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Upgrade Path to CA 2.3.x

Current CA Version	Upgrade Path
2.2.x	⇒ 2.3.x (direct upgrade)
2.1.x	⇒ 2.3.x (direct upgrade)
1.3.7.x	⇒ 2.1.x ⇒ 2.3.x
All versions released before 1.3.7.x	⇒ 1.3.7.x ⇒ 2.1.x ⇒ 2.3.x

Downgrade Support

- Because of infrastructure changes introduced in CA 2.x, downgrades to 1.x are not supported; a factory reset would be required after downgrading.
- Downgrades from CA 2.3 to CA 2.2 and 2.1 are supported (with several caveats; see below).

On-Box Sandboxing Downgrade Considerations

- Any IVM profile that existed in CA 2.1 will migrate properly to CA 2.2+. If you customize an IVM profile in CA 2.2+ and then downgrade to 2.1, the profile will not work unless you set the profile password to <blank>. To do this, customize the IVM profile, open a command window, and type: net user Admin "". This can be done before or after the downgrade.
- Any IVM profiles added or imported in 2.2+ will be removed after a downgrade to 2.1. For example, if you downgrade to CA 2.1.1, you will lose any profiles that were imported from a different Content Analysis appliance.

- If you add a Windows 10 base image in 2.2+ and downgrade to 2.1, the base image and profile will be removed (since Windows 10 base images were not supported in 2.1).
- If you downgrade from CA 2.3 to 2.2, re-running tasks that used ghost_user_with_unpacker.py (a plugin added in CA 2.3) will result in undefined behavior. Symantec recommends that you remove these invalid tasks after downgrading; this applies to any tasks that use profiles and/or plugins not available in the earlier release.

Other Downgrade Considerations

- After a downgrade from CA 2.3.1 to 2.1.1, Kaspersky and Sophos AV patterns are no longer available, even after a Force Update. This problem occurs only on the CAS-S200; CAS-S500 and CAS-S400 are not impacted by this issue. This is not an issue when downgrading from CA 2.3.1 to 2.2.1. Workaround: Perform a factory reset using the restore-defaults factory-defaults CLI command. [CAS-5218]
- Some settings modified in an upgraded release may not be preserved if you later downgrade, allowing the appliance to return to its state before the upgrade. For example, if you upgrade from CA 2.2 to 2.3, add LDAP, RADIUS, or local users, and then downgrade back to CA 2.2, the users you added in CA 2.3 are not listed in the 2.2 configuration. This is expected behavior when downgrading.

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