How to use the Volume Recovery Queue

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Applies to

- Clustered Data ONTAP 8.3+
- ONTAP 9

Description

The 'Volume Recovery Queue' is an ONTAP feature that aids in the recovery of accidentally deleted flexible volumes. It is available starting in clustered Data ONTAP 8.3.

By default, in clustered Data ONTAP 8.3 and higher, deleting a volume with a type of "RW" or "DP" (as seen in volume show output) will cause that volume to be moved to the Volume Recovery Queue. It will be retained in a recovery queue for the specified retention period. The ONTAP default retention period is 12 hours. Once the retention period is reached, a full volume delete is performed and the volume is completely destroyed and

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become non-recoverable.

Deleting a FlexGroup volume in ONTAP versions 9.1 and above will move the member or constituent volumes to the volume recovery queue until the retention period expires.

**Note:** The default behavior of `volume delete` against all other volume types remains unchanged. This includes Infinite Volumes, even if they are comprised of 'RW' volumes.

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