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Prerequisites for K3s on RHEL/CentOS/Oracle Linux



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# Prerequisites for K3s on RHEL/CentOS/Oracle Linux

## firewalld/fapolicyd

- It is recommended to disable firewalld and fapolicyd:

```
systemctl disable firewalld --now

systemctl disable fapolicyd.service
```

## nm-cloud-setup

- If enabled, it is required to disable **nm-cloud-setup** and **reboot** the node:

```
systemctl disable nm-cloud-setup.service nm-cloud-setup.timer

reboot
```

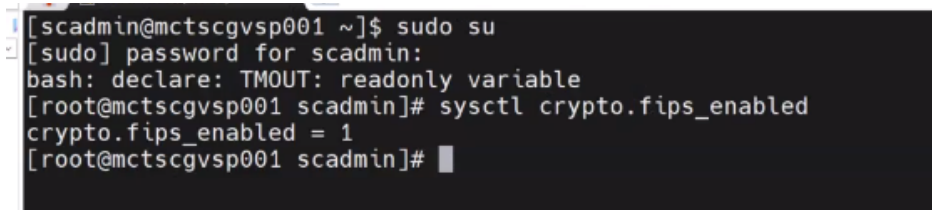
## Make sure noexec is not used for dedicated rancher partition

- If you are using a dedicated partition (`/var/lib/rancher`) to run K3s make sure to **NOT** have mounted it using **noexec** flag inside `/etc/fstab` file.

## disable fips mode

- If you have FIPS mode enabled is necessary to disable it otherwise some of our workloads running in K3s will crash at startup.
- To check if FIPS is enabled, run the following command:

```
sysctl crypto.fips_enabled
```

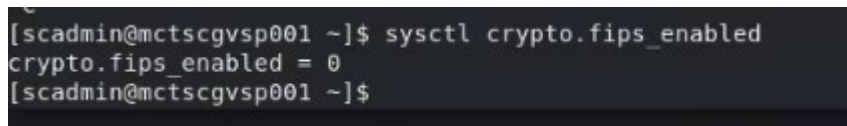


```
[scadmin@mctscgvsp001 ~]$ sudo su
[sudo] password for scadmin:
bash: declare: TMOUT: readonly variable
[root@mctscgvsp001 scadmin]# sysctl crypto.fips_enabled
crypto.fips_enabled = 1
[root@mctscgvsp001 scadmin]#
```

figure 1.

- To disable, refer to the steps as mentioned in below article:

<https://www.thegeekdiary.com/?s=fips>



```
[scadmin@mctscgvsp001 ~]$ sysctl crypto.fips_enabled
crypto.fips_enabled = 0
[scadmin@mctscgvsp001 ~]$
```

figure 2.

## iptables

RHEL like systems have buggy version of iptables 1.8.4 which is causing issues with firewall, service routing and external network reachability as well as performance issues. It is required to configure k3s to use bundled version by modifying k3s service (same for

k3s-agent service on worker nodes in HA deployments) file and adding `--prefer-bundled-bin` option to service's cmd and restarting service.

```
~$ cat /etc/systemd/system/k3s.service
```

```
ExecStart=/usr/local/bin/k3s \  
    server \  
    '--node-name=local-01' \  
    '--prefer-bundled-bin' \  
    --
```

```
~$ sudo systemctl daemon-reload
```

```
~$ sudo systemctl stop k3s
```

```
~$ sudo systemctl start k3s
```

```
~$
```

If this change is done on existing system reboot is recommended to clear duplicate iptables rules.

```
~$ sudo reboot
```

More details, see [Known Issues-K3s](#).



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