

Dell EMC System Update version 1.9.2.0

Security Configuration Guide

Notes, cautions, and warnings

 **NOTE:** A NOTE indicates important information that helps you make better use of your product.

 **CAUTION:** A CAUTION indicates either potential damage to hardware or loss of data and tells you how to avoid the problem.

 **WARNING:** A WARNING indicates a potential for property damage, personal injury, or death.

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Scope of the document

This document includes information about security features and capabilities of Dell EMC System Update (DSU).

Audience

This document is intended for individuals who are responsible for managing security for Dell EMC System Update.

Revision History

The following table presents the revision history of this document.

Table 1. Revision History

Revision	Date	Description
A00	July 2021	Initial release of the Dell EMC System Update 1.9.2.0 Security Guideline Document.
A00	March 2021	Initial release of the Dell EMC System Update 1.9.1.0 Security Guideline Document.

Document References

In addition to this guide, you can access the other guides available at dell.com/support. Since DSU supports an Update to the Server through iDRAC, see Integrated Dell Remote Access Controller User's Guide for any configuration-related queries. For the information about supported PowerEdge Servers, see Dell EMC Systems Management - OpenManage Software Support Matrix. Go to support site, click product support -> Dell EMC system Update to access the following documents:

- Dell EMC System Update Version 1.9 User's Guide
- Dell System Update 1.9 Release Notes

You can find the technical artifacts including white papers at dell.com/support

Security resources

- Dell Security Advisories (DSA) dell.com/support/security
- Support knowledge base (KB) articles at dell.com/support/kbdoc/en-us/000130590/dell-emc-system-update-dsu

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Topics:

- [Terms used in this document](#)

Terms used in this document

Table 2. Terms used in this document

Terminology	Description
DSU	Dell EMC System Update
DUP	Dell EMC Update Package
iDRAC	Integrated Dell Remote Access Controller
WMI	Windows Management Instrumentation
SSH	Secure Shell

Deployment models

You can deploy Dell EMC System Update on Microsoft Windows Server or Linux operating system through Dell Update Package (DUP) on supported Dell EMC PowerEdge servers. Dell EMC System Update supports online or offline method to deploy on the selected operating system through Dell Update Package. For more information on the deployment of Dell System Update, see Dell EMC System Update User's Guide at **dell.com/support**

Topics:

- [Security profiles](#)

Security profiles

Dell EMC System Update has a default security profile for secure HTTP or HTTPS access with self-signed certificate during installations. It is recommended to replace the Certificate Authority (CA) signed certificates for a better security environment.

Product and Subsystem Security

Topics:

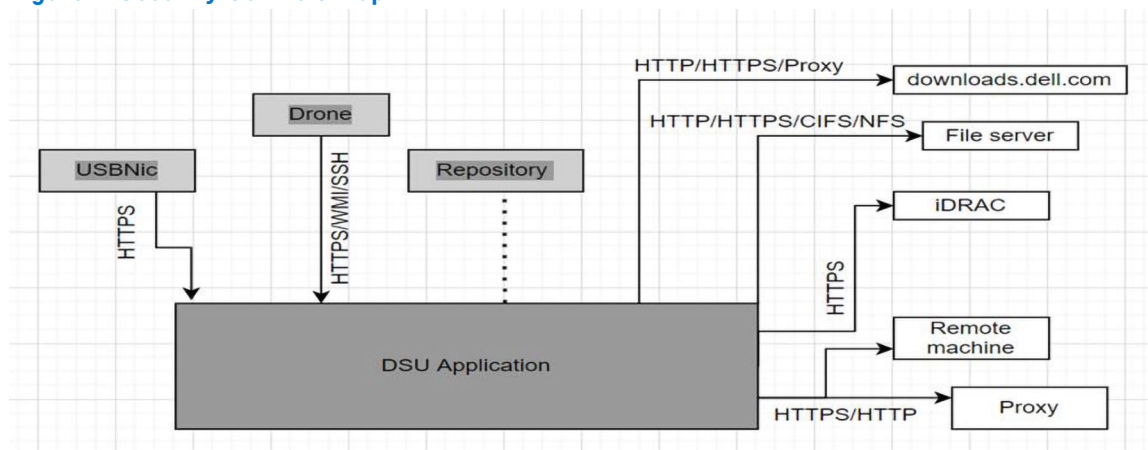
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Security controls map

Dell EMC System Update is a script optimized update deployment tool that is used to apply Dell EMC updates such as applications, firmware, and drivers for Linux and Microsoft Windows operating systems. Using DSU, identifies the available updates, select the relevant updates, and deploy the updates on a single system or multiple systems through operating systems or integrated Dell Remote Access Controller(iDRAC) or iDRAC passthrough(connection to the iDRAC through redfish API to get relevant firmware update and deploy. System Credentials (share location credentials) used for repository or system (remote server) access are not stored within DSU.

The following figure displays the DSU security controls map:

Figure 1. Security Controls Map



Authentication

Access control

Dell EMC System Update allows only administrator console and root privilege console account to perform the operation.

Login security settings

Failed login behavior

Dell EMC System Update (DSU) populate failed login message on console for wrong credential. For more information about failed login behavior of DSU, see the Dell EMC System Update User's Guide at dell.com/support

Remote connection security

Dell EMC System Update uses open source library for remote connection using SSH and WMI and it does not log the credentials mentioned for connections.

User and credential management

Dell EMC System Update supports HTTPS and HTTP connections.

Network security

Dell System Update uses a pre-configured firewall to enhance security by restricting inbound and outbound network traffic to the TCP and UDP ports. The tables in this section lists the inbound and outbound ports that Dell System Update uses.

Network exposure

Dell System Update uses inbound and outbound ports when communicating with remote systems.

Outbound ports

Outbound ports can be used by Dell System Update when connecting to a remote system..

The ports that are listed in the following table are the Dell System Update outbound ports.

Table 3. Outbound ports

Port number	Layer 4 Protocol	Service
7	TCP, UDP	ECHO
22	TCP	SSH
25	TCP	SMTP
53	UDP, TCP	DNS
67,68	TCP	DHCP
80	TCP	HTTP
88	TCP, UDP	Kerberos
111	TCP, UDP	ONC RPC
123	TCP, UDP	NTP
161-163	TCP, UDP	SNMP
389	TCP, UDP	LDAP
443	TCP	HTTPS

Table 3. Outbound ports (continued)

Port number	Layer 4 Protocol	Service
448	TCP	Data Protection Search Admin REST API
464	TCP, UDP	Kerberos
514	TCP, UDP	rsh
587	TCP	SMTP
636	TCP, UDP	LDAPS
902	TCP	VMware ESXi
2049	TCP, UDP	NFS
2052	TCP, UDP	mountd, clearvisn
3009	TCP	Data Domain REST API

Inbound ports

The inbound ports that are available to be used by a remote system when connecting to Dell System Update remote.

The ports that are listed in the following table are the Dell System Update inbound ports.

Table 4. Inbound ports

Port number	Layer 4 Protocol	Service
22	TCP	SSH
80	TCP	HTTP
443	TCP	HTTPS
135	TCP	WMI

Data security

DSU does not store any data in databases also from input dependencies libraries. DSU uses certificates for secure HTTP access (HTTPS). By default, DSU installs GPG keys and uses the self-signed certificate for the HTTPS secure transactions. For better security, it is recommended to use the Certificate Authority (CA) signed or custom certificates.

Auditing and logging

DSU administration console generate all the relevant logs in default location or user provided location. DSU supports Log file retention , compression and file rollover. Log file sizes are defined to 5 MB limit. A descriptive and clear log messages are provided. For more information about Troubleshooting, Log files, see the Dell EMC System Update User's Guide available at [dell.com/support](https://www.dell.com/support)

Serviceability

The support website <https://www.dell.com/support> provides access to licensing information, product documentation, advisories, downloads, and troubleshooting information. This information helps you to resolve a product issue before you contact support team.

Special login is not required to Dell EMC System Update for service personnel. If the troubleshooting bundle is not sufficient, the personnel can enable the root user to collect more information.

Ensure that you install security patches and other updates when they are available, including the Dell EMC System Update.

Product code integrity

The Dell EMC System Update software installer is signed by Dell. It is recommended that you verify the authenticity of the Dell EMC System Update installer signature.

Miscellaneous Configuration and Management

Topics:

- [Dell EMC System Update licensing](#)
- [Protect authenticity and integrity](#)
- [Manage backup and restore in Dell EMC System Update](#)

Dell EMC System Update licensing

DSU has open source approvals for the internal dependencies and gets installed with the application on the box. It can also be found at opensource.dell.com/releases/DSU/ For more information about licensing of Dell EMC System Update, see the *Dell EMC System Update User's Guide* available at dell.com/support

NOTE:

Any active license can be used for Dell EMC System Update 1.9.1.0 versions. Licenses used from previous instances of Dell EMC System Update or downloaded again from the Digital Locker can be used for current instances of Dell EMC System Update.

Protect authenticity and integrity

To ensure product integrity, the Dell EMC System Update installation and update components are signed.

To ensure communication integrity, it is recommended to use CA-signed certificate.

Manage backup and restore in Dell EMC System Update

For information about backup and restore, see the Dell EMC System Update User's Guide available at <https://www.dell.com/support/home/?app=knowledgebase>