



Server Automation Alert: SHA1 Deprecation

Software version: 9.1x, 10.0x, 10.1x, 10.2x (Enterprise or Ultimate editions of SA); SAVA (Standard or Premium editions)

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Issue that Requires Attention

SHA1 Deprecation

<https://community.qualys.com/blogs/securitylabs/2014/09/09/sha1-deprecation-what-you-need-to-know>

Certificates used by secure websites are signed using hashing algorithms. SHA1 is one such hashing algorithm. Feasibility of breaking SHA1 has increased in the recent past and can lead to potential exposure of secure communication. Microsoft, Google and Mozilla have recently announced they won't be accepting SHA1 certificates post 2016.

HPE has investigated this vulnerability in relation to Server Automation (SA). SA creates self-signed certificates using SHA1 algorithm during installation. They are used for secure communication between various components of SA and communication with clients. HPE recommends that you perform the mitigating actions described in the next section.

Immediate Mitigation

1. Existing SA meshes can be converted to SHA256 only by a full core recertification. Detailed steps on recertification process is listed in SA Administration Guide - SA Core Recertification section.

Note that on SA versions 10.10 - 10.22, a Patch (Rollup hot fix) has to be deployed before being able to use the SHA256 signing algorithm option for recertification (QCCR1D219041). In 10.23 and later there is no need for this Patch.

Older SA versions (10.0x and 9.1x) must be upgraded before attempting a core recertification with SHA256. Upgrading to 10.22 or above is preferred.

SAVA 2.0 can be upgraded to DCAA. SA in DCAA 1.1 is 10.21. Apply Patch (Rollup hot fix) of SA 10.21 and recertify the core. Migration guide for SAVA 2.0 to DCAA can be found here: <https://softwaresupport.hpe.com/group/softwaresupport/search-result/-/facetsearch/document/KM01500495>

Customers with SAVA 1.0 should also look into converting to use DCAA.

Please contact SA Support for the available Patches (Rollup hot fixes).

2. Links to Administration guides are provided in the following table.

SA Version	Administration guide download link
Server Automation 10.1x	https://softwaresupport.hpe.com/km/KM00774463/hp_man_SA_10.1_AdministrationGuide_pdf.pdf
Server Automation 10.2x	https://softwaresupport.hpe.com/km/KM01253505/hp_man_SA_10.2_AdministrationGuide_pdf.pdf
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