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# About Using the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director 10.1

The *Using the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-In for VMware Cloud Director* 10.1 guide provides information and instructions about configuring and using the VMware® vRealize Orchestrator plug-in for VMware® Cloud Director 10.1.

You can access the guide in HTML format by using the table of contents on the left side of the page.

The guide is also available in PDF format, which you can access by selecting the PDF download icon while reading a page or viewing a search result.

## Intended Audience

This information is intended for anyone who is installing and configuring the plug-in, and using the API of the plug-in. *Using the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-In for VMware Cloud Director* is written for experienced users who are familiar with virtualization technology, with vRealize Orchestrator workflow development, and with VMware Cloud Director.

For more information about vRealize Orchestrator, see <https://docs.vmware.com/en/vRealize-Orchestrator/index.html>.

For more information about VMware Cloud Director, see <https://docs.vmware.com/en/VMware-Cloud-Director/index.html>.

# Introduction to the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director

The vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director allows interaction between vRealize Orchestrator and VMware Cloud Director.

You can use the plug-in to run workflows that automate VMware Cloud Director processes.

The plug-in contains a set of standard workflows. You can also create custom workflows that implement the plug-in API to automate tasks in your VMware Cloud Director environment.

This chapter includes the following topics:

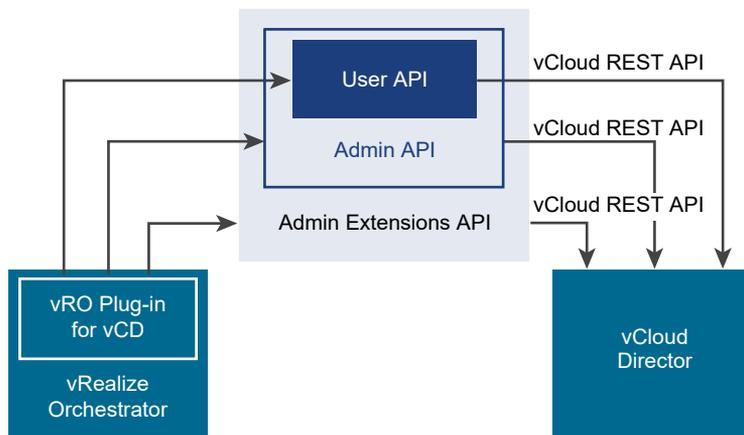
- vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director Components
- Installing and Configuring the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director

## vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director Components

The vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director relies on a number of components to function properly.

vRealize Orchestrator and VMware Cloud Director provide the platform for the plug-in, and the plug-in provides interaction between those products.

Figure 1-1. Component Relations



The vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director implements the User, Admin, and Admin Extensions API classes that correspond to the types of API classes in VMware Cloud Director.

All users can read User API classes and users with appropriate rights can modify these classes.

Users with administrative rights can modify Admin API and User API classes.

The Admin Extensions API classes are VMware-specific and only system administrators can modify these classes. System administrators can also modify Admin API and User API classes.

The vCloud Java SDK provides the communication platform between the JavaScript API of the plug-in and the VMware Cloud Director REST API.

## Role of vRealize Orchestrator with the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director

You must use the vRealize Orchestrator configuration interface to install and configure the plug-in. You use the Orchestrator client to run and create workflows and access the plug-in API.

The vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director is powered by vRealize Orchestrator. vRealize Orchestrator is a development and process-automation platform that provides a library of extensible workflows to manage the VMware vCenter Server infrastructure and other technologies.

vRealize Orchestrator allows integration with management and administration solutions through its open plug-in architecture. VMware Cloud Director is one example of an administration solution that you can integrate with vRealize Orchestrator by using plug-ins.

By configuring your environment for `Multi-site` connection, you can manage and monitor VMware Cloud Director sites and their organizations as single entities. You can use the federation option, when establishing a site connection, to associate two sites and the organizations occupying these sites.

The vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director provides extensibility and flexibility for user-defined actions, by allowing you to use a REST Client. You can get an XML response and convert it into a vCloud object by calling the REST API provided by the REST Client. This way you can create and customize your own workflows.

## List of Modified Actions

The integration of the latest REST API schemas caused modifications to a number of actions. The following table lists the modified actions and the new parameters.

Modified action	Added parameters
createAccessSetting	externalSubjectArg
createAdminOrgParams	orgAssociationsArg rightReferencesArg roleReferencesArg roleTemplateReferencesArg vdcTemplatesArg
createAdminServiceLinkParams	externalResourceIdArg
createAdminVdcParams	resourcePoolRefsArg universalNetworkPoolReferenceArg vCpuInMhz2Arg vmDiscoveryEnabledArg
createAdminVdcStorageProfileParams	iopsAllocatedArg iopsSettingsArg storageUsedMBAArg
createCloneVAppParams	sourcedItemArg
createComposeVAppParams	createItemArg
createCreateVdcParams	resourcePoolRefsArg vmDiscoveryEnabledArg
createDiskParams	iopsArg
createError	tenantErrorArg
createEvent	eventPropertiesArg
createGatewayConfiguration	advancedNetworkingEnabledArg distributedRoutingEnabledArg fipsModeEnabledArg syslogServerSettingsArg
createGatewayParams	gatewayBackingRefArg

Modified action	Added parameters
createGeneralSettings	advancedNetworkingDfwApiUriArg advancedNetworkingDfwUiUriArg advancedNetworkingEnabledArg advancedNetworkingGatewayApiUriArg advancedNetworkingGatewayUiUriArg allowFipsModeForEdgeGatewaysArg maxVdcQuotaArg" t="number"><![CDATA[TBS]]></param> restApiBaseHttpUriArg restApiBaseUriPublicCertChainArg subInterfacesEnabledArg systemExternalAddressPublicCertChainArg systemExternalHttpAddressArg tenantPortalExternalAddressArg tenantPortalExternalHttpAddressArg tenantPortalPublicCertChainArg vmDiscoveryEnabledArg
createImportVmAsVAppParams	importedDiskArg
createImportVmIntoExistingVAppParams	importedDiskArg
createInstantiateOvfParams	removeNonStandardOvfExtensionsArg
createInstantiateVAppParams	sourcedItemArg
createInstantiateVAppTemplateParams	sourcedItemArg
createLBPoolMember	conditionArg
createNetworkConfiguration	advancedNetworkingEnabledArg distributedInterfaceArg guestVlanAllowedArg subInterfaceArg
createNetworkConnection	networkAdapterTypeArg
createOperatingSystemInfo	maximumCoresPerSocketArg maximumSocketCountArg recommendedNICArg supportedHardDiskAdapterArg supportedNICTypeArg
createOrgAssociation	orgIdArg orgNameArg orgPublicKeyArg siteIdArg siteNameArg

Modified action	Added parameters
createOrgFederationSettings	certificateExpirationArg roleAttributeNameArg samISPEntityIdArg samISPKeyAndCertificateChainArg
createOrgGeneralSettings	vdcQuotaArg vmDiscoveryEnabledArg
createOrgLeaseSettings	powerOffOnRuntimeLeaseExpirationArg
createOrgOperationLimitsSettings	queuedOperationsPerOrgArg queuedOperationsPerUserArg
createOrgSettings	orgOAuthSettingsArg
createOrgVdcNetworkParams	providerInfoArg vimPortGroupRefArg
createProviderVdcStorageProfileParams	iopsAllocatedArg iopsCapacityArg
createQueryResultAdminOrgVdcStorageProfileRecord	iopsAllocatedArg iopsLimitArg
createQueryResultAdminTaskRecord	progressArg
createQueryResultAdminVAppRecord	isAutoNatureArg
createQueryResultAdminVdcRecord	descriptionArg networkPoolUniversalIdArg numberOfDeployedVAppsArg numberOfRunningVMsArg numberOfVMsArg
createQueryResultAdminVMRecord	gcStatusArg isAutoNatureArg
createQueryResultCatalogRecord	descriptionArg publishSubscriptionTypeArg statusArg versionArg
createQueryResultDatastoreRecord	iopsAllocatedArg iopsCapacityArg
createQueryResultEdgeGatewayRecord	advancedNetworkingEnabledArg availableNetCountArg distributedRoutingEnabledArg orgVdcNameArg
createQueryResultMediaRecord	lastSuccessfulSyncArg versionArg
createQueryResultNetworkPoolRecord	universalIdArg

Modified action	Added parameters
createQueryResultOrgVdcNetworkRecord	interfaceTypeArg totalIpCountArg usedIpCountArg
createQueryResultOrgVdcRecord	cpuReservedMhzArg descriptionArg memoryReservedMBArg networkPoolUniversalIdArg numberOfDeployedVAppsArg numberOfRunningVMsArg numberOfVMsArg
createQueryResultOrgVdcStorageProfileRecord	iopsAllocatedArg iopsLimitArg
createQueryResultProviderVdcStorageProfileRecord	iopsAllocatedArg iopsCapacityArg
createQueryResultTaskRecord	progressArg
createQueryResultVAppRecord	isAutoNatureArg
createQueryResultVAppTemplateRecord	descriptionArg lastSuccessfulSyncArg versionArg
createQueryResultVirtualCenterRecord	listenerStateArg
createQueryResultVMRecord	autoDeleteDateArg autoUndeployDateArg gcStatusArg ipAddressArg isAutoDeleteNotifiedArg isAutoNatureArg isAutoUndeployNotifiedArg networkArg networkNameArg ownerArg ownerNameArg vmToolsStatusArg
createRecomposeVAppParams	reconfigureItemArg
createSession	authorizedLocationsArg rolesArg
createShieldManagerParams	controlVmDatastoreNameArg controlVmManagementInterfaceNameArg controlVmResourcePoolNameArg
createSmtpServerSettings	smtpSecureModeArg sslTrustStoreArg

Modified action	Added parameters
createSmtplibSettings	smtpSecureModeArg sslTrustStoreArg
createSourcedCompositionItemParam	localityParamsArg vmCapabilitiesArg vmGeneralParamsArg
createSubnetParticipation	useForDefaultRouteArg
createSystemSettings	operationLimitsSettingsArg
createTaskParams	resultArg
createVdcStorageProfileParams	iopsSettingsArg
createVersionInfo	deprecatedArg
createVmParams	bootOptionsArg mediaArg
createVmVimInfo	vmDiskDatastoresArg
createVMWExternalNetworkParams	vimPortGroupRefsArg
createVMWProviderVdcParams	vxlanNetworkPoolArg
createVxlanPoolParams	transportZoneRefArg
modifyAdminOrg	orgAssociationsArg rightReferencesArg roleReferencesArg roleTemplateReferencesArg vdcTemplatesArg
modifyAdminServiceLink	externalResourceIdArg
modifyAdminVdc	resourcePoolRefsArg universalNetworkPoolReferenceArg vCpuInMhz2Arg vmDiscoveryEnabledArg
modifyAdminVdcStorageProfile	iopsAllocatedArg iopsSettingsArg storageUsedMBAArg
modifyDisk	iopsArg
modifyGateway	gatewayBackingRefArg
modifyOrgVdcNetwork	providerInfoArg vimPortGroupRefArg
modifyProviderVdcStorageProfile	iopsAllocatedArg iopsCapacityArg
modifyTask	resultArg

Modified action	Added parameters
modifyVApp	autoNatureArg
modifyVdc	vCpuInMhz2Arg
modifyVdcStorageProfile	iopsAllocatedArg iopsSettingsArg storageUsedMBAArg
modifyVm	bootOptionsArg mediaArg
modifyVMWProviderVdcStorageProfile	iopsAllocatedArg iopsCapacityArg

## Plug-In Interaction with VMware Cloud Director

You use the plug-in to run vRealize Orchestrator workflows that interact with VMware Cloud Director to perform automated tasks in the vCloud infrastructure.

With VMware Cloud Director, you can build secure, multitenant clouds by combining virtual infrastructure resources into virtual data centers. Virtual data centers, or VDCs, are a fully automated, catalog-based service that users access through web-based portals and programmatic interfaces.

## Installing and Configuring the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director

To automate VMware Cloud Director processes in your environment, you install and configure the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director.

### VMware Cloud Director Functional Prerequisites

To be able to install and use the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director, your system must meet some prerequisites.

#### vRealize Orchestrator

Verify that you have a running instance of vRealize Orchestrator and its version is compatible with the versions of your VMware Cloud Director and vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director.

For information about the compatibility between VMware Cloud Director and vRealize Orchestrator, see the *VMware Cloud Director Release Notes*.

For information about setting up vRealize Orchestrator, logging in to the vRealize Orchestrator client, and available authentication methods, see the *Installing and Configuring VMware vRealize Orchestrator* documentation.

## VMware Cloud Director

Verify that the version of your vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director is compatible with your VMware Cloud Director version.

For information about the compatibility between vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director and VMware Cloud Director, see the *vRealize Orchestrator Plug-In for VMware Cloud Director Release Notes*.

For information about setting up VMware Cloud Director, see the *VMware Cloud Director Installation, Configuration and Upgrade Guide*.

## Install the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director

To install the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director, you download the `.vmoapp` installation file, and install the plug-in by using the vRealize Orchestrator Control Center.

### Prerequisites

- Verify that you have downloaded the `.vmoapp` installation file from the **Drivers & Tools** section on the VMware Cloud Director download page.
- Verify that you have installed the vRealize Orchestrator client and you can log in with administrator credentials.
- Verify that you can log in to the vRealize OrchestratorControl Center interface at `http://orchestrator_plugin_IP_or_DNS_name:8283/vco-controlcenter/config/`.

### Procedure

- 1 Download the plug-in file to a location accessible from the vRealize Orchestrator appliance.
- 2 In a Web browser, log in to the Control Center at `http://Orchestrator_IP_or_DNS_name:8283/vco-controlcenter`.  
The vRealize Orchestrator Control Center home page opens.
- 3 In the Plug-Ins area, click **Manage Plug-Ins**.
- 4 To upload the plug-in installation file, click **Browse**, navigate to the `.vmoapp` installation file, and click **Upload**.
- 5 After the file is successfully uploaded, turn on the **EULA** toggle to accept the End User License Agreement, and click **Install**.  
After the configuration change, the vRealize Orchestrator service takes 2 minutes to restart.
- 6 Navigate to **Home > Manage Plug-Ins** and confirm that the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director is listed and enabled.

- 7 Verify that vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director is successfully installed and configured.
  - a Open the vRealize Orchestrator client and log in.
  - b In the **Workflows** tab, enter **vCloud Director** to verify that the VMware Cloud Director workflows are present.

You can now browse through the workflows provided by the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director.

## Authentication Strategy

When you configure the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director, you must select an authentication method for managing users when they log in to your VMware Cloud Director instance.

### Basic Authentication

The basic authentication method provides a way to log in with user name and password.

### SAML Authentication

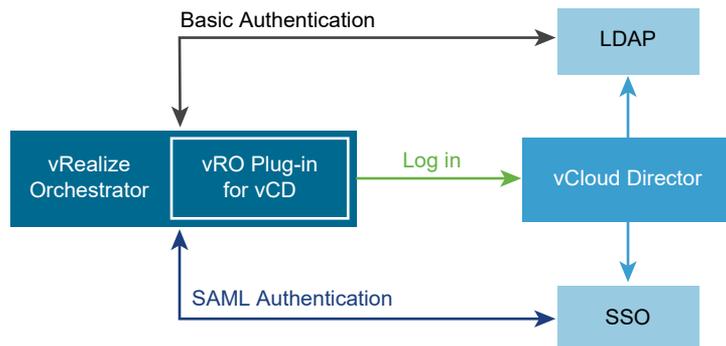
The Security Assertion Markup Language (SAML) authentication method provides a token login. This token is shared between all instances used by the user.

If you decide to use Basic Authentication and Session per user methods, ensure that the Orchestrator server is configured for LDAP authentication. The vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director uses the user name and password of the current user to log in to VMware Cloud Director.

If you decide to use SAML Authentication and Session per user methods, ensure that the Orchestrator server is configured for Single Sign On authentication. The plug-in uses the Single Sign On token provided by the Orchestrator server to log in to VMware Cloud Director.

The following figure shows the Session per user method to connect vRealize Orchestrator, vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director, LDAP server or Single Sign On Server, and VMware Cloud Director, when using SAML or Basic authentication.

Figure 1-2. Session Per User Method



If you decide to use Basic Authentication and Shared session methods, the Orchestrator server authentication mode is ignored and the plug-in uses a predefined user name and password to log in to VMware Cloud Director.

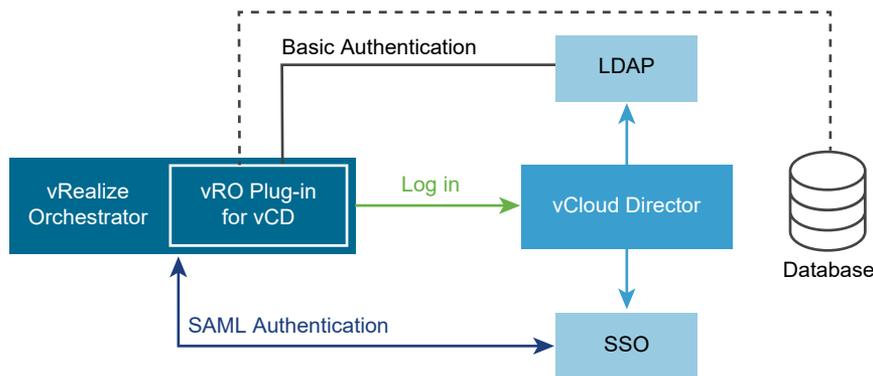
If you decide to use SAML Authentication and Shared session methods, the Orchestrator server authentication mode is ignored and the plug-in uses the SAML token provided by a callback action to log in to VMware Cloud Director. You must implement the callback action in your Orchestrator client.

Scripting example of the callback action

```
String acquireSamlToken() {
    var tokenKey = "cd5727e0-b5fd-11e1-afa6-0800200c9a66";
    var properties = new VclSharedProperties();
    var token = properties.getProperty(tokenKey);
    if (token == null) {
        var tokenLifetime = 600000; // 10 min lifetime
        token = // TODO: your logic to acquire the token
        properties.putProperty(tokenKey, token, tokenLifetime);
    }
    return token;
}
```

The following figure shows the Shared session method to connect vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director, LDAP server or Single Sign On Server, and VMware Cloud Director when using SAML or Basic authentication.

Figure 1-3. Shared Session Method



## Configure the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director

To manage VMware Cloud Director instances by using the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director, you must configure the connection parameters for each instance.

### Prerequisites

- Using the **Certificates** tab of the Orchestrator Control Center, import the SSL certificate for the VMware Cloud Director instance that you want to connect.

- Verify that VMware Cloud Director SSL certificate is imported in the VMware vRealize Orchestrator client.
- Verify that the VMware vRealize Orchestrator server, the VMware Cloud Director server and Single Sign On server are synchronized with the NTP server. To synchronize the time, see [Synchronize the Time by Using the vSphere Client](#).

#### Procedure

- 1 Log in to the vRealize Orchestrator client as an administrator.
- 2 Click the **Workflows** view in left pane of the Orchestrator client.
- 3 In the search box, enter **Add a connection** and press **Enter**.
- 4 Click the **Add a connection** workflow and click **Input Form**.
- 5 In the **Host** text box, type the IP address or the DNS name of the VMware Cloud Director instance.
- 6 In the **Port** text box, type the port number.  
The default port is 443.
- 7 Select whether to enable the new connection.
- 8 In the **Max. Connections** text box, type the maximum number of concurrent connections to the VMware Cloud Director instance.
- 9 In the **Connection timeout (ms)** text box, type the timeout interval in milliseconds.
- 10 In the **Cache timeout (s)** text box, type the cache timeout interval in seconds.
- 11 From the drop-down menu, select the API version that your VMware Cloud Director supports.
- 12 If you want the new connection to be federated, select the Federated check box.  
By federating a connection, you can manage multiple VMware Cloud Director entities with associated organizations in vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director.
- 13 Select whether to load the complete entity in the inventory view.
- 14 Click **Save**.
- 15 Click the **Authentication** tab.

- 16 In the Session mode text box, start typing and select the authentication method for managing user access on the VMware Cloud Director instance.

Option	Description
Per User Session	Select this option if your VMware Cloud Director is in an Active Directory domain. Make sure that the user has the necessary permissions to perform the required operations.  <b>Caution</b> Each user who logs in to Orchestrator creates a session to the VMware Cloud Director instance. Multiple sessions can rapidly strain CPU, memory, and bandwidth.
Shared Session	Select this option to allow Orchestrator to create only one connection to the VMware Cloud Director instance. Type the credentials of a user who is a VMware Cloud Director administrator.

**Note** If the authentication data comes from LDAP or Single Sign On, make sure the VMware Cloud Director organization is configured with the same LDAP or Single Sign On instance and the user is imported in this organization.

- 17 Select whether to use SAML authentication and provide the needed details.

Option	Description
No	Provides basic authentication
Yes	Provides SAML authentication

- 18 In the **Organization** text box, type the name of the organization that users can access, and click **Submit**.

- Type **System** if you want administrators to be able to run User API, Admin API, and Admin Extensions API operations in all organizations on the VMware Cloud Director instance.
- Type the name of a specific organization if you want to enable administrators to run only User API and Admin API operations in the specified organization.

- 19 Repeat [Step 4](#) through [Step 18](#) for each VMware Cloud Director instance.

## Synchronize the Time by Using the vSphere Client

To avoid possible errors, such as imported workflows returning an incorrect error message, or inventory upgrade failure, synchronize the time on the virtual machines on which the vRealize Orchestrator server, VMware Cloud Director server, and Single Sign On server are installed.

### Procedure

- 1 Configure all your ESXi hosts to synchronize with the NTP server.
  - a Navigate to **Home Hosts and Clusters** and select an ESXi host.
  - b Select the **Configure** tab.
  - c Under **System**, select **Time Configuration** and click **Edit**.

- d Click the **Use Network Time Protocol (Enable NTP Client)** radio button.
  - e From the **NTP Service Startup Policy** drop-down menu, select **Start and stop with host**.
  - f In the **NTP Servers** text box, enter the IP addresses or host names of the NTP servers that you want to use and click **OK**.
- 2 Synchronize the time on all your virtual machines.
- a Navigate to a virtual machine and right-click it.
  - b Click **Edit Settings** and, in the **VM Options** tab, click the **VMware Tools** drop-down menu.
  - c Select the **Synchronize guest time with host** check box and click **OK**.

# Using the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director Workflows

## 2

The vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director workflow library contains workflows that allow you to manage VMware Cloud Director instances and run custom VMware Cloud Director operations.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Using the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director Inventory](#)
- [Access the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director Workflow Library](#)
- [Standard User Workflows](#)
- [Admin Workflows](#)
- [Admin Extension Workflows](#)

## Using the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director Inventory

The vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director exposes all objects in the connected VMware Cloud Director instances in the **Inventory** view.

### Disabling the Inventory Update

When you develop a complex workflow, you can disable the automatic update of the list of inventory objects, to avoid performance issues.

The inventory is synchronized on each change in VMware Cloud Director. When you develop complex workflows, the frequent update of elements might cause a huge number of inventory change notifications and performance issues. You can avoid performance issues by preventing redundant inventory updates.

To disable the inventory update, you must call the `VclProfiler.enableInventoryNotifications(false)` method. The `VclProfiler.enableInventoryNotifications()` method is reference counted. To allow multiple workflows to disable or enable inventory updates when needed, you should match each call to `enableInventoryNotifications(false)` with `enableInventoryNotifications(true)`. By default, inventory updates are enabled. Disabling the inventory updates affects all users of the plug-in.

# Access the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director Workflow Library

You must use the Orchestrator client to access the elements from the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director workflow library.

The vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director workflow library contains building block workflows that allow you to run automated processes related to the management of VMware Cloud Director instances. The workflows are grouped into categories depending on their functional area. You can integrate standard workflows from the workflow library in custom workflows.

## Procedure

- 1 Log in to the vRealize Orchestrator client as an administrator.
- 2 Click the **Workflows** view.

Option	Action
Access the set of standard workflow categories	In the filter text box, enter the <b>vcloud_director</b> tags.
Access the set of administrative workflow categories	In the filter text box, enter the <b>vcloud_director</b> and the <b>Admin</b> tags.
Access the set of administrative extension workflow categories	In the filter text box, enter the <b>vcloud_director</b> , the <b>Admin</b> , and the <b>Extension</b> tags.

## Standard User Workflows

The VMware Cloud Director workflow category contains standard workflows related to VMware Cloud Director management.

## Catalog Item Workflows

The Catalog Item workflow category contains workflows related to catalog item management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director** and **catalog\_item** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a catalog item	Adds an item to a catalog. The new item can be a media file or a vApp template.
Delete a catalog item	Deletes a catalog item from a catalog.
Update a catalog item	Updates a catalog item.

## Disk Workflows

The Disk workflow category contains workflows related to disk management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director** and **disk** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Create a disk	Creates a disk.
Delete a disk	Deletes a selected disk.
Update a disk	Updates a disk.

## Entities Workflows

The Entities workflow category contains workflows related to the management of VMware Cloud Director entities.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director** and **entities** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

**Table 2-1. Workflows to List VMware Cloud Director Entities:**

Workflow Name	Description
Execute workflow from Listing of Entities	Retrieves the list of entities on a VMware Cloud Director site.
Get Entity by href	Gets a VMware Cloud Director entity by its URL.
List External networks for a VDC	Lists the external networks that belong to a virtual data center.
List Gateways for a VDC	Lists the edge gateways that belong to a virtual data center.
List Org Networks for a VDC	Lists the organization networks that belong to a virtual data center.
List Sites	Lists the multiple VMware Cloud Director sites.
List vApps for a VDC	Lists the vApps in a virtual data center.
List vDCs for a Site	Lists the virtual data centers for a specific site.
List VMs for a vApp	Lists the virtual machines in a vApp.

**Table 2-2. Integration of Listing with Existing Workflows:**

Workflow Name	Description
Suspend all vApps in a VDC	Suspends selected vApps in a virtual data center.

## Media Workflows

The Media workflow category contains workflows related to media management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director** and **media** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Clone media	Clones a media file.
Delete media	Deletes a media file.
Update media	Updates a media file.
Upload media	Uploads a media file. The uploaded media can be an ISO file or a floppy file.

## Plug-In Configuration Workflows

The Plug-in Configuration workflow category contains workflows related to VMware Cloud Director connection management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director** and **plug-in configuration** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a connection	Adds a VMware Cloud Director connection to the plug-in configuration.
Delete a connection	Deletes a VMware Cloud Director connection from the plug-in configuration.
Update a connection	Updates a VMware Cloud Director connection in the plug-in configuration.

## REST Client Workflows

The REST Client workflows execute on VMware Cloud Director entities and interact with VMware Cloud Director REST APIs and vCloud OpenAPIs.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director** and **REST\_Client** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Convert to XML using REST Client	Converts vCloud Object to XML.
Execute REST Client	Runs vCloud REST APIs or vCloud OpenAPIs.  <b>Note</b> vCloud OpenAPI uses JSON serialization only. To invoke the vCloud OpenAPI, enter <b>application/json</b> in the Content Type text box.
Org Associations	Establishes bidirectional association between two organizations.
Suspend a vApp with REST Client	Suspends a vApp with vCloud REST APIs.

## Task Workflows

The Task workflow category contains workflows related to task management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director** and **task** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Wait for a task	Waits for a task to be completed.

## vApp Workflows

The vApp workflow category contains workflows related to vApp management tasks such as cloning a vApp, adding a vApp network, enabling maintenance mode for it, and so on.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director** and **vApp** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a vApp network	Adds a vApp network
Add a vApp template virtual machine	Adds a virtual machine to a vApp from a template.
Add a vApp template virtual machine without resetting network section	Adds a virtual machine to a vApp without resetting its network section.
Add a vApp virtual machine	Adds a virtual machine to a vApp.
Add a vApp with a new virtual machine	Adds a vApp containing a single virtual machine.
Capture a vApp	Captures a vApp as a vApp template.
Clone a vApp	Clones a vApp.
Compose a vApp	Composes a vApp from vApp or virtual machine templates.
Delete a vApp	Deletes a vApp.
Delete a vApp network	Deletes a vApp network.
Download a vApp	Downloads a vApp to a local file system.
Enable maintenance mode	Enables or disables the maintenance mode for a vApp.
Rename a vApp	Renames a vApp.
Share a vApp	Updates the sharing configuration of a vApp.
Update a vApp	Updates a vApp.

## vApp Custom Properties Workflows

The Custom Properties workflow category contains workflows related to vApp custom parameter management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, and **custom\_properties** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a custom parameter	Adds a custom parameter to the vApp product section.
Modify a vApp custom parameter value	Modifies a vApp's custom parameter.
Remove a custom parameter from a vApp	Removes a custom parameter from a vApp.

## Network Workflows

The Network workflow category contains workflows related to network configuration management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, **Network**, and **Config** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add an organization vDC network to a vApp	Adds an organization vDC network to a vApp.
Fence vApp networks	Sets the bridged network configuration to NAT-routed and disables the firewall service.

You can access the DHCP workflow by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, **Network**, **Config**, and **DHCP** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Set up a DHCP service	Sets up a DHCP service on a vApp network.

You can access the Firewall workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, **network**, **config**, and **firewall** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a firewall rule	Adds a firewall rule to the firewall service on a vApp network.
Clear firewall rules	Clears all firewall rules of the firewall service on a vApp network.
Set up a firewall service	Sets up a firewall service on a vApp network.

You can access the NAT workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, **network**, **config**, and **NAT** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a NAT rule	Adds a NAT rule to the NAT service on a vApp network.
Clear NAT rules	Clears all NAT rules of the NAT service on a vApp network.
Set up a NAT service	Sets up a NAT service on a vApp network.

You can access the Routing workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, **network**, **Config**, and **routing** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a static route	Adds a static route to the static routing service on a vApp network.
Clear static routes	Clears all static routes of a static routing service on a vApp network.
Set up a static routing service	Sets up a static routing service on a vApp network.

## vApp Power Workflows

The Power workflow category contains workflows related to vApp power management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, and **power** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Deploy a vApp	Deploys a vApp and optionally powers it on.
Discard a suspended state vApp	Discards the state of a suspended vApp.
Power off a vApp	Powers off a vApp. Does not free the resources reserved for the vApp.
Power on a vApp	Powers on a vApp.
Reboot a vApp	Sends a notification to the vApp's guest virtual machines to reboot.
Reset a vApp	Resets a vApp.
Shut down a vApp	Sends a notification to the vApp's guest virtual machines to shut down.
Suspend a vApp	Suspends a vApp. Does not free the resources reserved for the vApp.
Undeploy a vApp	Stops or suspends a vApp and frees the resources reserved for the vApp.

## vApp Snapshot Workflows

The Snapshot workflow category contains workflows related to vApp snapshot management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, and **snapshot** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Create a snapshot	Creates a vApp snapshot.
Remove all snapshots	Removes all vApp snapshots.
Revert to current snapshot	Reverts to the current vApp snapshot.

## Storage Profile Workflows

The Storage Profile workflow category contains workflows related to storage profile management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, and **storage\_Profile** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Deploy vApp and set storage profile	Deploys a vApp and sets its storage profile.
Deploy VM and set storage profile	Deploys a virtual machine and sets its storage profile.
Update all vApp VM storage profiles	Updates the storage profile of all virtual machines in a vApp.
Update disk storage profile	Updates the storage profile of a virtual machine disk.
Update VM storage profile	Updates the storage profile of a virtual machine.

## VM Workflows

The VM workflow category contains workflows related to virtual machine management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vCloud\_Director**, **vApp**, and **VM** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Delete a virtual machine	Deletes a virtual machine.
Eject media	Ejects media from a virtual machine.
Insert media	Inserts media into a virtual machine.
Rename a virtual machine	Renames a virtual machine.
Wire a virtual machine network	Connects a virtual machine's NIC with a vApp network and assigns IP properties to the NIC.

## VM CPU Workflows

The CPU workflow category contains workflows related to virtual machine CPU management.

You can access the workflow by entering the **vCloud\_Director**, **vApp**, **VM**, and **CPU** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Change the number of CPUs	Changes the number of CPUs of a virtual machine.

## VM Custom Properties Workflows

The Custom Properties workflow category contains workflows related to virtual machine custom parameter management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, **VM**, and **custom\_properties** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a custom parameter to a virtual machine	Adds a custom parameter to a vApp product section.
Modify the custom parameter value for a virtual machine	Modifies a virtual machine's custom parameter.
Remove a custom parameter from a virtual machine	Removes a custom parameter from a virtual machine.

## VM Guest Customization Workflows

The Guest Customization workflow category contains workflows related to virtual machine guest customization.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, **VM**, and **guest\_customization** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Change computer name	Changes the computer name of a virtual machine.
Customize guest OS	Customizes the computer name and SID.

Workflow Name	Description
Force Guest Customization	Forces customization of guest OS of a virtual machine.
Reload from VC	Reloads a virtual machine from the vCenter Server.

## VM Hard Disk Workflows

The Hard Disk workflow category contains workflows related to virtual machine hard disk management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, **VM**, and **hard\_disk** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a hard disk	Adds a hard disk to a virtual machine.
Attach a hard disk	Attaches a hard disk to a virtual machine.
Change hard disk capacity	Changes a virtual machine's hard disk capacity.
Detach a hard disk	Detaches a hard disk from a virtual machine.
Remove a hard disk	Removes a hard disk from a virtual machine.

## VM Memory Workflows

The Memory workflow category contains workflows related to virtual machine memory management.

You can access the workflow by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, **VM**, and **memory** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Change memory capacity	Changes the memory capacity of a virtual machine.

## VM Metric Workflows

The Metric workflow category contains workflows related to virtual machine metrics retrieval.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, **VM**, and **metric** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Retrieve CurrentUsage of a vApp VM	Retrieves the current usage metrics of a virtual machine in a vApp.
Retrieve CurrentUsage of vApp VM using Spec	Retrieves the current usage metrics of a virtual machine in a vApp using specification.
Retrieve HistoricUsage of vApp VM	Retrieves the past usage metrics of a virtual machine in a vApp.
Retrieve HistoricUsage of vApp VM using Spec	Retrieves the past usage metrics of a virtual machine in a vApp using specification.

## VM NIC Workflows

The NIC workflow category contains workflows related to virtual machine NIC management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, **VM**, and **NIC** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a NIC	Add a NIC to a virtual machine.
Remove a NIC	Removes a NIC from a virtual machine.
Update virtual machine MAC address	Changes the MAC address of a virtual machine.
Update virtual machine MAC and IP addresses	Changes the NICs MAC addresses and updates the IP for network cards with a pool allocation mode.

## VM Power Workflows

The Power workflow category contains workflows related to virtual machine power management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, **VM**, and **power** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Deploy a virtual machine	Deploys a virtual machine and optionally powers it on.
Discard a suspended state virtual machine	Discards the state of a suspended virtual machine.
Power off a virtual machine	Powers off a virtual machine. Does not free the resources reserved for the virtual machine.
Power on a virtual machine	Powers on a virtual machine.
Reboot a virtual machine	Sends a notification to the virtual machine guest operating system to reboot.
Reset a virtual machine	Resets a virtual machine.
Shut down a virtual machine	Sends a notification to the virtual machine guest operating system to shut down.
Suspend a virtual machine	Suspends a virtual machine. Does not free the resources reserved for the virtual machine.
Undeploy a virtual machine	Stops or suspends a virtual machine and frees the resources reserved for the virtual machine.

## VM Screen Workflows

The Screen workflow category contains workflows related to virtual machine screen management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, **VM**, and **screen** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Acquire a ticket	Acquires a ticket for the remote console of a virtual machine.
Get a thumbnail	Gets a screenshot of a virtual machine's desktop.

## VM Snapshot Workflows

The Snapshot workflow category contains workflows related to virtual machine snapshot management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp**, **VM**, and **snapshot** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Create a snapshot	Creates a virtual machine snapshot.
Remove all snapshots	Removes all virtual machine snapshots.
Revert to current snapshot	Reverts to the current virtual machine snapshot.

## vApp Template Workflows

The vApp Template workflow category contains workflows related to vApp template management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, and **vApp\_template** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Clone a vApp template	Clones a vApp template.
Delete a vApp template	Deletes a vApp template.
Download a vApp template	Downloads a vApp template as an OVF.
Instantiate a vApp template	Instantiates a vApp template as a vApp.
Update a vApp template	Updates a vApp template.
Upload a vApp template	Uploads an OVF as a vApp template.
Upload a vApp Template to Catalog	Uploads an OVF as a vApp template to a catalog.

## VM Workflows

The VM workflow category contains workflows related to management of virtual machines in a vApp template.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **vApp\_template**, and **VM** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Retrieve VirtualHardware Section and RASD item elements for vApp Template VM	Retrieves the Virtual Hardware Section and RASD item elements for a vApp Template VM.

## vDC Workflows

The vDC workflow category contains workflows related to vDC management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, and **vDC** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Delete a vDC	Deletes a virtual data center.
Update a vDC	Updates a virtual data center.

## Admin Workflows

The Admin workflow category contains workflows related to VMware Cloud Director administrative management.

## Catalog Workflows

The Catalog workflow category contains workflows related to catalog management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, and **catalog** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a catalog	Adds a catalog to an organization.
Delete a catalog	Deletes a catalog.
Publish a catalog	Publishes or unpublishes a catalog to all organizations external to the catalog's organization.
Share a catalog	Updates the sharing configuration of a catalog.
Update a catalog	Updates a catalog.

## Group Workflows

The Group workflow category contains workflows related to group management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, and **group** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Delete a group	Deletes a group.
Import a group	Imports a group from the configured directory service to an organization.
Update a group	Updates a group.

## Organization Workflows

The Organization workflow category contains workflows related to organization management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, and **organization** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add an organization	Adds an organization to a VMware Cloud Director instance.
Delete an organization	Deletes an organization.

Workflow Name	Description
Enable an organization	Enables an organization.
Update an organization	Updates an organization.

## Certificate Workflows

The Certificate workflow category contains workflows related to certificate management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **organization**, and **certificate** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Regenerate Federation Certificate	Regenerates a federation certificate.

## Role Workflows

The Role workflow category contains workflows related to role management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, and **role** tags in the Workflow filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a role	Adds a role to a VMware Cloud Director instance.
Delete a role	Deletes a role.
Update a role	Updates a role.

## User Workflows

The User workflow category contains workflows related to user management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, and **user** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a user	Adds a user to an organization or imports it from LDAP.
Delete a user	Deletes a user.
Enable a user	Enables or disables a user.
Take Ownership	Takes ownership of a user.
Update a user	Updates a user.

## vDC Workflows

The vDC workflow category contains workflows related to virtual data center (VDC) management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, and **VDC** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a vDC	Adds a vDC to an organization.
Add a VM Affinity rule	Adds a VM affinity rule.
Delete a vDC	Deletes a vDC.
Delete a VM Affinity rule	Deletes a VM affinity rule.
Enable a vDC	Enables a vDC.
Retrieve a list of VM Affinity rules	Retrieves a list of VM affinity rules.
Retrieve a VM Affinity rule	Retrieves a VM affinity rule.
Update a vDC	Updates a vDC.
Update a VM Affinity rule	Updates a VM affinity rule.

## vDC Gateway Workflows

The Gateway workflow category contains workflows related to vDC edge gateway management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **VDC**, and **gateway** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a gateway	Adds a gateway to a virtual data center.
Convert to Advanced Gateway	Converts a legacy gateway to an advanced gateway.
Delete a gateway	Deletes a gateway from a virtual data center.
Enable Gateway SSH status	Enables gateway SSH status.
Modify from Factor	Modifies a gateway configuration.
Reapply services	Reapplies services to a gateway.
Redeploy a gateway	Redeploys a gateway in a virtual data center.
Set SSH settings	Sets SSH settings of a gateway.
Update a gateway	Updates a gateway within a virtual data center.

## Network Configuration Workflows

The Configuration workflow category contains workflows related to network configuration.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vCloud\_director**, **admin**, **VDC**, **gateway**, and **config** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a gateway interface	Adds a new interface to a gateway.

You can access the Network CA Certificates workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **VDC**, **gateway**, **config**, **certificates**, and **CA** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Create a CA Certificate	Creates a CA certificate for a gateway.
Delete a CA Certificate	Deletes a CA certificate for a gateway.

You can access the Network CRL Certificates workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **VDC**, **gateway**, **config**, **certificates**, and **CRL** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Create a CRL Certificate	Creates a CRL certificate for a gateway.
Delete a CRL Certificate	Deletes a CRL certificate for a gateway.

You can access the Network CSR Certificates workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **VDC**, **gateway**, **config**, **certificates**, and **CSR** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Create a CSR Certificate	Creates a CSR certificate for a gateway.
Create a Signed Certificate	Creates a signed certificate for a gateway.
Delete a CSR Certificate	Delete a CSR certificate for a gateway.
Delete a Self Signed CSR Certificate	Deletes a self-signed CSR certificate for a gateway.
Self Sign a CSR Certificate	Creates a self-signed CSR certificate for a gateway.

You can access the Network Service Certificates workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **VDC**, **gateway**, **config**, **certificates**, and **service** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Create a Service Certificate	Creates a service certificate for a gateway.
Delete a Service Certificate	Deletes a service certificate for a gateway.

You can access the DHCP workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **VDC**, **gateway**, **config**, and **DHCP** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Enable a DHCP service	Enables or disables the DHCP service on a gateway.
Set up a DHCP service	Sets up a DHCP service on a gateway.
Update DHCP Relay Configuration	Updates DHCP Relay Configuration for a gateway.

You can access the DHCP bindings workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **VDC**, **gateway**, **config**, **DHCP**, and **bindings** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a DHCP binding	Adds a DHCP binding for a gateway.
Delete a DHCP binding	Deletes a DHCP binding for a gateway.
Edit a DHCP binding	Edits a DHCP binding for a gateway.

You can access the DHCP pools workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **VDC**, **Gateway**, **config**, **DHCP**, and **pools** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a DHCP pool	Adds a DHCP pool for a gateway.
Delete a DHCP pool	Deletes a DHCP pool for a gateway.
Edit a DHCP pool	Edits a DHCP pool for a gateway.

You can access the Firewall workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **VDC**, **gateway**, **config**, and **firewall** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a firewall rule	Adds a firewall rule to the firewall service on a gateway.
Clear firewall rules	Clears all firewall rules of the firewall service on a gateway.
Delete a firewall rule	Deletes a firewall rule.
Edit a firewall rule	Edits a firewall rule.
Enable or disable a firewall rule	Enables or disables a firewall rule.
Set up a firewall service	Sets up a firewall service on a gateway.

You can access the NAT workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **VDC**, **gateway**, **config**, and **NAT** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a NAT rule	Adds a NAT rule to the NAT service on a gateway.
Add a NAT rule [9.1]	Adds a NAT rule to a legacy/advanced gateway.
Clear NAT rules	Clears all NAT rules of the NAT service on a gateway.
Delete a NAT rule [9.1]	Deletes a NAT rule for a legacy/advanced gateway.
Edit a NAT rule [9.1]	Edits a NAT rule for a legacy/advanced gateway.
Enable a NAT service	Enables or disables a NAT service on a gateway.
Enable or Disable NAT rule	Enables or disables a NAT rule.
Enable or Disable NAT rule logging	Enables or disables NAT rule logging.
Set up a NAT service	Sets up a NAT service on a gateway.

You can access the Routing workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **VDC**, **gateway**, **config**, and **routing** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a static route	Adds a static route to the static routing service on a gateway.
Clear static routes	Clears all static routes of a static routing service on a gateway.
Enable a static routing service	Enables or disables the routing service on a gateway.
Set up a static routing service	Sets up a static routing service on a gateway.

You can access the VPN workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **VDC**, **gateway**, **config**, and **VPN** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a VPN endpoint	Adds a VPN endpoint to the VPN service on a gateway.
Add a VPN tunnel	Adds a VPN tunnel to the VPN service on a gateway.
Clear VPN tunnels	Clears all VPN tunnels of the VPN service on a gateway.
Set up a VPN service	Sets up a VPN service on a gateway.

## vDC Syslog Server Workflows

The vDC Syslog Server workflow category contains workflows related to vDC syslog server management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **VDC**, and **syslog\_server** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Set Tenant Syslog Server	Sets the tenant syslog server for a gateway.
Sync Syslog Server	Synchronizes the syslog server for a gateway.

## vDC Network Workflows

The VDC Network workflow category contains workflows related to organization network management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **Admin**, **VDC**, and **network** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add an organization vDC network	Adds an organization vDC network to a virtual data center.
Delete an organization vDC network	Deletes a network within a virtual data center.
Update an organization vDC network	Updates a network within a virtual data center.

## vDC Storage Profile Workflows

The Storage profile workflow category contains workflows related to storage profile management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **VDC**, and **storage\_profile** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a storage profile	Adds a storage profile to a virtual data center.
Delete a storage profile	Deletes a storage profile from a virtual data center.
Update a storage profile	Updates a storage profile within a virtual data center.

## Admin Extension Workflows

The Extension workflow category contains workflows related to VMware Cloud Director administrative extensions management.

### Global Catalog Settings Workflows

The Global Catalog Settings workflow category contains workflows related to global catalog settings management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **extension**, and **global\_catalog\_settings** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Synchronization Configuration	Enables synchronization of catalogs with external sources.

### Notification Workflows

The Notifications workflow category contains workflows related to notification management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **extension**, and **notifications** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Configure blocking tasks	Configures the blocking tasks settings of a VMware Cloud Director instance.
Enable notifications	Enables or disables notifications from a VMware Cloud Director instance.
Set up an AMQP broker	Configures the AMQP broker settings for a given VMware Cloud Director instance.

### VIM Server Workflows

The VIM Server workflow category contains workflows related to vCenter Server management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **extension**, and **VIM\_Server** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Import a virtual machine as a vApp	Imports a virtual machine from an available vCenter Server as a vApp.
Import a virtual machine as a vApp template	Imports a virtual machine from an available vCenter Server as a vApp template.
Import a virtual machine into a vApp	Imports a virtual machine from an available vCenter Server instance into an existing vApp.
Reconnect to a vCenter Server instance	Tries to force a reconnection to a vCenter Server instance from its VMware Cloud Director host.
Register a vCenter Server instance	Registers a vCenter Server instance to a VMware Cloud Director instance.
Unregister a vCenter Server instance	Unregisters a vCenter Server instance.
Update a vCenter Server instance	Updates a vCenter Server instance.

## VMW Datastore Workflows

The VMW Datastore workflow category contains workflows related to datastore management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **extension**, and **VMW\_datastore** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Enable a datastore	Enables or disables a datastore.

## VMW Network Pool Workflows

The VMW Network Pool workflow category contains workflows related to network pool management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **extension**, **VMW\_network\_pool** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a network pool	Adds a network pool to a VMware Cloud Director instance.
Delete a network pool	Deletes a network pool.
Update a network pool	Updates a network pool.

## VMW Provider Network Workflows

The VMW Provider Network workflow category contains workflows related to provider network management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **extension**, and **VMW\_provider\_network** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add an external network	Adds an external network to a VMware Cloud Director instance.
Add an IP scope	Adds an IP scope to an external network.
Delete an external network	Deletes an external network.
Update an external network	Updates an external network.

## VMW Provider vDC Workflows

The VMW Provider vDC workflow category contains workflows related to provider vDC management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **admin**, **extension**, and **VMW\_provider\_vdc** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Add a provider vDC	Adds a provider vDC to a VMware Cloud Director instance.
Add a resource pool to a provider vDC	Adds a resource pool to a provider vDC.
Delete a provider vDC	Deletes a provider vDC.
Enable a provider vDC	Enables or disables a provider vDC.
Enable a resource pool	Enables or disables a resource pool visible for a provider vDC.
Remove a resource pool from an ESX provider vDC	Removes a resource pool from a provider vDC.
Update a provider vDC	Updates a provider vDC.

## VMW VdcTemplate Workflows

The VMW Vdc Template workflow category contains workflows related to VMW Vdc Template management.

You can access these workflows by entering the **vcloud\_director**, **extension**, and **VMW\_vDCTemplate** tags in the Workflows filter text box.

Workflow Name	Description
Delete a VdcTemplate	Deletes a VdcTemplate.
Update a VdcTemplate	Updates a VdcTemplate.

# vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director Scripting API

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The vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director scripting API contains classes, with their respective attributes and methods, that allow interaction between vRealize Orchestrator and VMware Cloud Director. The scripting API maps the classes of the vCloud API to Orchestrator JavaScript classes that you can use to develop custom Orchestrator workflows that interact with VMware Cloud Director.

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## API Categories

The main categories of VMware Cloud Director API classes are User API, Admin API, and Admin Extensions API. With the User API, you can perform basic tasks. The Admin API adds administrative capabilities. With the Admin Extensions API, you can manage components of the VMware virtual infrastructure.

The vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director supports vCloud API versions 29.0, 30.0, 31.0, 32.0, and 33.0. For more information, see *vCloud API Programming Guide for Service Providers*.

## User API

User API classes are typically readable by all users, and can be modified by users with appropriate rights.

With the User API, you can examine organizations and virtual data centers (vDCs). You can create vApps in the organizations and in vDCs, and manage the created vApps. You can control vApp networks and create vApp templates and media files, such as ISO and floppy images. You can store vApp templates and media files in catalogs for easy access and sharing between organizations and vDCs.

## Admin API

Admin API classes are typically readable by all users. However, only a system administrator, an organization administrator, or another user with administrative rights can create and modify them.

With the Admin API, you can administrate and create organizations, vDCs, organization networks, and authorization entities, such as roles, rights, users, and groups. You can create, delete, and modify a catalog of templates and media files.

## Admin Extensions API

Admin Extensions API classes can be created and modified only by a system administrator.

The Admin Extensions API is specific to VMware. With the Admin Extensions API, you can manage entities such as provider vDCs, network pools, and vCenter Server instances.

# Access the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director API

Orchestrator provides an API Explorer to allow you to search the vRealize Orchestrator Plug-in for VMware Cloud Director API and see the documentation for JavaScript objects that you can use in scripted elements.

### Procedure

- 1 Log in to the Orchestrator client and click **API Explorer**.
- 2 To expand the hierarchical list of VMware Cloud Director plug-in API objects, double-click the **vCloud** module in the left pane.

### What to do next

You can copy code from API elements and paste it into scripting boxes. For more information about API scripting, see *Developing with VMware vRealize Orchestrator*.

## Using Generic Queries

When you use generic queries, such as `QueryService.queryRecords` and `QueryService.queryIdRecords`, you must use specific query types and field types to get the appropriate result record types.

The following table lists the expected query types, field types, and record result types when working with generic queries.

VclQueryRecordType Value and Query Fields Enumeration Type	Query Result Record Type
ADMINALLOCATEDEXTERNALADDRESS VclQueryAdminAllocatedExternalAddressField	VclQueryResultAdminAllocatedExternalAddressRecord
ADMINCATALOG VclQueryAdminCatalogField	VclQueryResultAdminCatalogRecord
ADMINCATALOGITEM VclQueryAdminCatalogItemField	VclQueryResultAdminCatalogItemRecord
ADMINGROUP VclQueryAdminGroupField	VclQueryResultAdminGroupRecord
ADMINMEDIA VclQueryAdminMediaField	VclQueryResultAdminMediaRecord
ADMINORGNETWORK VclQueryAdminOrgNetworkField	VclQueryResultAdminOrgNetworkRecord
ADMINORGVDC VclQueryAdminVdcField	VclQueryResultAdminVdcRecord
ADMINSHADOWVM VclQueryAdminShadowVMField	VclQueryResultAdminShadowVMRecord
ADMINTASK VclQueryAdminTaskField	VclQueryResultAdminTaskRecord
ADMINUSER VclQueryAdminUserField	VclQueryResultAdminUserRecord
ADMINVAPP VclQueryAdminVAppField	VclQueryResultAdminVAppRecord
ADMINVAPPNETWORK VclQueryAdminVAppNetworkField	VclQueryResultAdminVAppNetworkRecord
ADMINVAPPTEMPLATE VclQueryAdminVAppTemplateField	VclQueryResultAdminVAppTemplateRecord
ADMINVM VclQueryAdminVMField	VclQueryResultAdminVMRecord
ALLOCATEDEXTERNALADDRESS VclQueryAllocatedExternalAddressField	VclQueryResultAllocatedExternalAddressRecord
BLOCKINGTASK VclQueryBlockingTaskField	VclQueryResultBlockingTaskRecord
CATALOG VclQueryCatalogField	VclQueryResultCatalogRecord
CATALOGITEM VclQueryCatalogItemField	VclQueryResultCatalogItemRecord
CELL VclQueryCellField	VclQueryResultCellRecord

<b>VclQueryRecordType Value and Query Fields Enumeration Type</b>	<b>Query Result Record Type</b>
DATASTORE VclQueryDatastoreField	VclQueryResultDatastoreRecord
DATSTOREPROVIDERVDCRELATION VclQueryDatastoreProviderVdcRelationField	VclQueryResultDatastoreProviderVdcRelationRecord
DVSWITCH VclQueryDvSwitchField	VclQueryResultDvSwitchRecord
EVENT VclQueryEventField	VclQueryResultEventRecord
EXTERNALNETWORK VclQueryNetworkField	VclQueryResultNetworkRecord
GROUP VclQueryGroupField	VclQueryResultGroupRecord
HOST VclQueryHostField	VclQueryResultHostRecord
MEDIA VclQueryMediaField	VclQueryResultMediaRecord
NETWORKPOOL VclQueryNetworkPoolField	VclQueryResultNetworkPoolRecord
ORGANIZATION VclQueryOrgField	VclQueryResultOrgRecord
ORGNETWORK VclQueryOrgNetworkField	VclQueryResultOrgNetworkRecord
ORGVDC VclQueryOrgVdcField	VclQueryResultOrgVdcRecord
ORGVDCRESOURCEPOOLRELATION VclQueryOrgVdcResourcePoolRelationField	VclQueryResultOrgVdcResourcePoolRelationRecord
PORTGROUP VclQueryPortgroupField	VclQueryResultPortgroupRecord
PROVIDERVDC VclQueryVMWProviderVdcField	VclQueryResultVMWProviderVdcRecord
PROVIDERVDCRESOURCEPOOLRELATION VclQueryProviderVdcResourcePoolRelationField	VclQueryResultProviderVdcResourcePoolRelationRecord
RESOURCEPOOL VclQueryResourcePoolField	VclQueryResultResourcePoolRecord
RIGHT VclQueryRightField	VclQueryResultRightRecord
ROLE VclQueryRoleField	VclQueryResultRoleRecord

VclQueryRecordType Value and Query Fields Enumeration Type	Query Result Record Type
STRANDEDUSER VclQueryStrandedUserField	VclQueryResultStrandedUserRecord
TASK VclQueryTaskField	VclQueryResultTaskRecord
USER VclQueryUserField	VclQueryResultUserRecord
VAPP VclQueryVAppField	VclQueryResultVAppRecord
VAPPNETWORK VclQueryVAppNetworkField	VclQueryResultVAppNetworkRecord
VAPPORGNETWORKRELATION VclQueryVAppOrgNetworkRelationField	VclQueryResultVAppOrgNetworkRelationRecord
VAPPTEMPLATE VclQueryVAppTemplateField	VclQueryResultVAppTemplateRecord
VIRTUALCENTER VclQueryVirtualCenterField	VclQueryResultVirtualCenterRecord
VM VclQueryVMField	VclQueryResultVMRecord

## Using Non-Generic Queries

When you use non-generic queries, the name of the query method determines the result record type.

### Example: Records Returned by Non-Generic Queries

The following are examples of records returned by non-generic queries.

- `queryVmRecords` returns records of type `VclQueryResultVMRecord`.
- `queryvAppRecords` returns records of type `VclQueryResultVAppRecord`.

### Example: Enumeration Types for Query Filter Creation

The following are examples of enumeration types that should be used when creating a query filter.

- `queryVmRecords` accepts fields of type `VclQueryVMField`.
- `queryvAppRecords` accepts fields of type `VclQueryVAppField`.

## Decorator Objects

Decorator objects hide the complexity of the VMware Cloud Director REST API.

Decorators provide an easy-to-use interface to the VMware Cloud Director REST API when working with data collections and data objects. Decorators manipulate live object or collection instances. For example, every modification of a collection affects the container object.

## VclAbstractRecordResultSet Decorator

The `VclAbstractRecordResultSet` decorator object makes the manipulation of generic query record results easier. This decorator provides methods for getting records of the expected type, as well as navigating between record result pages.

## VclRecordResultSet Decorator

The `VclRecordResultSet` decorator object makes the manipulation of specific query record results easier. This decorator provides methods for getting records of a predefined type, as well as navigating between record result pages.

## VclReferenceResultSet Decorator

The `VclReferenceResultSet` decorator object makes the manipulation of generic or specific query reference results easier. This decorator provides methods for getting object references, as well as navigating between reference result pages.

## Scripting Examples

You can cut, paste, and adapt the JavaScript examples to help you write scripts for common VMware Cloud Director tasks.

For more information about scripting, see the *Developing with VMware vRealize Orchestrator*.

### Example: Get Records for All Enabled Organizations

The following JavaScript example uses the `AdminQueryService` object to get records for all enabled organizations on a given VMware Cloud Director instance.

```
var host = ...
var queryService = host.toAdminObject().getAdminQueryService();

var expression = new VclExpression(VclQueryOrgField.ISEENABLED, "true",
VclExpressionType.EQUALS);
var filter = new VclFilter(expression);
var params = new VclQueryParams();
params.setFilter(filter);

var resultSet = queryService.queryOrgRecords(params);
while (resultSet != null) {
    // the records should be of type related to the query
    // in this case the type is VclQueryResultOrgRecord
    var records = resultSet.getRecords();
    System.log(records.length + " records found");
    for (var i = 0; i < records.length; i++) {
        System.log(records[i].name);
    }
}
```

```

    }
    if (resultSet.hasNextPage()) {
        resultSet = resultSet.getNextPage();
    } else {
        break;
    }
}

```

## Example: Get References to All Enabled Organizations

The following JavaScript example uses the `AdminQueryService` object to get references to all enabled organizations on a given VMware Cloud Director instance.

```

var host = ...
var queryService = host.toAdminObject().getAdminQueryService();

var expression = new VclExpression(VclQueryOrgField.ISEENABLED, "true",
VclExpressionType.EQUALS);
var filter = new VclFilter(expression);
var params = new VclQueryParams();
params.setFilter(filter);

var resultSet = queryService.queryOrgReferences(params);
while (resultSet != null) {
    // the type of the references is predefined - VclReference
    var references = resultSet.getReferences();
    System.log(references.length + " references found");
    for (i = 0; i < references.length; i++) {
        System.log(references[i].href);
    }
    if (resultSet.hasNextPage()) {
        resultSet = resultSet.getNextPage();
    } else {
        break;
    }
}

```

## Example: Get Records for All Virtual Machines Inside a vApp

The following JavaScript example uses the `QueryService` object to get records for all virtual machines inside a vApp.

```

var vapp = ...

var queryService = vapp.getHost().getQueryService();

var expression = new VclExpression(VclQueryVMField.CONTAINER, vapp.getReference().href,
VclExpressionType.EQUALS);
var filter = new VclFilter(expression);
var params = new VclQueryParams();
params.setFilter(filter);

var resultSet = queryService.queryRecords(VclQueryRecordType.ADMINVM, params);

```

```

while (resultSet != null) {
    var records = resultSet.getRecords(new VclQueryResultAdminVMRecord());
    System.log(records.length + " records found");
    for (i = 0; i < records.length; i++) {
        System.log(records[i].name);
    }
    if (resultSet.hasNextPage()) {
        resultSet = resultSet.getNextPage();
    } else {
        break;
    }
}

```

## Example: Resume a Blocking Task Related to a vApp Deployment Notification

With the following JavaScript example, you can resume a blocking task related to a vApp deployment notification.

```

var host = ...
var message = ...

var helper = new VclNotificationHelper();
helper.setMessage(message);

if (helper.getNotificationEventType() == VclEventType.VAPP_DEPLOY) {
    var vappLink = helper.getEntityLink();
    var vapp = host.getEntityById(vappLink.type, vappLink.id);
    // do something with the vApp ...

    if (helper.isBlockingTask()) {
        var taskLink = helper.getBlockingTaskLink();
        var task = host.getEntityById(taskLink.type, taskLink.id);
        task.resume("put the resuming message here");
    }
}

```

## Example: Configure a DHCP Service on a vApp Network

With the following JavaScript example, you can configure a DHCP service on a vApp network.

```

var dhcpService = ...
var vapp = ...
var networkName = ...
var networkConfigSection = vapp.getNetworkConfigSection();
var found = false;
var existingNetworkConfigArray = networkConfigSection.networkConfig.enumerate();
for (index = 0; index < existingNetworkConfigArray.length; index++) {
    var networkConfig = existingNetworkConfigArray[index];
    if (networkConfig.networkName == networkName) {
        var networkConfiguration = networkConfig.configuration;
        if (networkConfiguration.fenceMode == VclFenceModeValuesType.BRIDGED.value) {
            throw 'Dhcp service cannot be applied to network "' + networkName + '"!';
        }
    }
}

```

```

    }
    if (networkConfiguration.features == null) {
        networkConfiguration.features = new VclNetworkFeatures();
    }
    var serviceSet = networkConfiguration.features.networkService;
    var services = serviceSet.find(new VclDhcpService());
    if (services.length > 0) {
        for (i = 0; i < services.length; i++) {
            serviceSet.remove(services[i]);
        }
    }
    serviceSet.add(dhcpService);
    found = true;
}
}
if (!found) {
    throw 'Network "' + networkName + '" does not exist!';
}
task = vapp.updateSection(networkConfigSection);

```

## Example: Configure a DHCP Service on a Gateway

With the following JavaScript example, you can configure a DHCP service on a gateway.

```

var gatewayDhcpService = ...
var gateway = ...
var gatewayConfiguration = gateway.configuration;
if (gatewayConfiguration.edgeGatewayServiceConfiguration == null) {
    gatewayConfiguration.edgeGatewayServiceConfiguration = new VclGatewayFeatures();
}
var serviceSet = gatewayConfiguration.edgeGatewayServiceConfiguration.networkService;
var services = serviceSet.find(new VclGatewayDhcpService());
if (services.length > 0) {
    for (i = 0; i < services.length; i++) {
        serviceSet.remove(services[i]);
    }
}
serviceSet.add(gatewayDhcpService);
task = gateway.update();

```

## Example: Add a VPN Endpoint

With the following JavaScript example, you can add a VPN endpoint to a gateway.

```

var vpnEndpoint = ...
var gateway = ...
var gatewayConfiguration = gateway.configuration;
if (gatewayConfiguration.edgeGatewayServiceConfiguration == null) {
    gatewayConfiguration.edgeGatewayServiceConfiguration = new
VclGatewayFeatures();
}
var serviceSet = gatewayConfiguration.edgeGatewayServiceConfiguration.networkService;
var services = serviceSet.find(new VclGatewayIpsecVpnService());
if (services.length == 0) {

```

```

        throw 'VPN service not found on gateway ' + gateway.name;
    }
    services[0].endpoint.add(vpnEndpoint);
    gateway.configuration = gatewayConfiguration;
    task = gateway.update();

```

## Example: Obtain Performance Statistics

With the following JavaScript example, you can obtain performance statistics for the VMware Cloud Director plug-in.

```

VclProfiler.enableInstanceCounters(true);
...
var instances = VclProfiler.getInstanceCount("VclReference");
System.log("references: " + instances);
...
VclProfiler.enableInstanceCounters(false);
...
var host = ...
var cacheHitCount = VclProfiler.getCacheHitCount(host);
System.log("cache hits: " + cacheHitCount);
var cacheMissCount = VclProfiler.getCacheMissCount(host);
System.log("cache misses: " + cacheMissCount);
var cacheObjCount = VclProfiler.getCacheObjectCount(host);
System.log("cache objects: " + cacheObjCount);
...

```

## Example: Get the Plug-In Version

With the following JavaScript example, you can get the plug-in version and distinguish future plug-in versions.

```

var version = VclHostManager.getVersion();
if (version == "5.5") {
    System.log("Plug-in 5.5 is installed!");
}

```

## Example: Get Entity Instance Count

With the following JavaScript example, you can get any class instance count.

```

VclProfiler.enableInstanceCounters(true);
...
var className = VclProfiler.getClassNameByFinderType(VclFinderType.HOST);
System.log(VclProfiler.getInstanceCount(className));
...
VclProfiler.enableInstanceCounters(false);

```