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**Re: [openshift-sme] OpenShift supporting OverlayFS**

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Tue, Aug 21, 2018 at 11:20 AM

Hi,

according to the docs[1], the recommendation is to use device-mapper thin pool?  
"Red Hat strongly recommends using the DeviceMapper storage driver in thin-pool mode for production workloads."

Should the docs be **upgraded/reworded**, so the recommendation is overlayFS2 (since it has better design and performance)?

[1] [https://docs.openshift.com/container-platform/3.9/scaling\\_performance/optimizing\\_storage.html#comparing-overlay-graph-drivers](https://docs.openshift.com/container-platform/3.9/scaling_performance/optimizing_storage.html#comparing-overlay-graph-drivers)

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On Fri, Aug 4, 2017 at 10:51 AM Daniel Walsh <[dwalsh@redhat.com](mailto:dwalsh@redhat.com)> wrote:

On 08/04/2017 09:46 AM, Ryan Howe wrote:

Hi,

With 7.4 we started supporting OverlayFS and OverlayFS2.

Since this is a docker storage driver I would assume that any one on 7.4 using docker 1.12 would be able to use overlayfs with OpenShift 3.4+

I don't know how we QA this but would overlayfs2 work for OpenShift 3.4+ on RHEL 7.4 without issue? Or will this only be supported in 3.6+, if yes any reason why besides we only test it with 3.6. Also do we have any data on the performance benefit using Overlayfs?

Both are supported, but you should only use overlay2, it is a better design. Upstream docker should have dropped overlay support and replaced it with overlay2. In CRI-O we have made them the same

thing.

Best,  
Ryan Howe

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Did you read the docs? <https://docs.openshift.com/container-platform/latest/welcome/index.html>

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