

# LVM: Extend SWAP size by growing existing Logical Volume

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# Tested on RHEL 5, 6 & 7

# Check which is the swap volume and its size

root@<server>:/#> cat /etc/fstab | grep swap
/dev/rvg/swaplv          swap          swap
defaults                0 0

root@<server>:/#> lvdisplay /dev/rvg/swaplv
--- Logical volume ---
LV Name                /dev/rvg/swaplv
VG Name                rvg
LV UUID                m0EThc-4Epd-Ecj3-lvPK-BfU0-D98H-1pgyRY
LV Write Access        read/write
LV Status              available
# open                 1
LV Size                13.69 GB
Current LE             438
Segments              1
Allocation             inherit
Read ahead sectors     auto
- currently set to     256
```

Block device 253:5

```
root@<server>:/#> free -m
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	total	used	free	shared	buffers
cached					
Mem:	11239	4556	6682	0	422
3697					
-/+ buffers/cache:		436	10802		
Swap:	14015	0			
14015				<----	

```
root@<server>:/#> cat /proc/swaps
```

Filename	Type	Size
Used Priority		
/dev/mapper/rvg-swaplv	partition	
14352376 0 -3		

# Disable swapping on LV to be resized (in our case, as we have a single LV allocated to swap, we could

# run command with '-a' flag so swapping is disabled on all known swap devices and files - as found in

# /proc/swaps or /etc/fstab)

```
# root@<server>:/#> swapoff -a
```

```
root@<server>:/#> swapoff /dev/rvg/swaplv
```

# Check that swapping has been disabled

```
root@<server>:/#> free
```

	total	used	free	shared	buffers
cached					

```
Mem:      11508864    4657932    6850932          0    432268
3786136
-/+ buffers/cache:    439528    11069336
Swap:      0          0
0          <-----
```

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# Extend swap Logical Volume (we will add 1 GB)
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# Verify that there is enough space on VG
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```
root@<server>:/#> vgdisplay /dev/rvg
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```
--- Volume group ---
VG Name                rvg
System ID
Format                 lvm2
Metadata Areas         1
Metadata Sequence No   21
VG Access               read/write
VG Status               resizable
MAX LV                 0
Cur LV                 6
Open LV                 6
Max PV                 0
Cur PV                 1
Act PV                 1
VG Size                136.50 GB
PE Size                32.00 MB
Total PE               4368
Alloc PE / Size        1718 / 53.69 GB
Free PE / Size         2650 / 82.81
GB          <-----
VG UUID                2TkcmU-Uzys-Znql-aXqx-pr2D-O8dk-oWs0lL
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# Extend LV
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```
root@<server>:/#> lvextend -L +1GB /dev/rvg/swaplv
```

```
Extending logical volume swaplv to 14.69 GB
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```
Logical volume swaplv successfully resized
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# Set up the new swap area
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```
root@<server>:/#> mkswap /dev/rvg/swaplv
```

```
Setting up swspace version 1, size = 15770578 kB
```

```
# Enable swapping on resized LV (in our case, as we have a single LV  
allocated to swap, we could
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```
# run command with '-a' flag so swapping is enabled on all known swap  
devices and files (as found
```

```
# in /proc/swaps or /etc/fstab)
```

```
# root@<server>:/#> swapon -a
```

```
root@<server>:/#> swapon /dev/rvg/swaplv
```

```
# Check final size
```

```
root@<server>:/#> free
```

	total	used	free	shared	buffers
cached					
Mem:	11508864	4664192	6844672	0	432284
3786136					
-/+ buffers/cache:		445772	11063092		

Swap: 15400952 0  
15400952 <-----

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