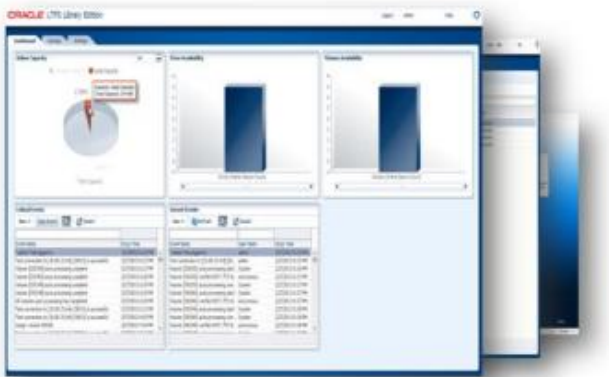


## Frequently Asked Questions StorageTek Linear Tape File System Software

### Overview

Accessing files from tape is easier than ever, with Oracle's StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition and StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Open Edition. Oracle is enabling data centers of all sizes to read and write files in a self-describing format, in much the same way files are written to disk and flash storage devices. Oracle's portfolio of linear tape file system (LTFS) offerings provides a file system interface that allows users to drag and drop files between tape cartridges and tape libraries and between tape storage and disk storage devices, without specialized, expensive tape backup or archive software.



### Customer Benefits

With StorageTek linear tape file system software, file management has never been easier, less expensive, or more open. StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition is architected to transform the way applications communicate with an entire tape library into a NAS interface, enabling

customers to leverage tape behind new applications and workflows that historically leveraged expensive spinning disk.

### Simplify File Management

Drag and drop files to and from disk storage and tape storage through standard file system interfaces: CIFS and POSIX.

### Low TCO

Expensive backup or archive software applications are no longer required to write or read data to and from tape. Files may be written or read directly from an LTFS tape by downloading a free open driver from any tape vendor. Oracle's LTFS driver is StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Open Edition, and it is the first driver to support both Oracle's StorageTek LTO and StorageTek T10000 tape drives.

### Open Technology

Files are written in an open, self-describing storage format, ideal for transporting files between two sites or organizations.

### Frequently Asked Questions

For additional resources on Oracle's StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Open Edition and StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition, please search LTFS from [Oracle.com](http://Oracle.com).

- Q:** What is the Difference between Oracle's Two LTFS Software Offerings: StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Open Edition and StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition?
- A:** StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Open Edition supports a single tape drive, while StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition supports an entire tape library with multiple tape drives.
- Q:** Can I Deploy StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition in a Virtual Environment?
- A:** StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition is supported on a dedicated server and not in a virtual environment.

**Q:** What Servers Should I Select to Host the StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition software?

**A:** The minimum requirement for the server depends primarily on the size of your tape environment. Customers with multiple, very active libraries will place more demand on the system and should consider larger servers. To help you select a server, there is a StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition sizing tool that will recommend a server configuration. For information on server sizing through this tool, please contact your Oracle sales representative.

**Q:** Can I Try the StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition Software Prior to Making a Purchasing Decision?

**A:** Yes. StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition is available for a 30-day free trial through Oracle's software delivery cloud. Please visit: <https://edelivery.oracle.com/>

**Q:** How Do I Back Up the StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition Software?

**A:** Backing up the StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition software is just like backing up any application in your environment. Utilize your standard backup software and reference the StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition Installation and Users Guide for further details.

**Q:** Can I Deploy StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition with Oracle's StorageTek Automated Cartridge System Library Software?

**A:** Yes. StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition leverages StorageTek Automated Cartridge System Library Software to communicate with the library. A restricted use license for StorageTek Automated Cartridge System

Library Software is provided at no additional cost with the purchase of a StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition license.

**Q:** Can I Deploy StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition with Oracle Secure Backup or Another Backup Application?

**A:** Yes. StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition may be deployed in a partition within a library; as long as the backup application is running in a different partition, there is no impact on the backup application sharing the library.

**Q:** Can I Deploy StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition with Oracle Hierarchical Storage Manager (Oracle HSM) or Another Archive Application?

**A:** Yes. StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition may be deployed in a partition within a library; as long as the archive application is running in a different partition, there is no impact on the archive application sharing the library.

**Q:** Is StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition Customer Installable?

**A:** Yes. StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition is designed to be installed by customers and documentation is available to assist with this process.

**Q:** What Hardware is supported by StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition?

**A:** StorageTek Linear Tape File System, Library Edition supports the Oracle StorageTek SL150 modular tape library system and StorageTek LTO drives. Please reference the StorageTek Linear Tape File System product datasheet for the most up-to-date supported hardware.



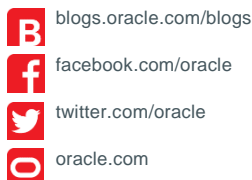
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