

Secure, Compliant Key Management for Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation Encryption: Using Thales CipherTrust Manager for centralized key and policy administration



Key Benefits:

- Meet compliance mandates such as PCI DSS, GDPR, and CCPA
- Streamline encryption management with seamless key rotation and data re-keying
- Reduce administration costs with centralized key and policy management
- Optional FIPS 140-2 Level 3 hardware security

The Problem

Container based applications' ephemeral nature promises organizations efficiency, speed, and scale. However, for applications to be of their greatest use as they spin up and down, they must have access to data that persists. Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation's (ODF) software defined storage for containers tackles this challenge so teams can develop and deploy cloud native applications quickly across clouds while giving them access to the data they need to use. Yet, when it comes to data – particularly sensitive, regulated data – security and privacy compliance become critical topics.

For these scenarios, Red Hat is teaming up with Thales to bring best-in-class security to support enterprises in their OpenShift deployments.

CipherTrust Manager For Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation

The Solution

Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation supports cluster-wide encryption for all disks and multi-cloud object gateways to protect data from both physical theft and unauthorized access from namespaces inside the same OpenShift Container Platform (OCP) cluster. When it comes to encryption, best practice and regulatory compliance dictate that organizations separate encryption keys from their encrypted data, and manage these keys throughout their lifecycle in a dedicated key manager. Thales CipherTrust Manager integrates with ODF via the Key Management Interoperability Protocol (KMIP) to meet these security and compliance requirements.

Why Use Thales CipherTrust Manager With Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation?

Combining Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation with Thales CipherTrust Manager lets organizations centrally manage the encryption keys securing their persistent sensitive data in alignment with their larger organization-wide key management strategy. Additionally, CipherTrust Manager simplifies an organization's ability to demonstrate their regulatory compliance with the data privacy rules governing their industry.

Centrally Define and Manage Policies to Separate Duties Among Users and Administrators

Administrators can set authentication and authorization policies in CipherTrust Manager that define which users and processes are allowed to access the encrypted ODF data in clear text. Organizations tighten governance of their sensitive data through these controls. Properly tuned policy-based access controls provide an important security layer for organizations subject to mandates that require clear separation of duties between IT and security administrators.

Detailed Logging Functionality for Auditing and Reporting Requirements

CipherTrust Manager records detailed data concerning key status and access in centralized logs that simplify reporting to auditors and regulators. Centralized tracking of key usage and access requests reduces blindspots and improves data security. CipherTrust Manager's reports help to streamline the compliance reporting process while strengthening security around ODF's native encryption keys.

Streamlined, Simplified Encryption Administration

Vendor provided encryption can easily turn into a collection of security silos if not managed well. CipherTrust Manager consolidates Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation's encryption keys into an easy to use management platform where organizations can manage them along with keys from a wide variety of encryption solutions including: the Thales CipherTrust Data Security Portfolio, self-encrypting drives, tape archives, Storage Area Networks, Cloud Service Provider native encryption, and an ever growing list of vendors supporting the OASIS Key Management Interoperability Protocol (KMIP) standard.

About Thales

The people you rely on to protect your privacy rely on Thales to protect their data. When it comes to data security, organizations are faced with an increasing number of decisive moments. Whether the moment is building an encryption strategy, moving to the cloud, or meeting compliance mandates, you can rely on Thales to secure your digital transformation.

Decisive technology for decisive moments.

About Red Hat

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