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Hi,

I have a question regarding the documents on NOW:

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http://now.netapp.com/NOW/knowledge/docs/ontap/rel7311/html/ontap/rnote/rel_notes/concept/c_oc_rn_lim-dp-sv-protmgr-dedupe.html

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Do not use Protection Manager 3.7 on volumes that have deduplication enabled.

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Okay, I know OM 3.7 is not aware of Dedupe. But it is still possible to do backups with dedupe enabled on the primary side.

My Customer found this and is asking if this also applies for the PM in 3.8 Version.

Additional question is...

Do we need Provisioning Manager license for future Protection Manager installs, if we want to use dedupe on primary and secondary snapvault relationship? (got something in my mind from talking with PMs)

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I think the only rationale behind that recommendation (I'd treat that as a recommendation) is explained on that page:

if snapshots exist, de-dupe will 'release' duplicate blocks & the youngest (if my memory servers OK) snapshot will be grown by exactly the same size as de-dupe 'saving'.

But this issue is not specific by any means to just Protection Manager.

Regards,

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