

The EMC PowerPath/VE trial allows you to try the product for **45** days from installation. You will need the two software components found within the PowerPath/VE trial download package:

- **PowerPath_VE_5.9.1_for_VMWARE_vSphere_Install_SW.zip**
- **PowerPath_Virtual_Appliance_1.2_P02_New_Deployment.zip**

And, you also need to download the latest versions of the following documents available on EMC.COM and on the PowerPath community:

- [PowerPath-VE-5.9-and-Minor-Releases-for-VMware-vSphere-installation-and-Administration-Guide.pdf](#)
- [PowerPath-Virtual-Appliance-1.2-Install-and-Configuration-Guide.pdf](#)
- [PowerPath-Virtual-Appliance-1.2--Administration-Guide.pdf](#)
- [PowerPath-VE-5.9-for-VMware-vSphere-Remote-CLI-Guide.pdf](#)

Start the installation procedure below after you have downloaded the documents.

Installation Procedure

A) Install PowerPath/VE

Step 1 Follow the steps in Chapter 5, “Installing PowerPath/VE” in the *PowerPath /VE Installation and Admin Guide* to install PowerPath/VE 5.9.1 on a VMware vSphere ESXi 5.x host within your test environment.

Step 2 Add the VMware vSphere host to a vCenter Server, if it is not already.

B) Install the PowerPath Virtual Appliance

Step 3 Follow the steps in Chapter 1 of the *PowerPath Virtual Appliance 1.2 Install and Configuration Guide* to install virtual appliance. Pay attention to the prerequisites within the document, e.g. a unique/dedicated IP address for the VM, an NTP server name, etc.

Step 4 Follow the steps in Chapter 2 of the *PowerPath Virtual Appliance 1.2 Administration Guide* to connect the vCenter Server managing the VMware vSphere ESXi host running PowerPath/VE 5.9.1 to the virtual appliance.

Step 5 View the “License Usage” tab in the PowerPath Virtual Appliance 1.2 Browser GUI. License Usage shows that a Trial license has been pushed to the ESXi host running PowerPath/VE 5.9.1. Information about navigating the “License Usage” tab is contained in the *PowerPath Virtual Appliance 1.2 Administration Guide*.

C) View and Manage PowerPath

Step 6 SSH (remote command line login) into the PowerPath Virtual Appliance 1.2 P02 VM and run “rpowermt” commands to view and manage the PowerPath/VE 5.9.1 host. Descriptions of these commands are available in the *PowerPath/VE 5.9 for VMware vSphere Remote CLI Guide*. Note: root credentials for the vSphere ESXi server will be needed.