then back online again.
- 5 If none of the above steps work, restart the Scalar LTFS appliance.
 - a Stop all IO to the system. This may need to be scheduled in advance to let all users know that the system will not be available while the drive/library maintenance is performed.
 - **b** Wait for all tapes to dismount from the drives.
 - **c** Using the SLTFS GUI, restart the appliance.
 - **d** Select **Operations** > **Logoff** and click the **Restart System** button.
 - e When the system has restarted, all drive licenses should now be available.

GUI Performance

Why is my GUI running so slow?

Slow GUI performance may be caused by a disconnect of a previously used DNS address if a system restart has not been performed recently. To resolve this issue, either restart Scalar LTFS or attach it to the network to allow a DNS resolution.

Firmware Updates

Why am I getting an IO error during a firmware update?

It is possible a corrupted or invalid firmware file is detected which causes the firmware update to fail. In this case, a user should download the firmware file to another location or server and reattempt the firmware update.

Drive/Library Maintenance

I need to perform library/drive maintenance. What can I do?

To perform drive/library maintenance and get the drive(s) working properly, complete the following steps:

- 1 Stop all IO to the system. This may need to be scheduled in advance to let all users know that the system will not be available while the drive/library maintenance is performed.
- 2 Wait for all tapes to unload or dismount from the drives.
- **3** Take the affected partition offline.
- **4** Perform the required drive or partition maintenance.
- **5** Put the affected partition back online.

Interacting with a Remote File Server on MacOS

How do I prevent .DS Store file creation over a network connection?

Note: The following steps do not prevent the Finder from creating .DS_Store files on the local volume, and these steps do not prevent previously existing .DS_Store files from being copied to the remote file server

Note: Disabling the creation of .DS_Store files on remote file servers can cause unexpected behavior in the Finder.

The Mac OS Finder file browser will at times generate a .DS_Store file in folders to store Finder specific information. On initial access of these folders, the Finder will automatically attempt to read this file causing an unexpected tape mount. To disable .DS_Store creation, complete the following steps:

- 1 Open a terminal session by navigating to **Applications > Utilities**.
- 2 Click the **Terminal** icon.
- **3** Execute the following command:

defaults write com.apple.desktopservices
DSDontWriteNetworkStores true

4 You can either restart the computer or log out and back in to the same user account.

If you want to prevent .DS_Store file creation for other users on the same computer, log in to each user account and perform the steps above-or distribute a copy of the newly modified com.apple.desktopservices.plist file to the ~/Library/
Preferences folder of other user accounts.

Library Tape Drive Issues

Use the following tools to run diagnostic test on a tape drive:

- IBM tape drive Run the ITDT diagnostic tool. Instructions for downloading and using the tool are included on the CS Web site.
- HP tape drive Run the LTT un the ITDT diagnostic tool. Instructions for downloading and using the tool are included on the CS Web site.

Sequestered Tape Fault

In the event of a sequestered tape fault, use the following steps to determine if it is a drive or media issue:

1 Check for a diagnostic ticket DT052 - Sequestered Cartridge. There should also be a corresponding diagnostic ticket DT058 - Drive Offline.

Note: A DT052 diagnostic ticket should not happen without a DT058 but a DT058 can happen without a DT052.

- 2 Leave the drive identified in the DT058 diagnostic ticket offline.
- **3** Using a different drive, attempt to reattach the sequestered cartridge.
- 4 If the tape successfully attaches, then it is likely a drive issue.
- 5 To verify if it is a drive issue, put the drive back online and take all the other drives offline.
- **6** Using a known good tape, attempt to access data via the file system and see if it is successful.
- 7 If the data cannot be retrieved from the known good tape, it is likely a drive issue.

Note: If the tape cannot be attached, it is likely a problem with the media. In this case, there is the potential for data loss on the tape and users should contact their customer service representative.

Sequestered Volume Corruption

What do I do if my media will not attach?

Note: Before running the SLTFSCK utility, try a media to media copy.

In the event of a media attach failure, run the SLTFSCK utility and complete the following steps:

Note: Ensure media is not set to write-protected and assigned to partition.

- 1 If the issue is not resolved, from service port, login as:
 - User: sltfs
 - Password: 5ltf5c73
- 2 Enter number: 1 (mount media must have empty drive).
- 3 Enter volser (000011). Drive information is scanned and displayed.
- 4 Enter number: 0 (recover volume).

Note: Use option 0 to recover as much data as possible on the tape.

- 5 Type: volser (000011) and press Enter. The volume scan begins. The following information displays:
 - Scan drive=256 (HP /Ultrium 5-SCSI /Serial Number) 000011
- **6** The scan completes and returns the following information:

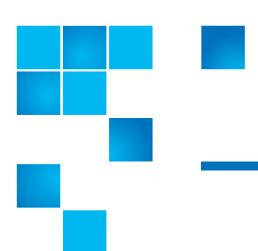
(2012-07-23 14:37:13.243013376 UTC)

1st run

First run gets available indexes, second run performs recovery

- 7 Once finished, the screen returns with the Main Menu > Complete.
- 8 Enter number: 2 (dismount volume).
- **9** Enter volser (000011): Scan drive information displayed.
- 10 Enter number: 99 (Quit).
- **11** Attach volume in the partition.

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Appendix A User Roles

Based on your login credentials as a user or administrator, you can perform the following functions by role:

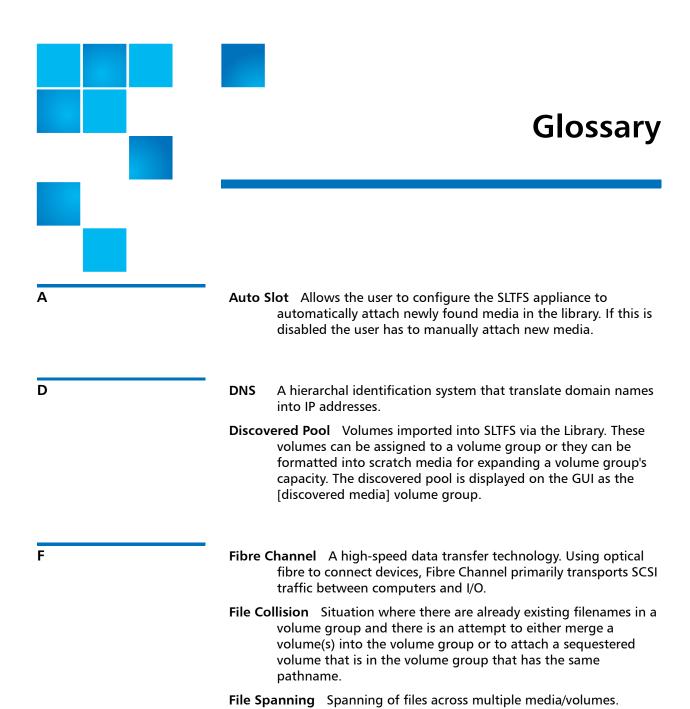
Table 8 Administrator Role Matrix

Administrator Permission Level	User Permission Level	Function by Window
Add, change	View	Configuration > System
Add, change	View	Configuration > Notifications
Add	View	Configuration > Licenses
Add, change	View	Configuration > Date and Time
Add, change	View	Configuration > Networks
Add, change, delete	View, change password	Configuration > Users
Add, change	View	Configuration > Partitions
Change	View, attach, sequester	Operations > Media
Execute	Execute	Operations > Logoff
Execute	View	Operations > Media Copy

Table 9 Service Role Matrix

Service roles have some of the permissions listed in <u>Table 8</u> on page 133 plus the permissions listed below.

Service Permission Level	Admin Permission Level	Function by Window
Execute	None	Service > Clear to Ship
Execute	None	Service > Reset Factory Defaults



L	LTFS An acronym for Linear Tape File System, a file system that provides access to files on the latest generations of LTO tape technology as if the files were on the user's local disk.
P	Partition (A logical subset of an underlying physical library that may present a different personality, capacity, or both to the host. It is a representation of real physical elements, combined to create a grouping that is different from the physical library. Also a logical portion of the physical library that is viewed by the host as if it is a complete library. Partitions present the appearance of multiple, separate libraries for purposes of file management, access by multiple users, or dedication to one or more host applications.
R	Diagnostic Ticket A ticket that alerts the user of an issue with the appliance. Diagnostic tickets identify which appliance components are causing an issue. When possible, the diagnostic ticket provides instructions for resolving the issue.
S	SAS (Serial Attached SCSI)) A SCSI interface standard that provides for attaching HBAs and RAID controllers to both SAS and SATA disk and tape drives, as well as other SAS devices.

- Scalar LTFS Scalar LTFS (Linear Tape File System) is a Quantumproprietary software stack that implements a file system that complies with the Linear Tape File System (LTFS) Format Specification, using automated tape libraries to allow users to see and use files contained within multiple, independent LTFS volumes as a single collection, as if the files were on the user's local disk.
- Scratch Pool Volumes formatted and then available to be autoattached by SLTFS for expanding a volume group's capacity. The scratch media pool is displayed on the GUI as the [scratch media] volume group.
- **Setup Wizard** A tool for initially configuring the appliance. It appears the first time the user configures the appliance via the service port connection.

Sequester A media state that removes all metadata from the system, such that the tape, and it's data, will no longer be seen in the file system. At this point a user can either physically remove it from the system, reformat it or reattach it.

Software Stack A collection of software that serves a single purpose.

U

URB (User Request Broker) A component that services UTI requests as well as internal ALTFSD requests. Requests are generally job requests.

V

- **Vaulted Media** A media state indicating that volumes have been exported from the system but the system still retains their metadata.
- **Volume Group** A volume group is a collection of one or more media that is presented to end users and applications as a directory in the file system.

Glossary