

Virtual Appliance: VT800/VT800-128

Requirements and Installation Guide



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About This Document

The purpose of this document is to provide the reader with an understanding of how to install the Virtual Appliance on a supported hypervisor.

The information provided in this document is current as of Talari Adaptive Private Networking (APN) Release 7.3 GA P4.

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References

The following documents are available:

- *Talari Glossary*
- *Talari APN 7.3 P4 Release Notes*
- *Talari APN 7.3 New Features Guide*
- *Talari Aware 4.3 GA Release Notes*
- *Talari Aware 4.3 New Features Guide*

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May 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="867 548 1406 579">• Updated VT800 initial login procedure

Software and Hardware Requirements

Multiple Virtual Appliance VMs can be supported on a single, physical platform, provided each VM is supplied with sufficient dedicated resources. The following requirements are **per Virtual Appliance VM depending on the appliance model and installed license**.

VT800 Supported Hypervisors

	VMware ESXi	Microsoft Hyper-V	Microsoft Azure
Software Version	6.0 or later	Windows Server 2012 R2	VM: Standard_DS3 +, Disk: P10 +
CPU Requirements	64-Bit, 3GHz +, AES-NI, Intel CPU only	64-Bit, 3GHz +, AES-NI, Intel CPU only	64-Bit, 3GHz +, AES-NI, Intel CPU only
Special Requirements / Recommendations	DAS recommended ¹	DAS SSD recommended ¹	DAS Recommended ¹

Note: ¹ Directly Attached Storage (DAS) is recommended for all Virtual Appliances.

VT800-128 Supported Hypervisors

	VMware ESXi	Microsoft Hyper-V	Microsoft Azure
Software Version	6.5.0 or later	Windows Server 2012 R2	VM: Standard_DS3 +, Disk: P10 +
CPU Requirements	64-Bit, 3GHz +, AES-NI, Intel CPU only	64-Bit, 3GHz +, AES-NI, Intel CPU only	64-Bit, 3GHz +, AES-NI, Intel CPU only
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Virtual Machine Specifications

Platform	Appliance Model	License Level	Dedicated VCPUs ¹	RAM	Minimum Processor Ghz	Instance Type
Hyper-V	VT800	20 Mbps	2	8 GB	2.10 Ghz	
	VT800	200 Mbps	10	10 GB	2.10 Ghz	
	VT800-128	200 Mbps	10	32 GB	2.10 Ghz	
Azure	VT800	20 Mbps	4	28 GB	2.4 Ghz	D12 v2
	VT800	500 Mbps	8	56 GB	2.4 Ghz	D13 v2
	VT800-128	500 Mbps	8	56 GB	2.4 Ghz	D13 v2
ESXi	VT800	20 Mbps	2	4 GB	2.10 Ghz	
	VT800	1 Gbps	8	8 GB	2.10 Ghz	
	VT800	2 Gbps	14	16 GB	2.10 Ghz	
	VT800-128	1 Gbps	8	32 GB	2.10 Ghz	
	VT800-128	2 Gbps	14	32 GB	2.10 Ghz	

Note: ¹ For 1 Gbps and 2 Gbps license levels, Intel Xeon E7-8870v4 or better with L3 cache of 50MB or more is required for expected performance.

Additionally, all Virtual Appliances require:

- a minimum of 160 GB dedicated storage.
Note: Directly Attached Storage (DAS) is recommended for all Virtual Appliances.
- 1 shared or dedicated management interface
- 1 dedicated, but not more than 7 total, non-management network interfaces

Important: Virtual Talari Appliances required dedicated resources. A Virtual Appliance deployed without dedicated (pinned) resources may not function as expected.

Upgrading from VT800 to VT800-128

An existing VT800 instance cannot be converted directly into a VT800-128. To upgrade a site from a VT800 to a VT800-128, deploy a new virtual appliance and cut over when ready, as with hardware appliance upgrades.

WAN Optimization System Specifications

WAN Optimization is supported on VT800s running APN 7.1 or above and VT800-128s running APN 7.3 P4 or above at the following levels with the specified resources:

Platform	Licence Level	WANOp Capacity	VCPUs	RAM	Max WANOp Sessions	Disk Size	Cloud Instance Type
Hyper-V	20 Mbps	8 Mbps	2	8GB	1,500	160GB	NA
	200 Mbps	100 Mbps	10 (2.10GHz)	10GB	5,000	160GB	NA
Azure	20 Mbps	8 Mbps	4	28GB	10,000	160GB	DS12_v2
	500 Mbps	100 Mbps	8 (2.4GHz)	56GB	16,000	160GB	DS13_v2
ESXi	20 Mbps	8 Mbps	2	8GB	1,500	160GB	NA
	2 Gbps	200 Mbps	14 (2.10GHz)	16GB (VT800-128: 32 GB)	10,000	160GB	NA

Note: The maximum number of WANOp sessions is scaled based on available memory. If a virtual appliance has insufficient dedicated RAM, the maximum number of WANOp sessions will be lower. Provisioning a virtual appliance below recommended system specifications will not disable WANOp, but will impact WANOp performance. Provisioning a virtual appliance below the defined minimum specifications is not supported.

A warning banner will be displayed in the Web Console if WANOp is enabled on a Virtual Appliances that does not meet the minimum recommended system specifications. An example is shown below, on a VT800 with insufficient RAM and VCPUs:



Warning:

- WAN Optimization will likely have degraded performance unless at least 8 GB of RAM are allocated to the appliance. The system currently only has 4.06 GB.
- WAN Optimization will likely have degraded performance unless at least 2 cores are allocated to the appliance. The system currently only has 1.

For information on how to configure WAN Optimization, please see the *Talari WANOp Setup and Configuration Guide*.

Support for Virtual Appliances

Before calling or emailing for support, please ensure that your Virtual Appliance deployment matches the above specifications. Configurations outside of this scope cannot be supported.

Virtual Appliance Installation

VMware ESXi

Prepare to Deploy the Virtual Appliance

Note: You must perform the following procedure from a Microsoft Windows environment.

1. Download the Virtual image for ESXi.
2. Find the Auto Installers for Virtual Talari Appliances.
3. Download Full Install for VMWare file for the desired Virtual Appliance.

Note: Virtual Machine image files are over 1 GB in size, so the download may take several minutes to complete.

4. The **vSphere Client** is used to manage the VMware server. If you already have the **vSphere Client** installed on your workstation, skip to step 7. Otherwise, using any browser, navigate to your VMware server's IP Address.

5. Download the linked executable file on this page for **vSphere Client**.

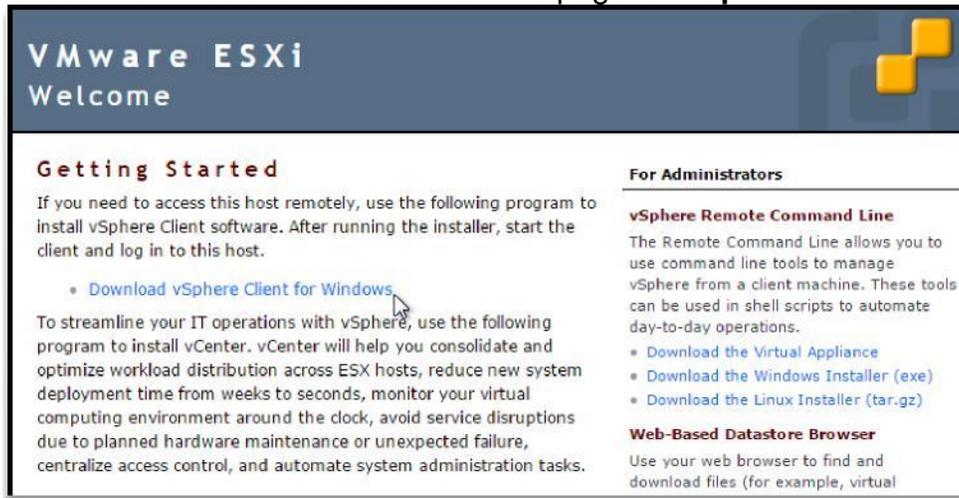


Figure 1: Download vSphere Client

6. Run the file that you downloaded in step 5, and install the vSphere Client using the default options.

 1. Open the vSphere Client program. At the initial dialog box, enter the IP address of the VMware server.
 2. Enter the **User name** and **Password** provided by your server's Administrator and click **Login**.

Note: A **Security Warning** screen may appear with a Certificate Warning for an untrusted SSL certificate. Click **Ignore** to continue using the default VMware SSL certificate.

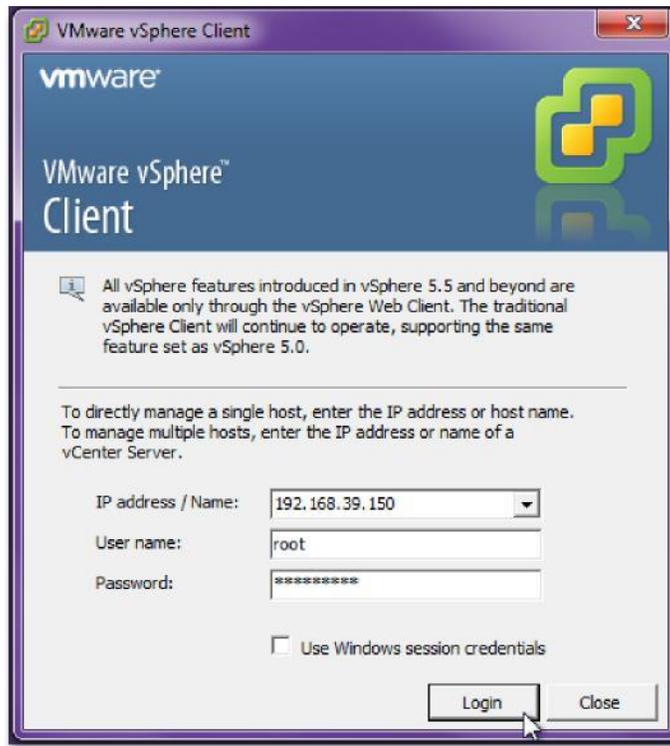


Figure 2: Enter IP address, User name, and Password

Note: If you have already configured virtual switches to tie your Virtual Appliance's LAN and WAN ports to the configured, physical Ethernet ports on the VMware server or to ports on other VMs housed on the same server, proceed to **Deploy The Virtual Appliance**.

9. If this is the first time you've used the vSphere Client, you may need to click the **Inventory** icon. From the **Inventory** available, click the server's IP address then click the **Configuration** tab.

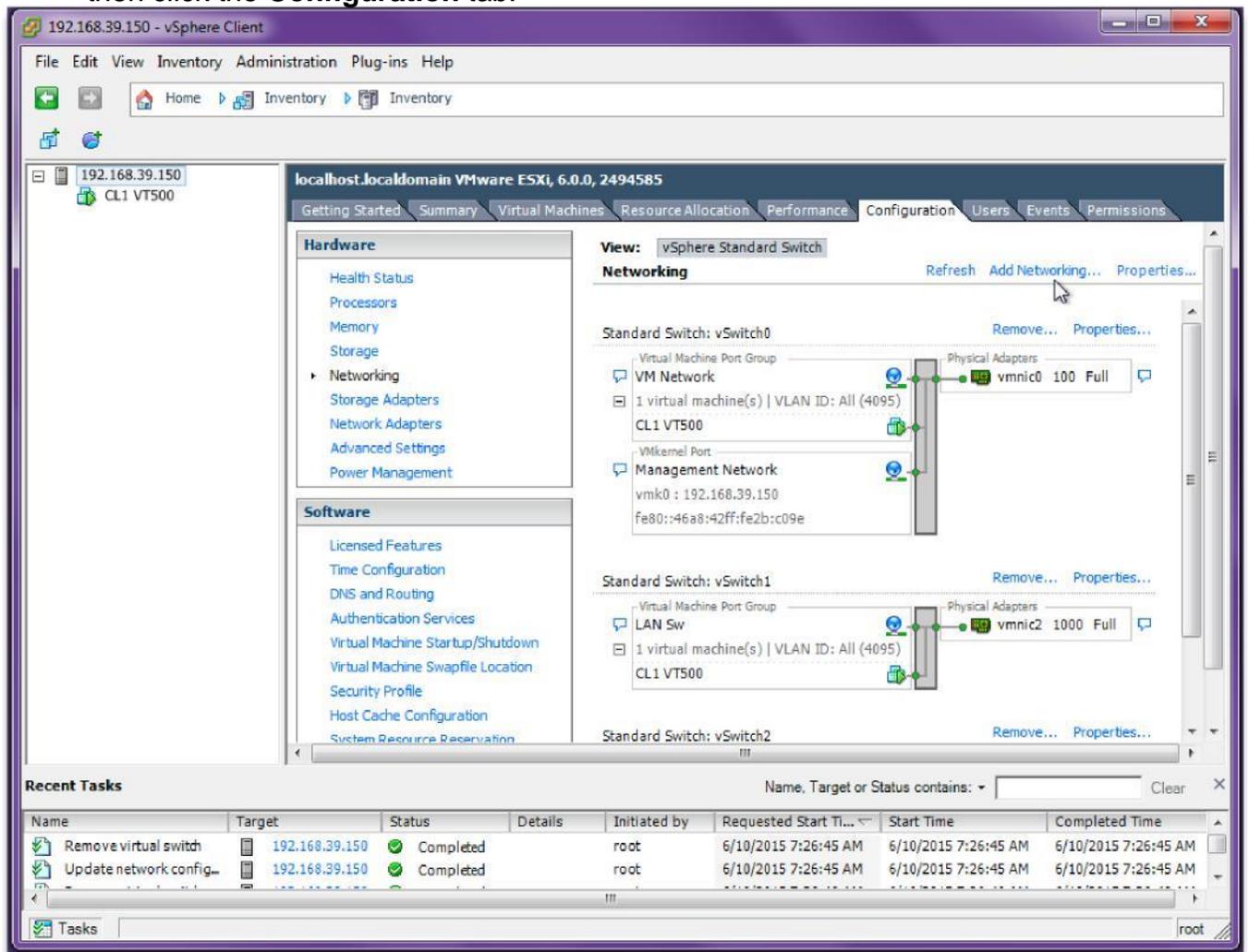


Figure 3: VM Server Configuration Tab

10. Click **Networking** from the left menu then click the **Add Networking...** link.
 3. Choose **Virtual Machine** as the **Connection Type** and click **Next**.

Note: The physical network adapters on the server appliance (vmnic1, vmnic2, etc.) can only be assigned to a single vSphere standard switch. Once a vmnic is assigned to a vSphere standard switch, it will no longer be available when creating a new vSphere standard switch.

12. Click **Create a vSphere standard switch**, choose one of the available virtual machine NICs, and click **Next**.

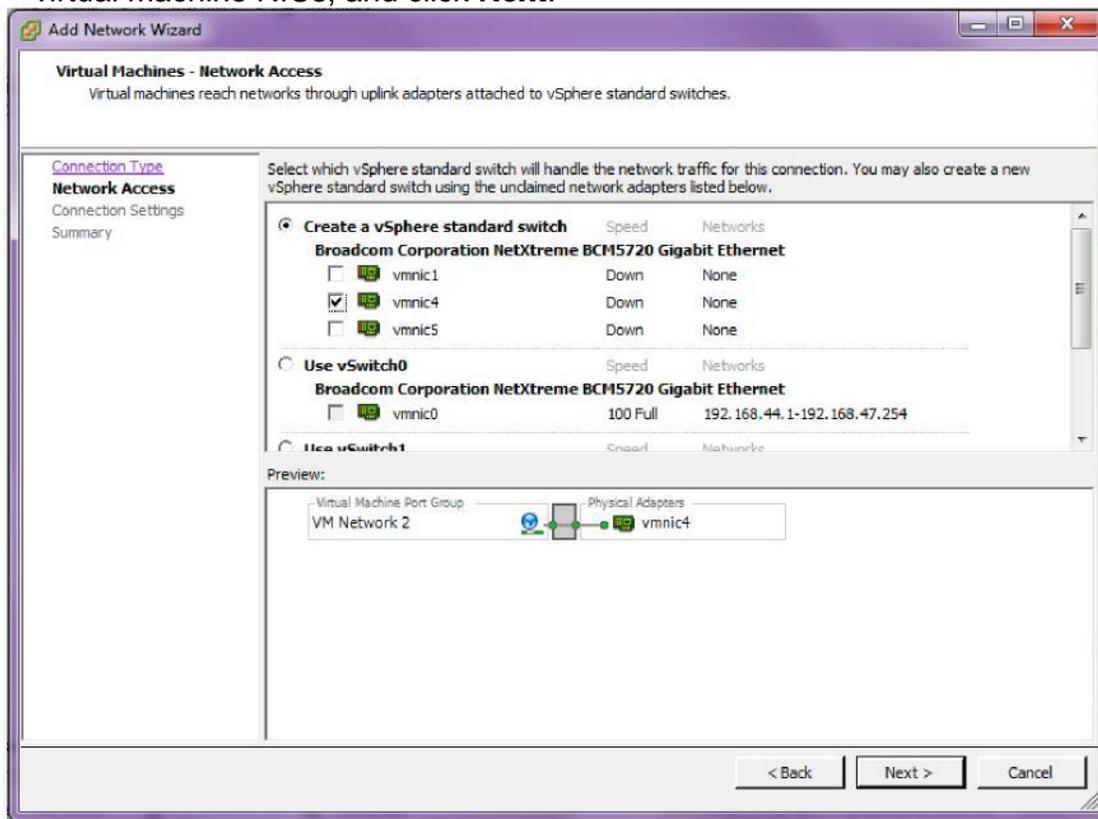


Figure 4: Create a Switch

13. Give the **Virtual Machine Port Group** for the switch you created in step 12 an appropriate **Network Label**. If VLAN tags will be used on the associated appliance port, set the **VLAN ID** field to **All (4095)**. Click **Next**.
14. Confirm that the information for the new virtual switch is correct then click **Finish**.
15. If this switch will be attached to the appliance management port, skip to step 18. Otherwise, after creating the switch, remain on the Networking panel of the Configuration tab and locate the switch within the panel. You may need to scroll down.
16. Click **Properties...** for the switch. Then, from the **Ports** tab, highlight the **Virtual Machine Port Group** and click **Edit...**

17. On the **Security** tab ensure that **Promiscuous Mode** and **Forged Transmits** are set to **Accept** then click **OK**.

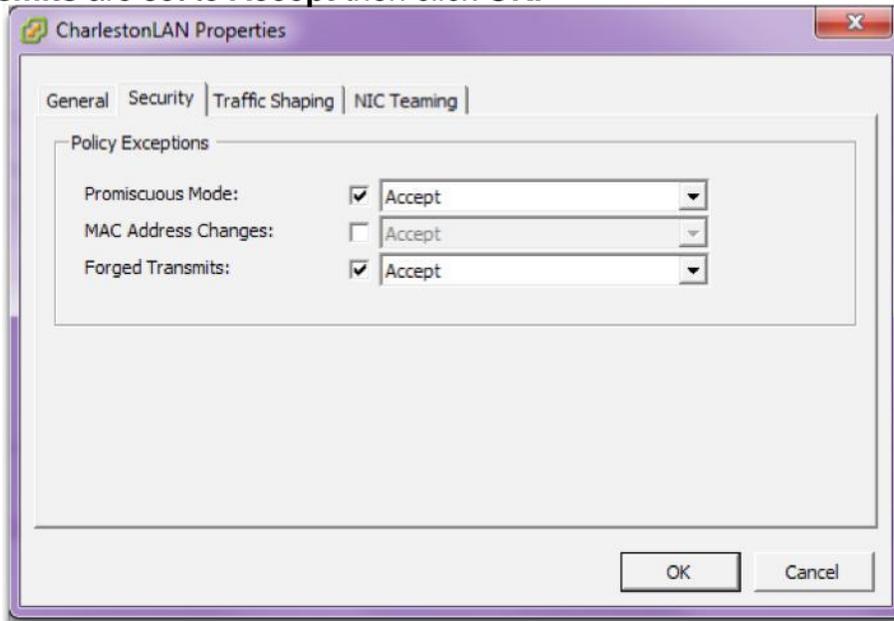


Figure 5: Configure Promiscuous Mode

18. Repeat steps 10 through 17 to create a separate virtual switch for each Virtual Appliance port that **will be used** in your deployment.
7. Repeat steps 10 through 14, and do not choose a virtual machine NIC in step 12, to create a null virtual switch for Virtual Appliance ports that **will not be used** in your deployment.

Note: Virtual Appliances have 7 network ports. All 7 network ports **must be assigned** to a virtual switch even if you do not intend to use all of them in your deployment. A null virtual switch that is not tied to any physical NIC can be used for this purpose.

Deploy the Virtual Appliance

1. Click **File** ▢ **Deploy OVF Template...**

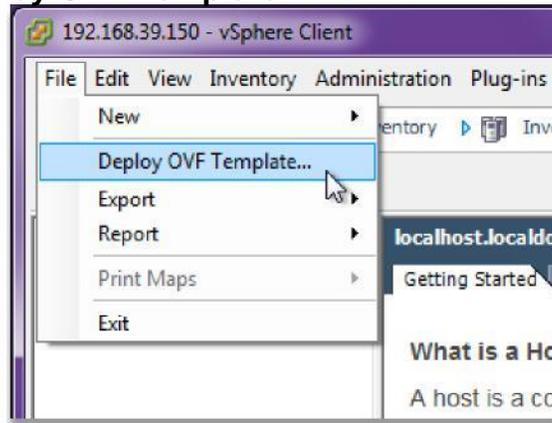


Figure 6: Deploy OVF Template

2. **Browse** to the location of the Talari Appliance VM Image (.ova package) that you downloaded. Select the file and click **Open**.
8. Click **Next** and a screen will display information for the VM being imported.
9. Click **Next** and a screen will display the End User License Agreement. After reading, click **Accept** then click **Next**.
10. The **Name and Location** screen displays a default name for the VM. Change the name if desired and click **Next**.

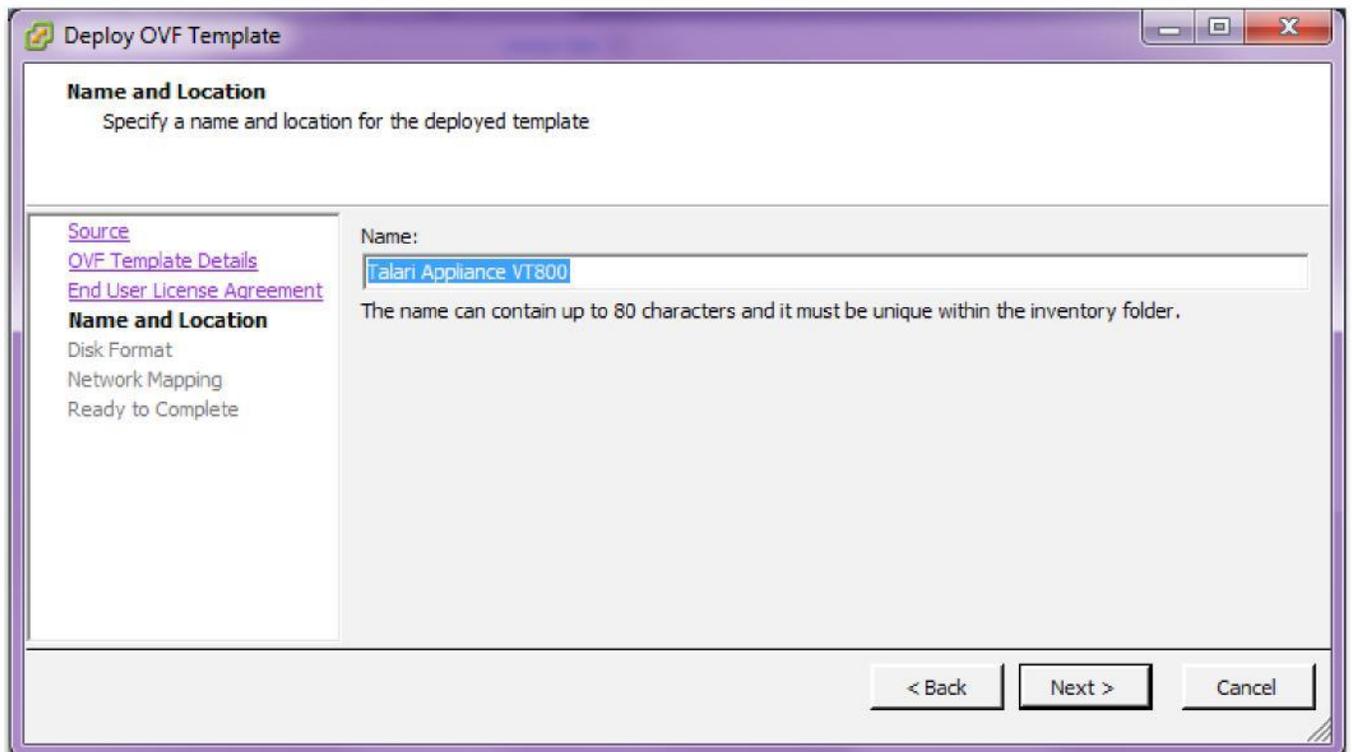


Figure 7: Name the VM

6. Accept the default settings on the **Disk Format** screen and click **Next**.
1. On the **Network Mapping** screen, use the drop-down menus under **Destination Networks** to assign the Virtual Appliance ports (**Source Networks**) to the previously configured virtual switch port groups. Any port that will not be used in your deployment must be assigned to the null virtual switch (see step 19 of **Prepare to Deploy the Virtual Appliance**). Click **Next**.

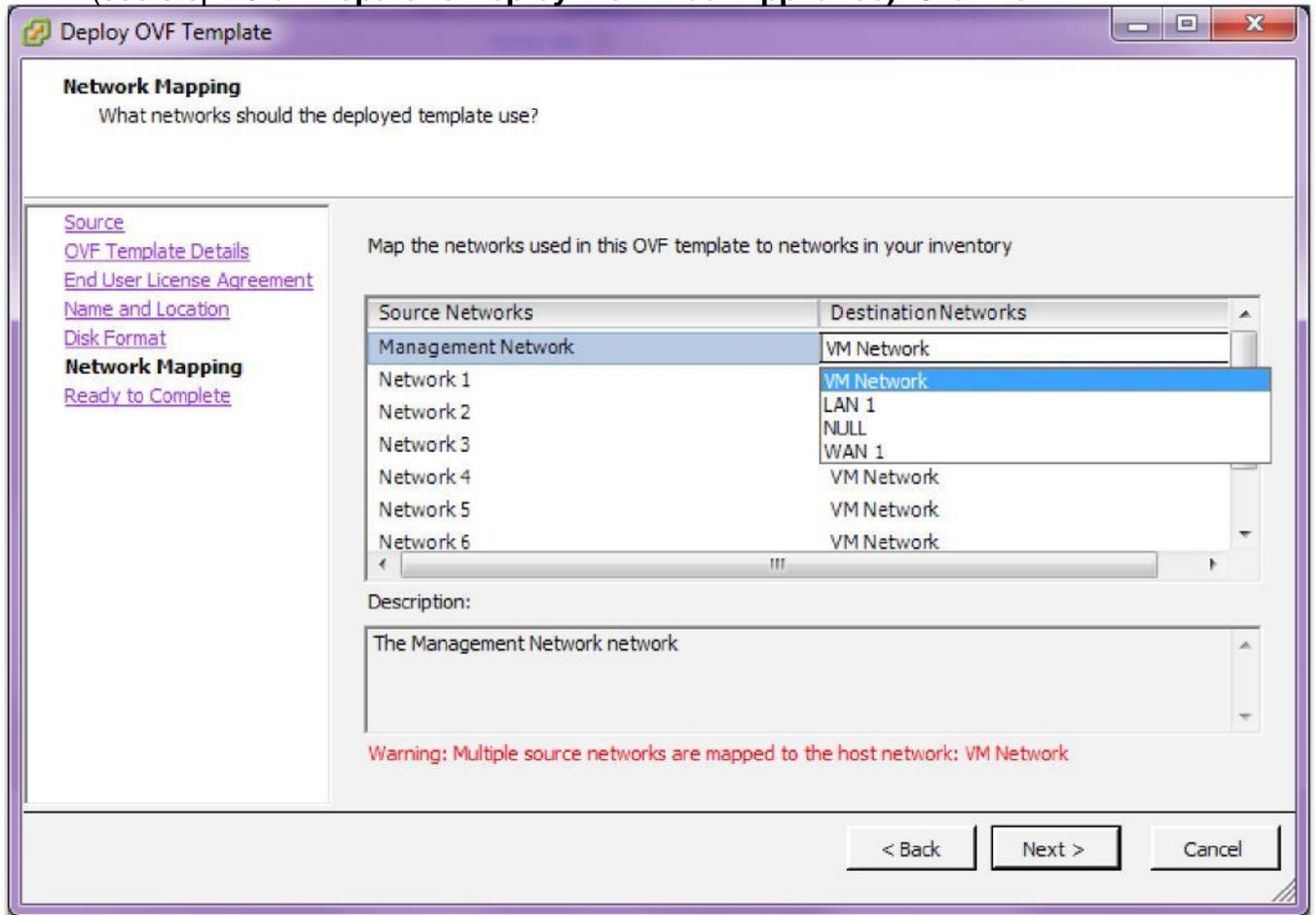


Figure 8: Map Networks from Inventory

8. Click **Finish** on the **Ready to Complete** screen.

Note: Decompressing the disk image onto the server could take several minutes.

Configure the Virtual Machine

5. If this is the first time you have used the vSphere Client, you may need to click the **Inventory** icon, identify the server, and expand its inventory list.
6. Click the name of your Virtual Appliance's VM in the inventory list.
7. Click the **Summary** tab and click **Edit Settings** underneath the **Commands** section to open the **Virtual Machine Properties** window.

- Click **Memory** from the **Hardware** tab of the **Virtual Machine Properties** screen and ensure that the required amount of memory is configured for the intended performance level of your Virtual Appliance (see the **Virtual Machine Specifications** section for details).

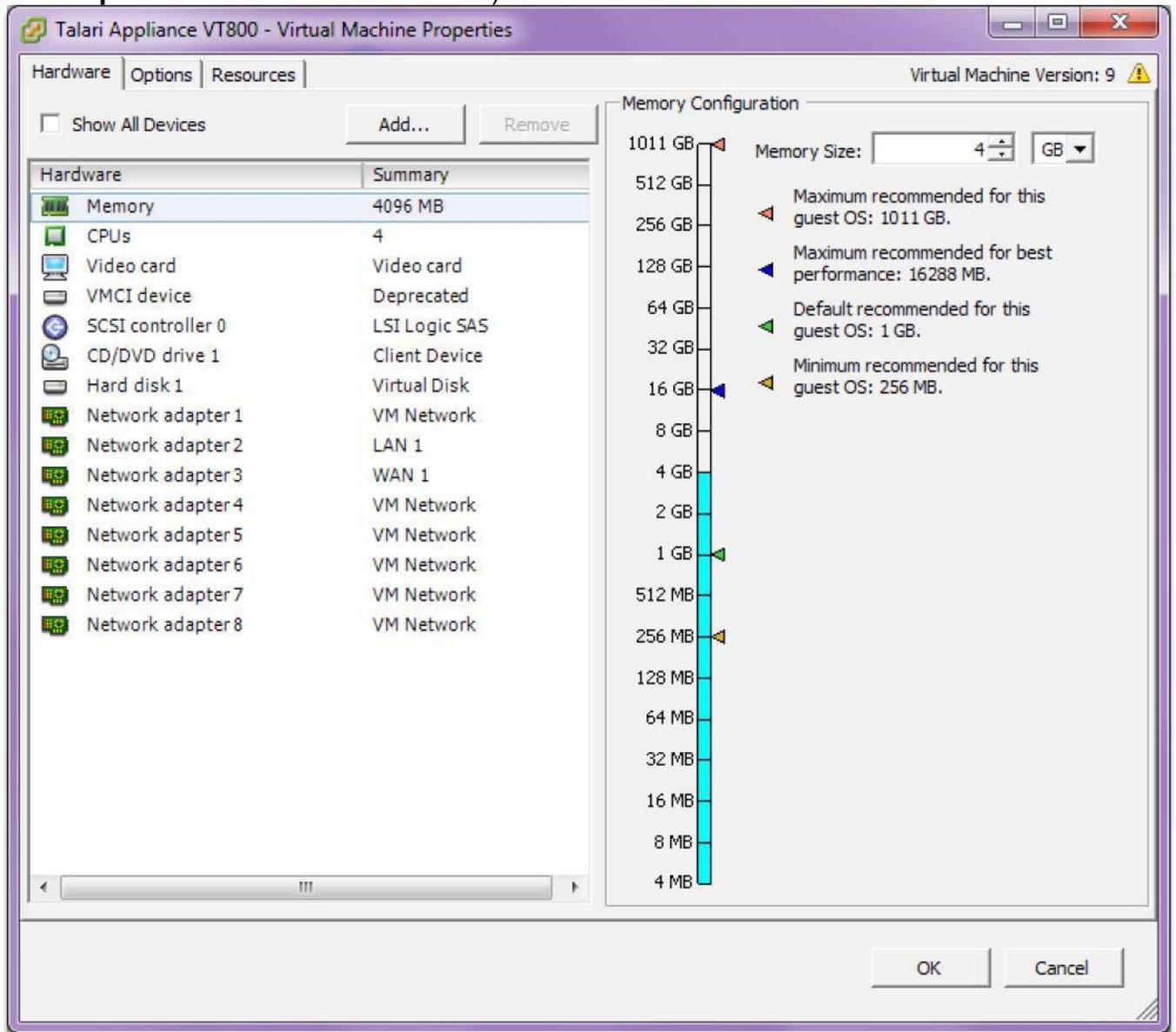


Figure 9: Adjust Memory Size

- Click **CPUs** from the **Hardware** tab of the **Virtual Machine Properties** screen and ensure that the required number of cores (i.e., Virtual CPUs) is configured for the intended performance level of your Virtual Appliance (see **Virtual Machine Specifications** section for details). You may configure these cores on a single virtual socket or across multiple virtual sockets.

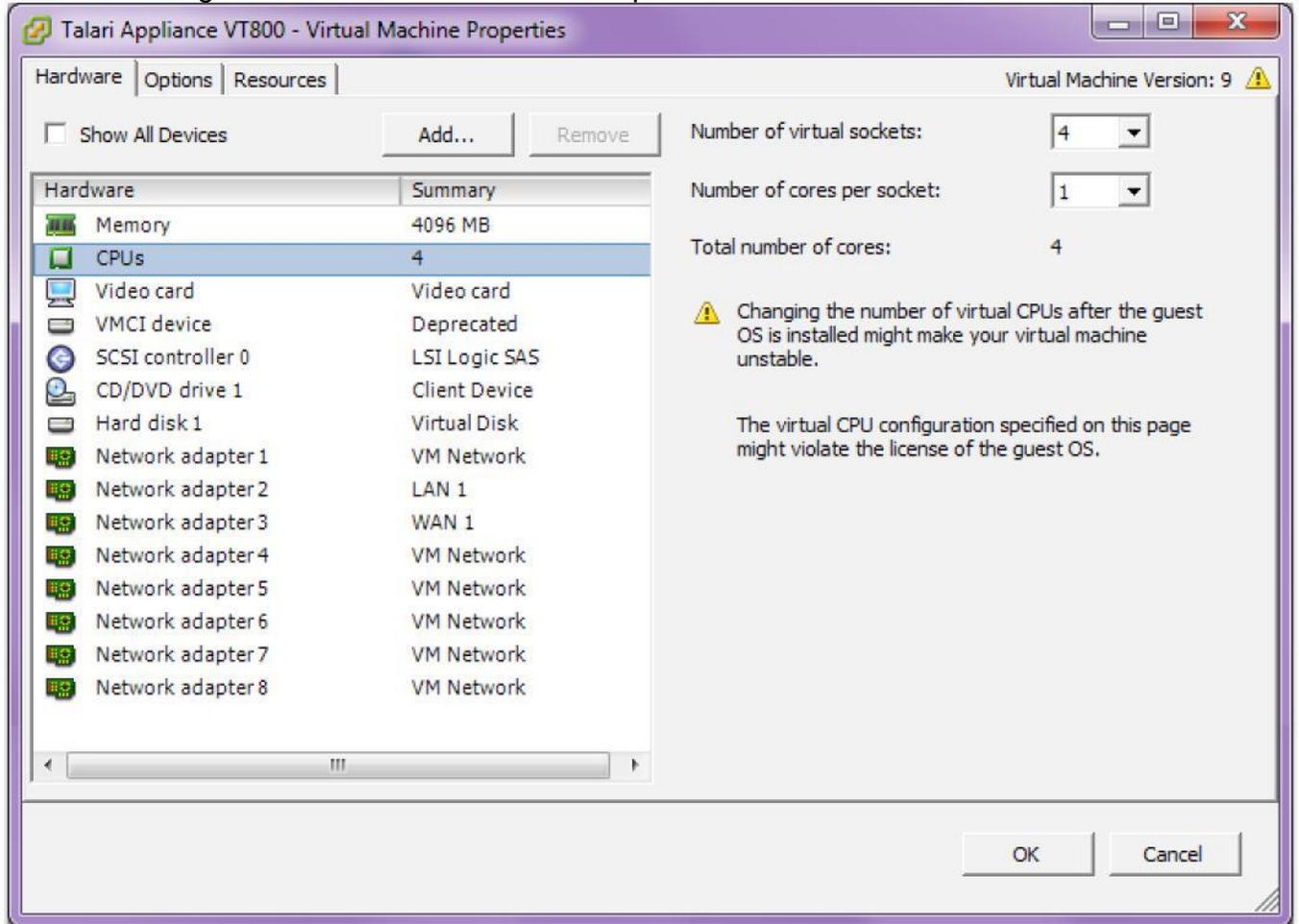


Figure 10: Adjust the Number of Sockets and Cores

Note: The number of virtual sockets should either be 2 or 4, based on the licensed performance from **Virtual Machine Specifications** section. The number of cores per socket must be 1.

- Click **Hard disk 1** from the **Hardware** tab of the **Virtual Machine Properties** screen and ensure that at least 160GB of storage is configured in the **Provisioned Size** field.

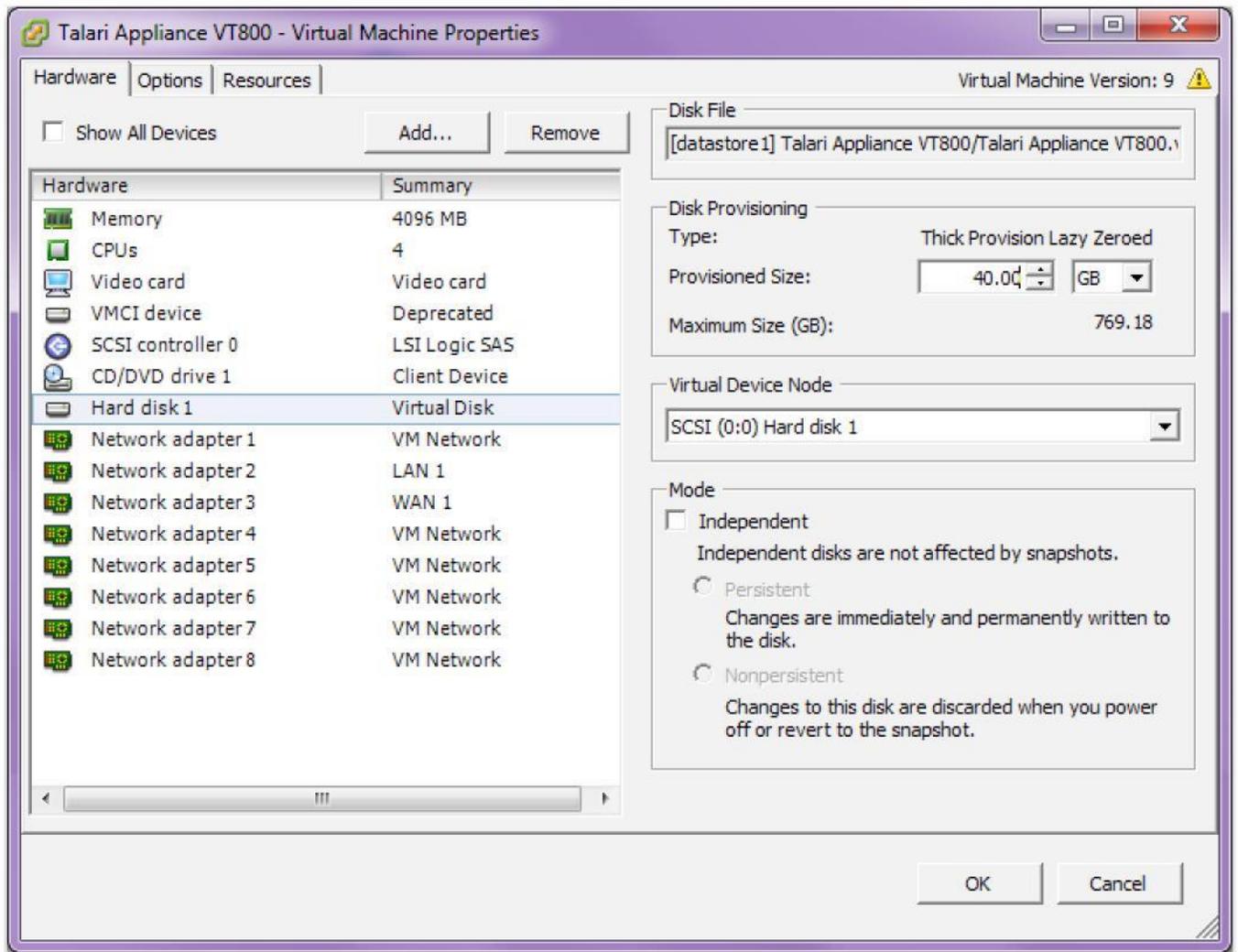


Figure 11: Add Hard Disk

Click **OK** to save the changes to the Virtual Appliance and exit the **Virtual Machine Properties** screen.

Start the Virtual Appliance

- From the inventory list, make sure your new VM is still selected and power it on by clicking the green **Play** icon.
- Click the **Console** tab in the right hand pane of the vSphere Client screen then click inside the console screen and hit **Enter**.

Note: To exit the console, release the mouse by pressing and holding the **Ctrl** and **Alt** buttons simultaneously.

3. Change the talariuser password (sudo passwd talariuser)

Note: This is only applicable if you are running OS 7.0.3 or later.

4. Login in with the following credentials:

Username = talariuser

Password = password entered in previous step

11. The Talari OS level and Host IP are displayed.

Note: The Virtual Appliance is configured to use DHCP by default. If you want to manually configure the management IP, follow steps 5 through 9; otherwise, take note of the Host IP and skip to **Configure and License the Virtual Appliance**.

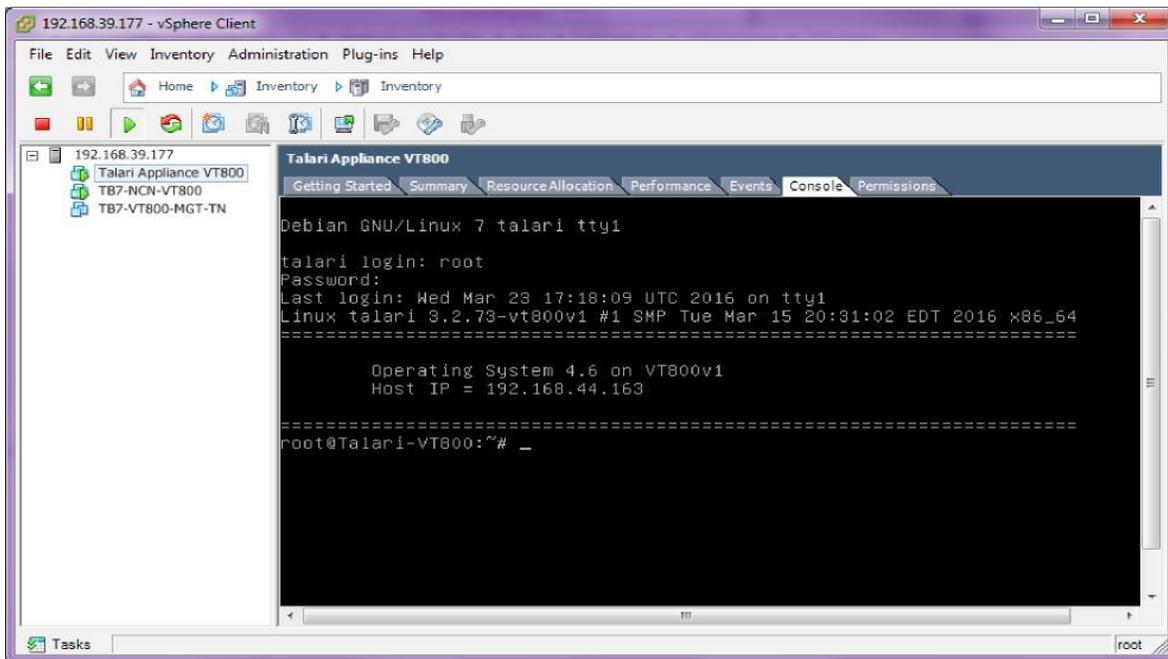


Figure 12: Virtual Appliance Console Login

12. Run the **tcon** command to acquire the Talari console.

13. Run the **management_IP** command to enter the set_management_ip prompt.

14. Run **set interface <ip_address> <subnet_mask> <gateway_ip_address>**
(e.g., set interface 192.168.44.196 255.255.240.0 192.168.35.2).

15. Run **apply**.

Run **main_menu** to exit the set_management_ip prompt.

Configure and License the Virtual Appliance

16. If you intend to deploy your Virtual Appliance as a Network Control Node, skip to step 6. Otherwise, access the **Talari Configuration Editor** available from the web console of your Network Control Node or your Talari Aware instance.

17. From the **Talari Configuration Editor**, modify your current Talari Configuration to include the Virtual Appliance as a new Site or as an update to an existing Site.

3. Under **Sites - [Virtual Appliance Site Name] - Basic Settings**, when you choose a Virtual Appliance model from the **Model** drop-down menu also choose the correct license from the **License** drop-down menu.

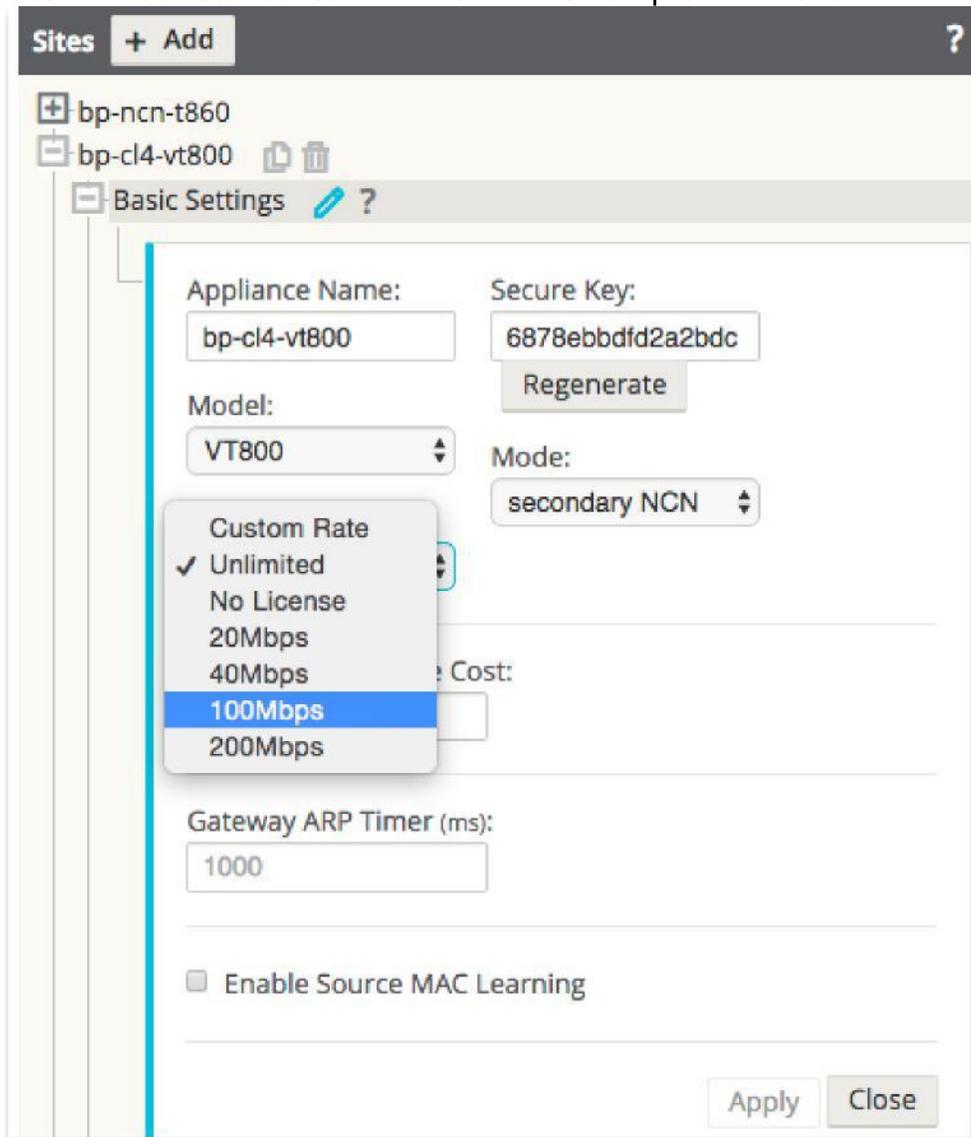


Figure 13: Choose Correct Virtual Appliance License from the Configuration Editor

4. Stage the modified Talari Configuration on your network as you would any other Talari configuration change.
18. Download the staged Appliance Package for the Virtual Appliance to your local workstation.

Note: At this point, if desired, continue and complete the Change Management process to activate the configuration changes across the APN in preparation for the Virtual Talari addition.

7. Open any supported browser and navigate to the management IP of the Virtual Talari Appliance. At the **Login** prompt enter the following credentials and click **Login**:

Login: talariuser

Password: password created

19. Request a license for the Virtual Appliance by submitting the **Hardware Identifier** (found on the **Home** page when you log in) to your Talari Sales Representative. Your Sales Representative will issue a Talari License file based on the performance level you specified.

Note: If you have a pre-prepared Appliance Package for the Virtual Appliance, continue with step 8. If you do not have a pre-prepared Appliance Package for the Talari Appliance, click **Advanced Config** to manually configure and license your Virtual Appliance.

20. Under **One Touch Start**, click **Browse** and select the pre-prepared Appliance Package from your workstation.

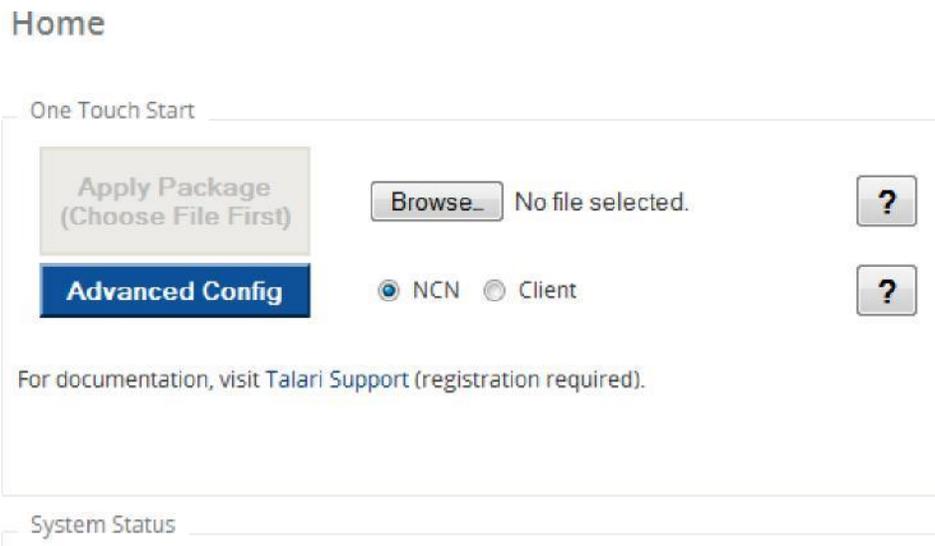


Figure 14: Talari APN Software Home Screen

21. Select **Client** or Network Control Node (**NCN**) and click **Apply Package**.
22. Once the Appliance Package is uploaded the **Client Setup Complete** (or **NCN Setup Complete**) page will be displayed.

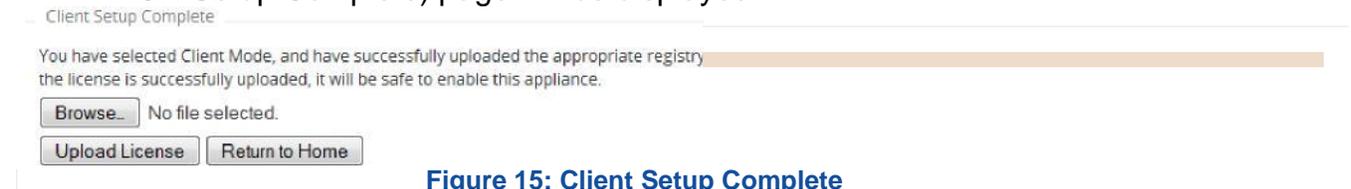


Figure 15: Client Setup Complete

Note: The Talari Service starts automatically, but before you can take advantage of the performance level you purchased a license for, you must upload the license to the

Virtual Appliance. An unlicensed Virtual Appliance will override the permitted rates of all configured WAN Links so their total does not exceed 10 Mbps full-duplex (i.e., 20 Mbps total).

11. Download the Talari License file issued by your Talari Sales Representative to your workstation. From this page or the **Manage Appliance** → **License Information** page, click the **Browse** button and choose the Talari License file you downloaded.
23. Click **Upload License**. The page will reload to display your **License Information**.

Manage Appliance / License Information

– Upload License for this Appliance

Upload a license file to this appliance.

Filename: No file chosen

Talari service must be restarted for license file to take effect.

License Information

Issued To:	Chris Parsons
Unique Identifier:	564db762-bd5a-f04d-fc91-6f701cc6637c
Model:	VT800
Capacity:	Unlimited
License Identifier:	6f52213d220e4a775f00f5096e9981a3

Download License for this Appliance

A text file containing the signed license for this appliance

System Info

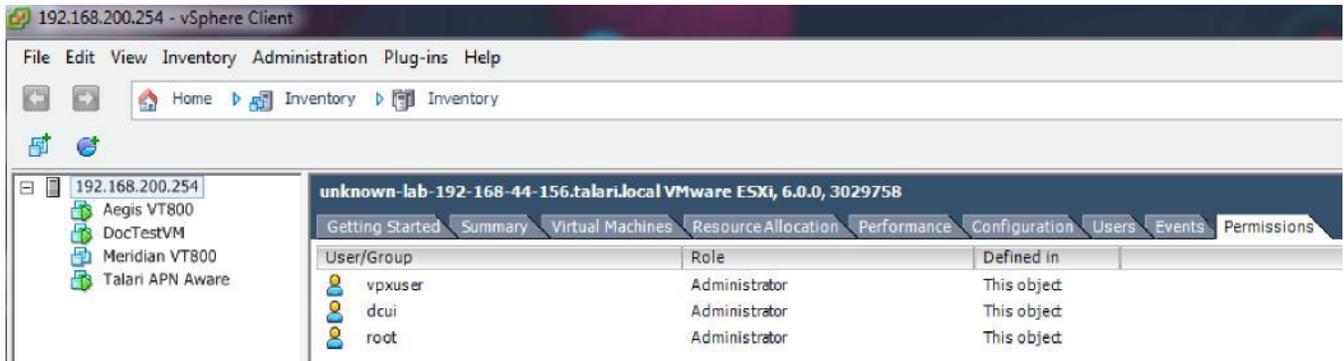
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Software Version:	R7_1_GA_11142017
Hardware Identifier:	564db762-bd5a-f04d-fc91-6f701cc6637c

Figure 16: Successfully Licensed Virtual Appliance

Note: In order for the license to take effect, the Talari Service must be restarted.

Troubleshooting VM Permissions

If you encounter permissions issues attempting to run a Virtual Appliance on VMware ESXi, highlight the Virtual Machine from the server's Inventory list and click the **Permissions** tab to verify that the correct users have Administrator access to the Virtual Appliance. If the necessary users are not listed and/or their role is not set properly, you must contact your VMware server's administrator for help.



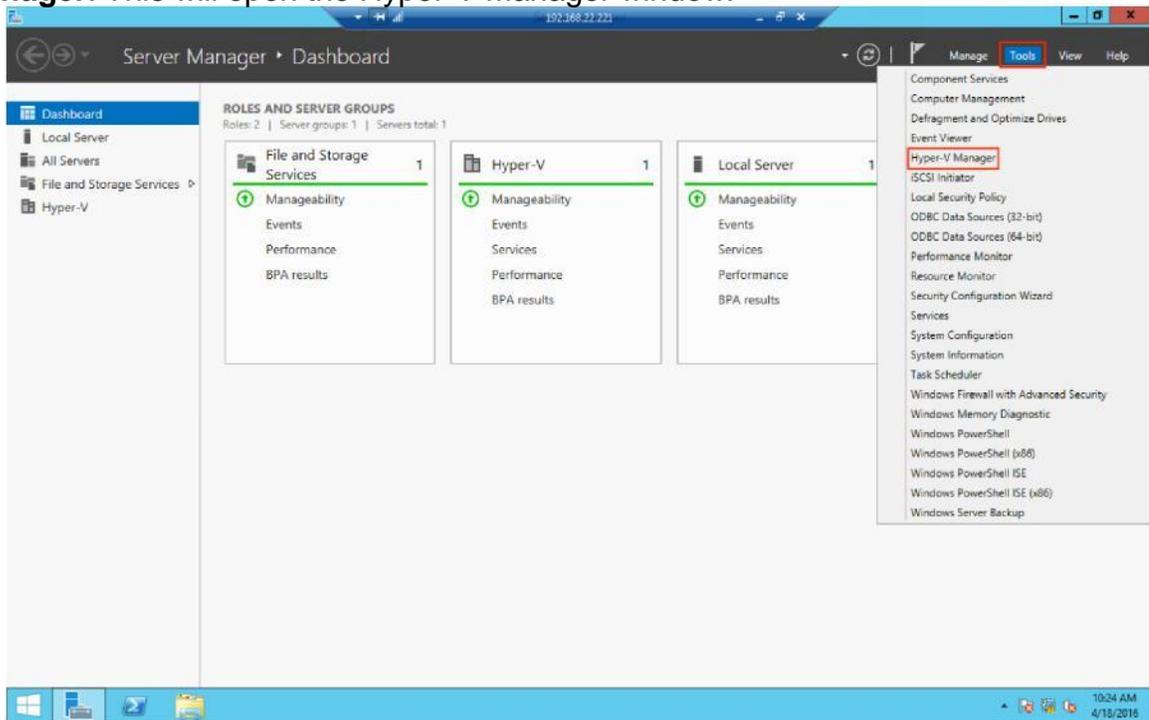
Microsoft Hyper-V

Virtual Appliances deployed on Microsoft Hyper-V are subject to the following configuration limitations:

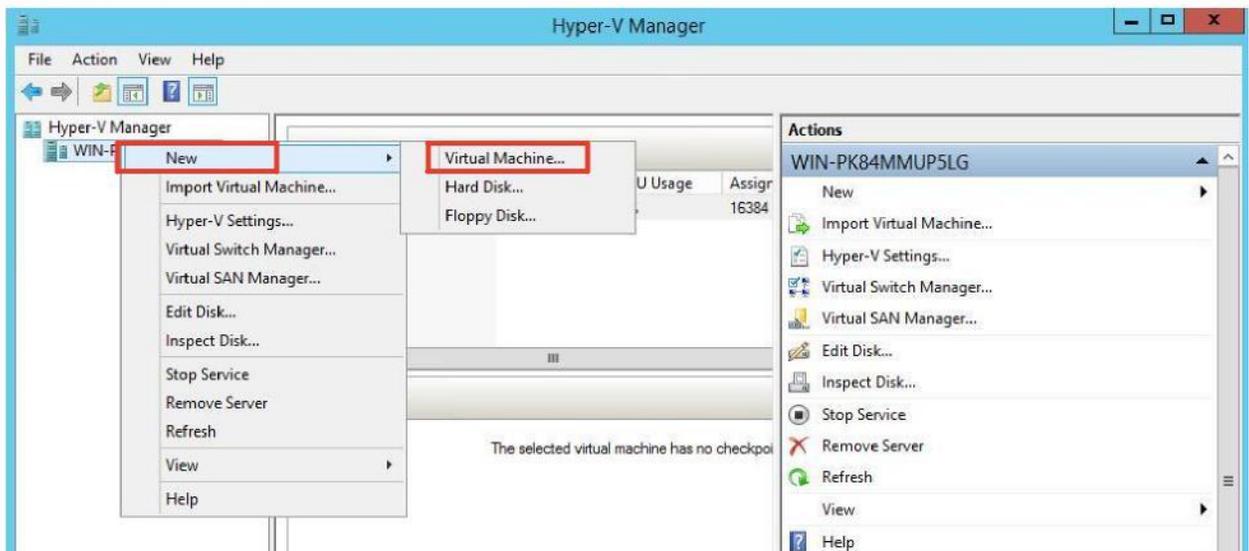
- Hyper-V does not support layer 2 bridging; therefore, the Talari Passthrough Service is not supported in Virtual Appliances deployed on Hyper-V.
- Hyper-V does not support multiple VLANs to use a single virtual interface, therefore only one VLAN can be supported on a Talari Interface Group. **Important:** When shutting down Virtual Appliances deployed on Hyper-V, use the “Shut Down” option rather than the “Turn Off” option to ensure graceful shutdown. If the “Turn Off” option is used, the Virtual Appliance may not start up properly.

Deploy the Virtual Appliance in Hyper-V

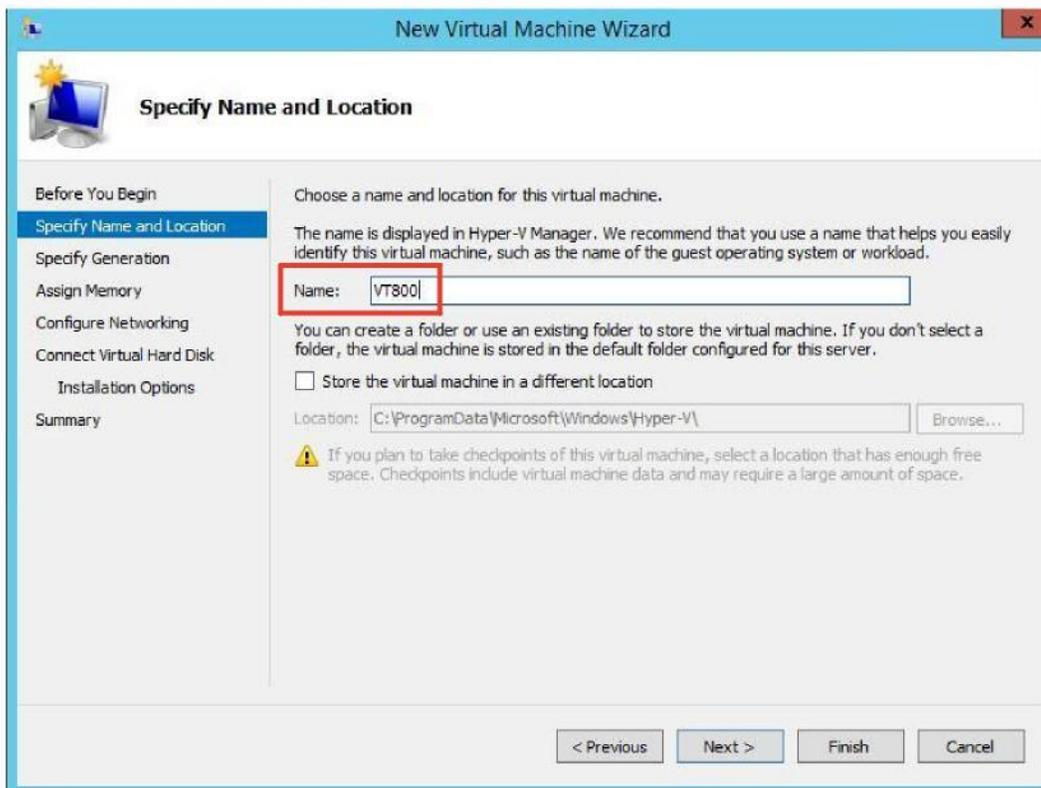
1. Open **Server Manager**, select the **Tools** pull-down menu, and click **Hyper-V Manager**. This will open the Hyper-V Manager window.



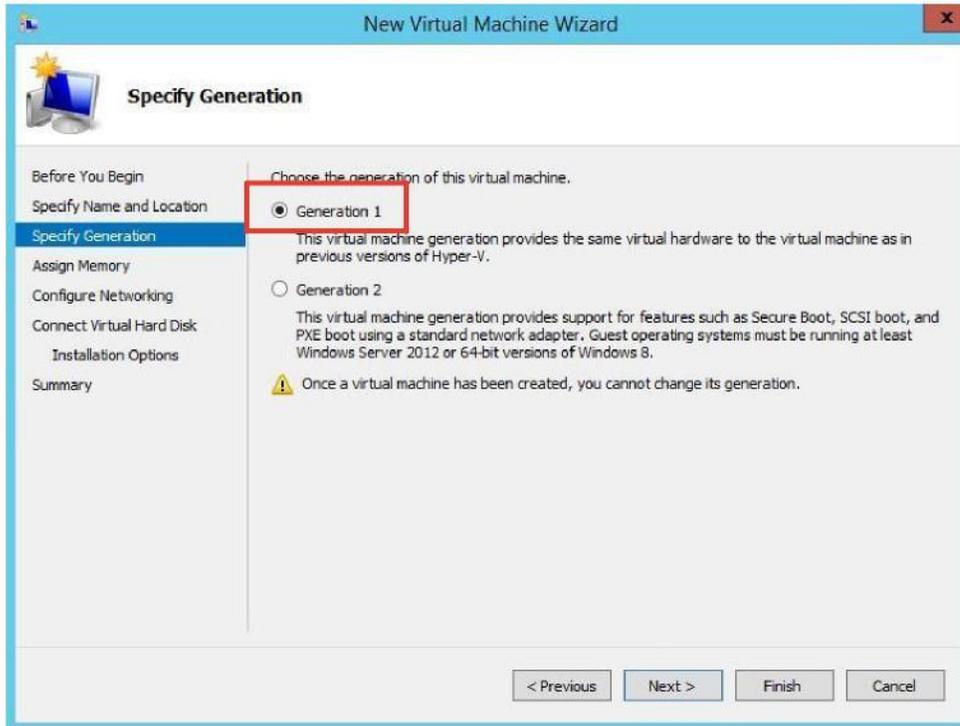
2. In the Hyper-V Manager window, make sure your server is selected from the dropdown list in the left. Select **New -> Virtual Machine**. This will open the New Virtual Machine Wizard.



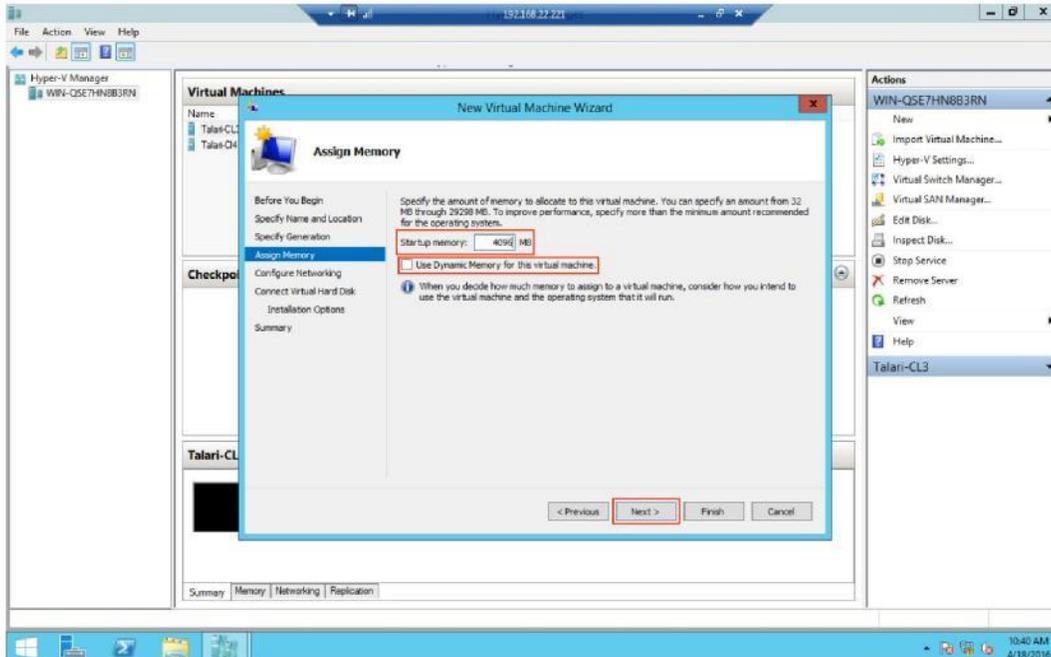
3. Review the **Before You Begin** tab, then click next.
3. On the **Specify Name and Location** tab, type an appropriate name for your virtual machine into the name box. Click **Next**.



5. On the **Specify Generation** tab, ensure that **Generation 1** is selected and click **Next**.



4. On the **Assign Memory** tab, choose the appropriate amount of memory necessary for the Virtual Appliance being deployed and input that value into the Startup memory box. Confirm “Use Dynamic Memory for the virtual machine” is not selected, then click **Next**.

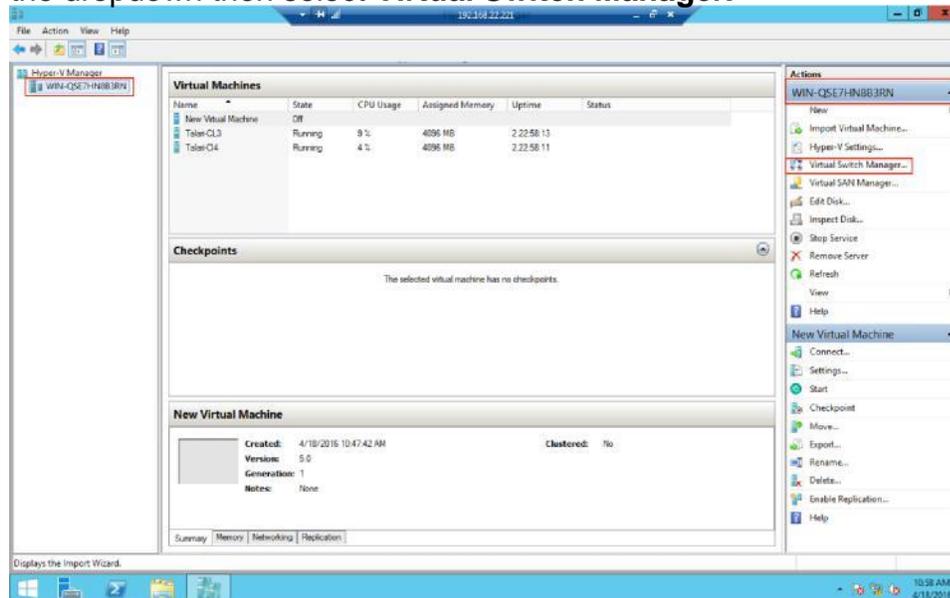


5. On the **Configure Networking** tab, select a Virtual Switch to connect to the default network adapter. This network adapter will be used as the management interface for

the Virtual Appliance. If you have not yet configured any Virtual Switches, you may leave the network adapter disconnected for the moment. Click **Next**.

8. On the **Connect Virtual Hard Disk** tab, select the "Attach a virtual hard disk later" option and click **Next**.

9. On the **Summary** page, review the information for accuracy then click **Finish**.
24. The next step is to use the Virtual Switch Manager to configure Virtual Switches for the network interface ports. If this has already been done for other virtual machines on the server, skip to the next step.
 - a. On the Hyper-V Manager window, select the server and from the dropdown then select **Virtual Switch Manager**.



- b. Select **New Virtual Switch**, make sure **External Network** (for connection to external Ethernet ports) is selected under type, and click **Create Virtual Switch**.
 - a. In the **Name** box, choose an appropriate name for the Virtual Switch (i.e. MGT, WAN, or LAN).
 - b. Under **Connection Type**, choose the physical NIC this Virtual Switch will represent. Disable the "Allow management operating system to share this network adapter" option, unless this is the management NIC and you would like it to be shared among VMs.

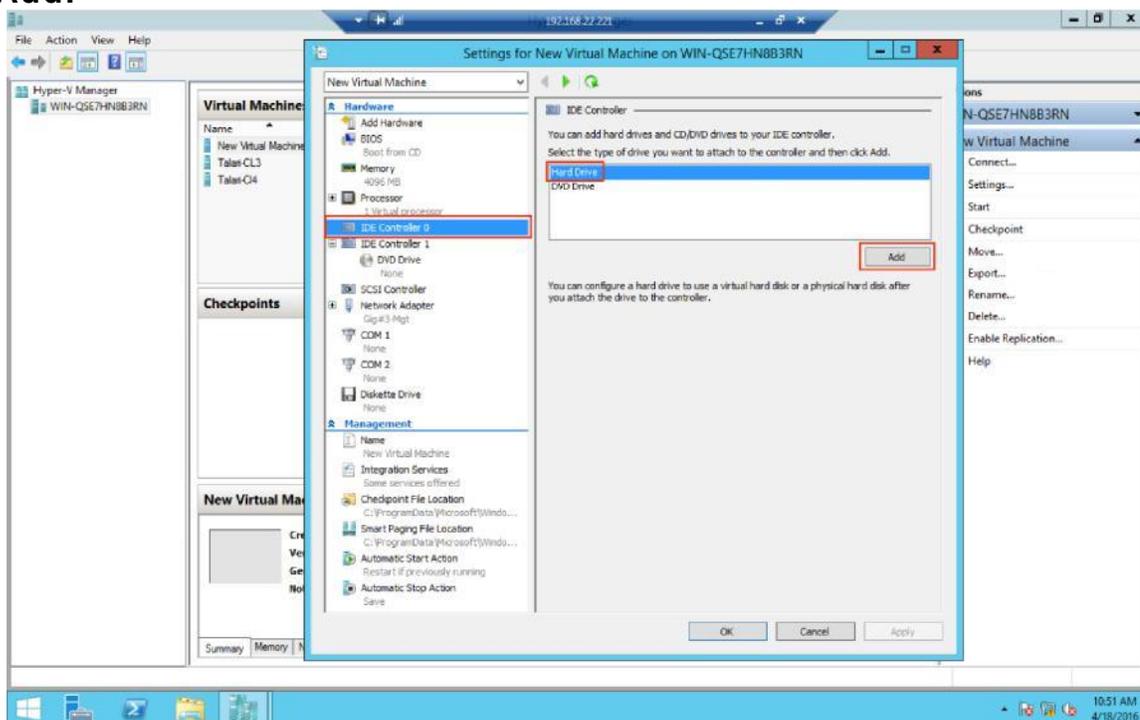
- e. Under **VLAN ID**, allow tagging and choose the VLAN if required, click

Apply.

- f. Repeat these steps for each NIC that will be used on the virtual appliance.
Then, click **OK**. In a typical deployment the virtual appliance will require a minimum of three NICs – Management, LAN, and WAN.
11. Back on the Hyper-V Manager window, select the new virtual machine and

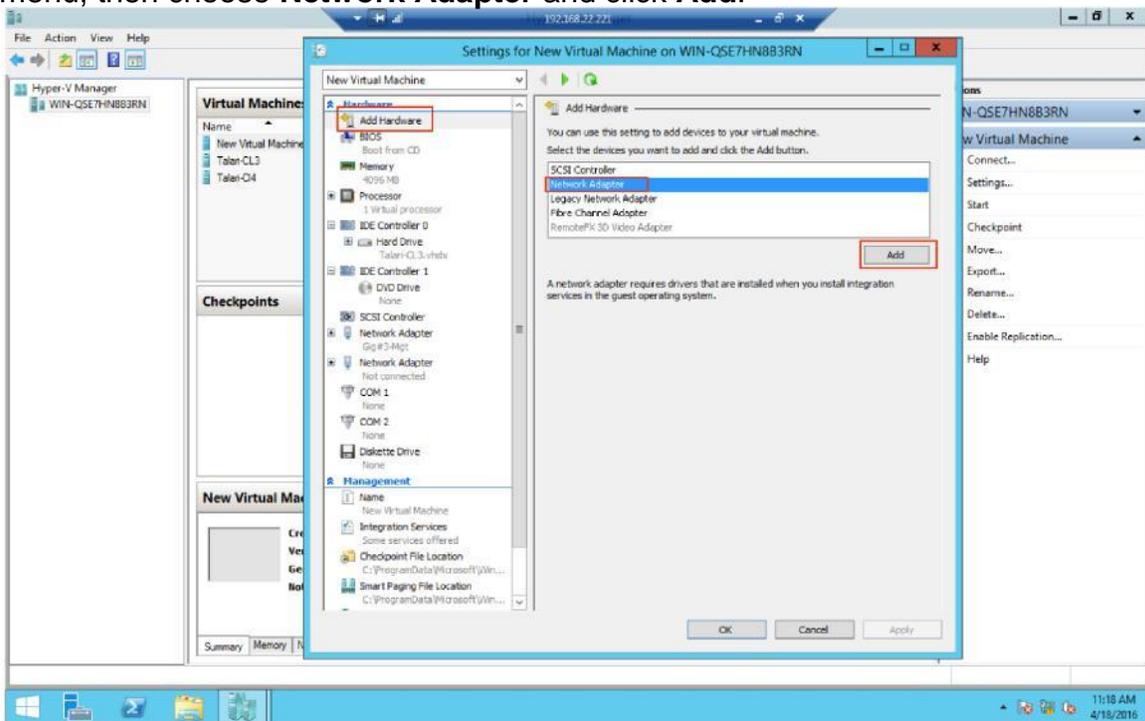
12. In the settings window for your virtual machine select the **IDE Controller 0** from the Hardware dropdown menu. Ensure that Hard Drive is selected and click

Add.

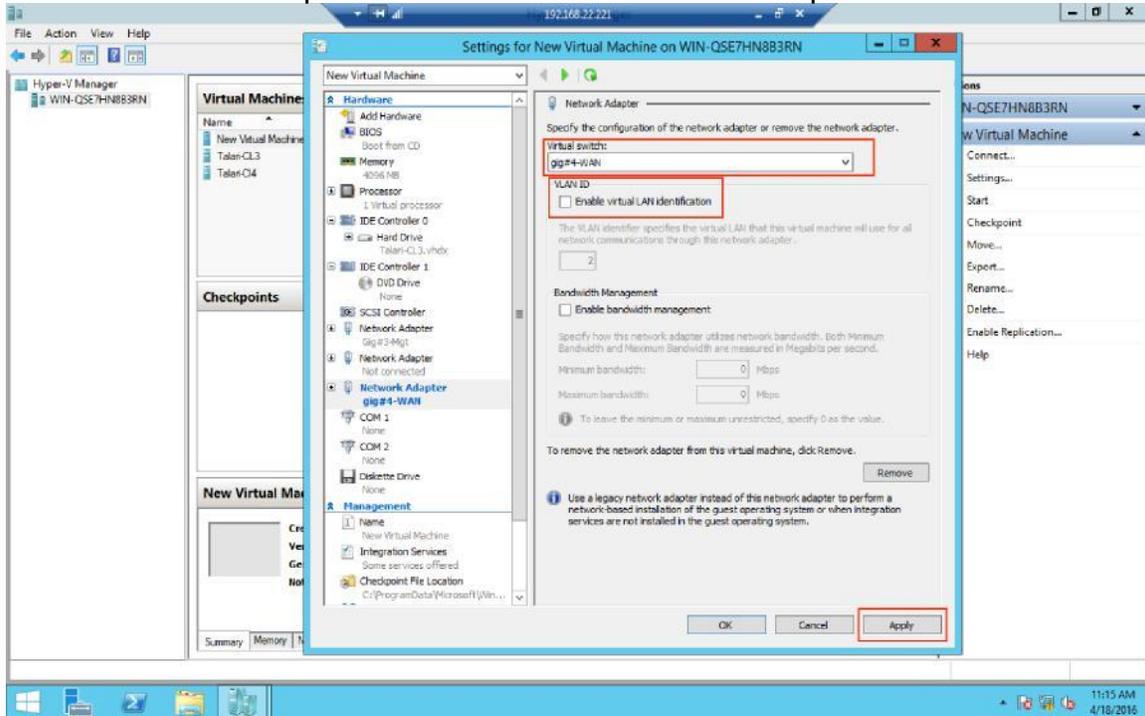


14. Under **Media**, choose **Virtual Hard Disk** and browse to where the .vhd for the Virtual Appliance is stored on the server. Click **Apply** then **OK**.
25. Go back to your virtual machine **Settings** window. You will notice that one network adapter has already been created during the VM deployment. This network adapter provides management connectivity for the Virtual Appliance. If it is not connected to the Virtual Switch designated for management traffic, select that Virtual Switch from the dropdown and click **Apply**.

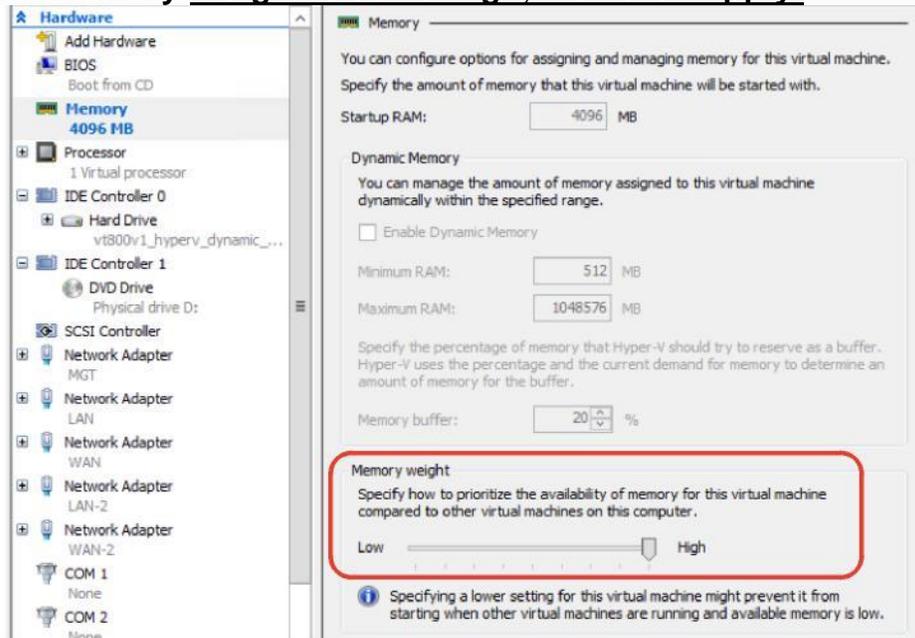
15. You will need to create network adapters for the remaining data ports that will be used on your Virtual Appliance. Select **Add Hardware** from the Hardware dropdown menu, then choose **Network Adapter** and click **Add**.



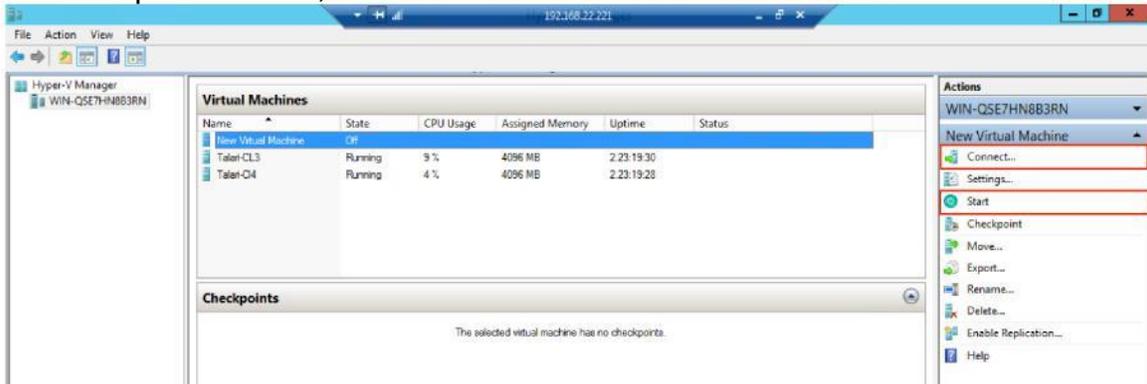
- Choose the appropriate previously configured Virtual Switch for the desired physical port from the dropdown menu. If VLAN tagging will be used on this port, select the **Enable virtual LAN identification** button. Click **Apply** and repeat for each virtual machine port. Click **OK** when all network adapters have been created.



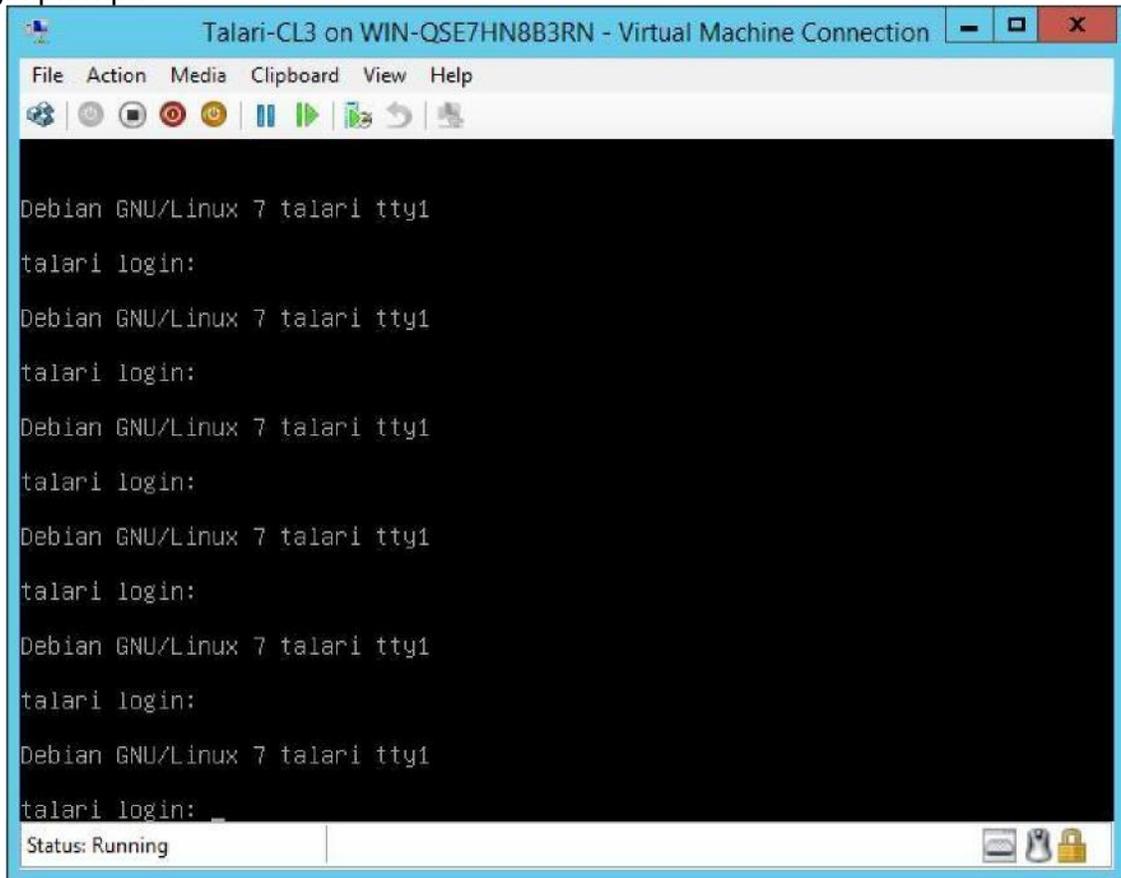
- Finally, the Memory Weight for the Virtual Appliance must be set to High. Select **Memory** from the Hardware dropdown menu. Ensure that the slider for **Memory Weight** is set to **High**, then click **Apply**.



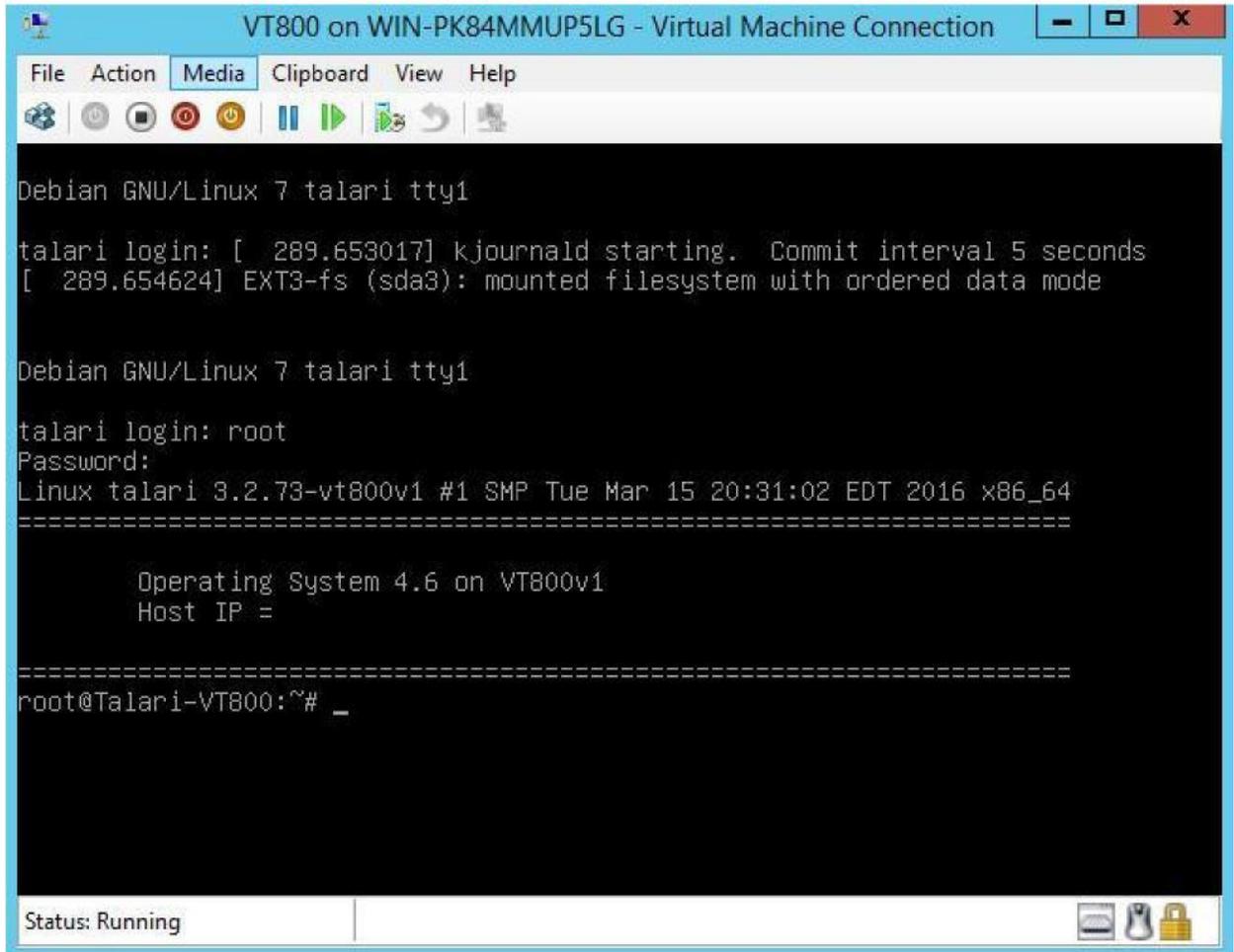
18. At this point the Virtual Appliance is ready for boot. Click **Start** from the VM's dropdown menu, then **Connect** to console into the device.



2. Verify that the Virtual Appliance boots properly by hitting return to get the login prompt.



20. Log into the Virtual Appliance using the default credentials (talariuser) and determine the management IP address as displayed at login as Host IP. If DHCP is not configured for this Ethernet segment, there will not be an IP address displayed at login (see below) so the user will have to manually configure the management IP address on the Talari.



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VT800 on WIN-PK84MMUP5LG - Virtual Machine Connection
File Action Media Clipboard View Help
Debian GNU/Linux 7 talari tty1
talari login: [ 289.653017] kjournald starting. Commit interval 5 seconds
[ 289.654624] EXT3-fs (sda3): mounted filesystem with ordered data mode
Debian GNU/Linux 7 talari tty1
talari login: root
Password:
Linux talari 3.2.73-vt800v1 #1 SMP Tue Mar 15 20:31:02 EDT 2016 x86_64
=====
      Operating System 4.6 on VT800v1
      Host IP =
=====
root@Talari-VT800:~# _
Status: Running
  
```

To manually configure a management IP address on the Virtual Appliance:

- Run the **tcon** command to acquire the Talari console.
- Run the **management_IP** command.
- At the **set_management_ip>** prompt type **set interface** followed by the **IP**, **subnet mask**, and **gateway** (e.g., **set interface 172.16.28.31 255.255.255.0 172.16.0.6**).
- Hit Enter.
- Type **apply** and hit Enter.
- Run **main_menu** to exit.

Once access to the management IP has been confirmed, you may configure and license the Virtual Appliance.

Configure and License the Virtual Appliance

26. If you intend to deploy your Virtual Appliance as a Network Control Node, skip to step 6. Otherwise, access the **Talari Configuration Editor** available from the web console of your Network Control Node or your Talari Aware instance.
27. From the **Talari Configuration Editor**, modify your current Talari Configuration to include the Virtual Appliance as a new Site or as an update to an existing Site.
28. Under **Sites** → **[Virtual Appliance Site Name]** → **Basic Settings**, when you choose a Virtual Appliance model from the **Model** drop-down menu, you will also be given the option to choose the correct license from the **License** drop-down menu.

The screenshot displays the 'Basic Settings' configuration window for a virtual appliance. The 'Model' dropdown menu is open, showing the following options: Custom Rate, Unlimited (checked), No License, 20Mbps, 40Mbps, 100Mbps (highlighted), and 200Mbps. The 'Appliance Name' field contains 'bp-cl4-vt800'. The 'Secure Key' field contains '6878ebbfd2a2bdc' with a 'Regenerate' button below it. The 'Mode' dropdown is set to 'secondary NCN'. The 'Gateway ARP Timer (ms)' field is set to '1000'. There is a 'Cost' field with a small input box. At the bottom, there is a checkbox for 'Enable Source MAC Learning' and 'Apply' and 'Close' buttons.

29. Stage the modified Talari Configuration on your network as you would any other Talari configuration change.

5. Download the staged Appliance Package for the Virtual Appliance to your local workstation.
30. Open any supported browser and navigate to the management IP of the Virtual Appliance. At the **Login** prompt enter the following credentials and click **Login**:
Login: talariuser
Password: password created
31. Request a license for the Virtual Appliance by submitting the **Hardware Identifier** (found on the **Home** page when you log in) to your Talari Sales Representative. Your Sales Representative will issue a Talari License file based on the performance level you specified.
Note: If you have a pre-prepared Appliance Package for the Virtual Appliance, continue with step 8. If you do not have a pre-prepared Appliance Package for the Virtual Appliance, click **Advanced Config** to manually configure and license your Virtual Appliance.
32. Under **One Touch Start**, click **Browse** and select the pre-prepared Appliance Package from your workstation.

Home

One Touch Start

Apply Package
(Choose File First)

Browse_ No file selected. ?

Advanced Config

NCN Client ?

For documentation, visit [Talari Support](#) (registration required).

System Status

Name:	
Model:	VT800
Management IP Address:	192.168.200.253
Software Version:	R5_1_TNET_04112016
OS Partition Version:	4.6
Hardware Identifier:	564d4c35-305d-1574-ec81-fa987475b80d

33. Select **Client** or Network Control Node (**NCN**) and click **Apply Package**.

10. Once the Appliance Package is uploaded the **Client Setup Complete** (or **NCN Setup Complete**) page will load.

Client Setup Complete

You have selected Client Mode, and have successfully uploaded the appropriate registry and software package. Next, please upload the license file for this appliance. Once the license is successfully uploaded, it will be safe to enable this appliance.

No file selected.

For documentation, visit [Talari Support](#) (registration required).

Note: The Talari Service starts automatically, but before you can take advantage of the performance level you purchased a license for, you must upload the license to the Virtual Appliance. An unlicensed Virtual Appliance will override the permitted rates of all configured WAN Links so their total does not exceed 10 Mbps full-duplex (i.e., 20 Mbps total).

11. Download the Talari License file issued by your Talari Sales Representative to your workstation. From this page or the **Manage Appliance** → **License Information** page, click the **Browse** button and choose the Talari License file you downloaded.
1. Click **Upload License**. The page will reload to display your **License Information**.

Manage Appliance / **License Information**

Upload License for this Appliance

Upload a license file to this appliance.

Filename: No file chosen

Talari service must be restarted for license file to take effect.

License Information

Issued To: Chris Parsons

Unique Identifier: 564db762-bd5a-f04d-fc91-6f701cc6637c

Model: VT800

Capacity: Unlimited

License Identifier: 6f52213d220e4a775f00f5096e9981a3

Download License for this Appliance

A text file containing the signed license for this appliance

System Info

Hardware Model: VT800

Software Version: R7_1_GA_11142017

Hardware Identifier: 564db762-bd5a-f04d-fc91-6f701cc6637c

Note: In order for the license to take effect, the Talari Service must be restarted.

Important: When shutting down Virtual Appliances deployed on Hyper-V, use the “Shut Down” option rather than the “Turn Off” option to ensure graceful shutdown. If the “Turn Off” option is used, the Virtual Talari Appliance may not start up properly.

Microsoft Azure

Virtual Appliances deployed on Microsoft Azure are subject to the following configuration limitations:

- Azure does not support layer 2 bridging; therefore, the Talari Passthrough Service is not supported in Virtual Appliances deployed on Azure.
- Azure supports one subnet per virtual interface, therefore only one VLAN can be supported on a Talari Interface Group.

Note: This document describes a basic setup of a Virtual Appliance in the Microsoft Azure cloud, at a single Azure location, within a single VNET. For assistance with deploying more complex Azure configurations, please contact Talari support.

Prerequisites

Microsoft Azure

- Administrative access to your Azure Portal
- Active Azure Subscription & Azure Location
- Active Registration to the following Resource Providers:
 - Microsoft.Network
 - Microsoft.Compute
 - Microsoft.Storage
- Sufficient amount of compute resources available in the Resource Group that you are deploying in (ex. Number of vCPUs available)
- Azure Express Route (if required)

Talari

- A valid Talari License
 - In order to acquire a Talari License, you will first need to spin-up the new appliance so that you can obtain the UUID of the appliance.
 - Once a UUID has been obtained from the appliance, please contact your Account Team who will assist you with procuring a valid license that will need to be applied to the Virtual Appliance before service can be enabled.
- A Talari Appliance Package for the specific site being deployed (available from your NCN's Change Management Page once the configuration containing the new site has been staged)

Preparing for Deployment

Supported Topologies

Talari supports 3 basic topologies for Microsoft Azure:

Single WAN Link Using Azure Public IP Address

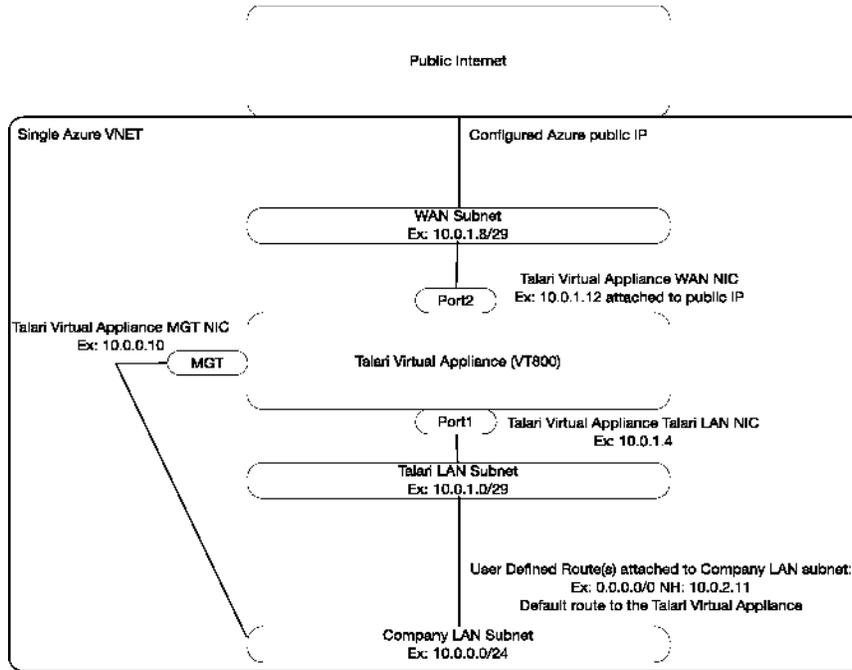


Figure 1. Sample Topology for Single WAN Link using Azure Public IP Address

Single WAN Link Using Azure Express Route

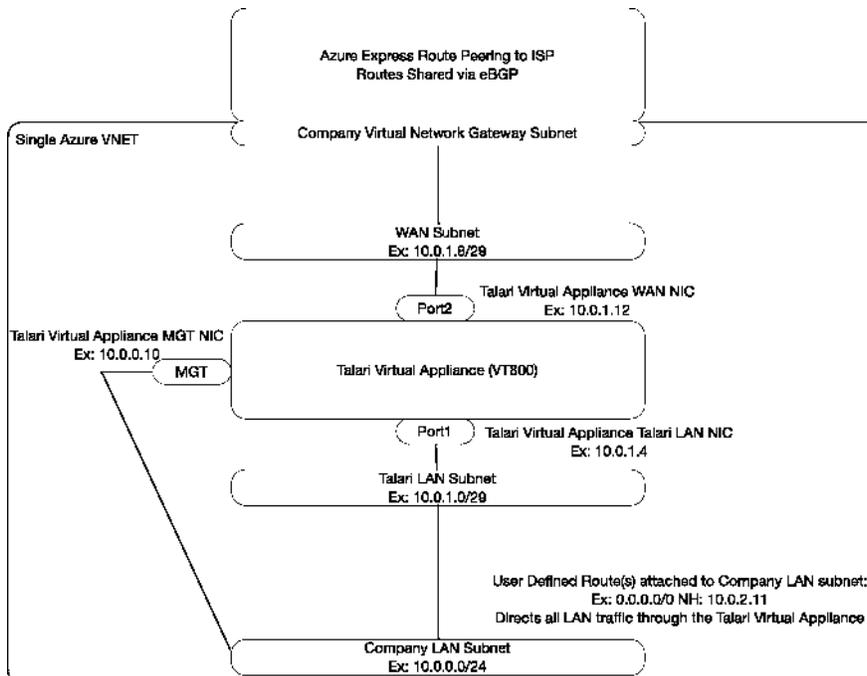


Figure 2. Sample Topology for Single WAN Link using Azure Express Route
Dual WAN Link using Azure Public IP address and Azure Express Route

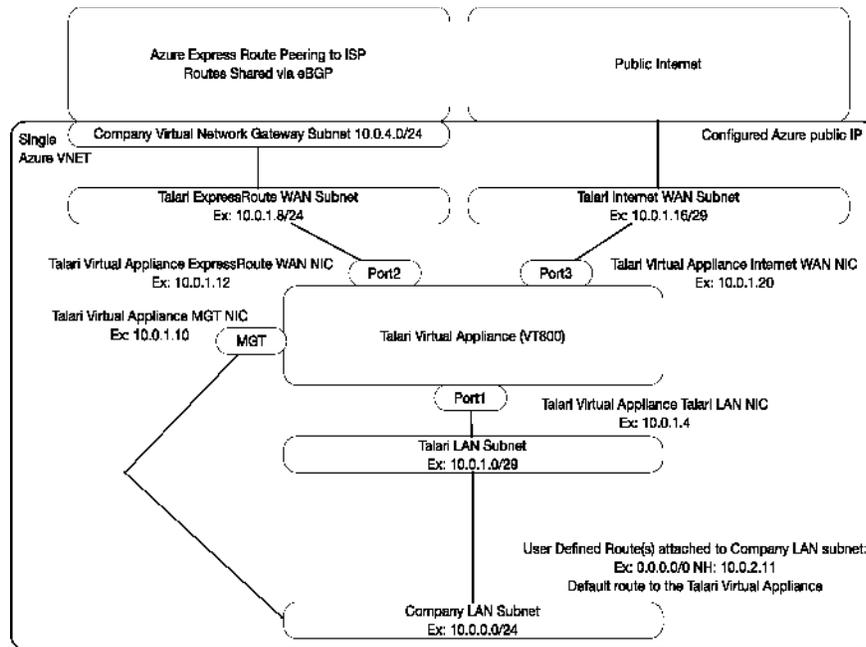


Figure 3. Sample Topology for Dual WAN Links with Azure Public IP and Azure Express Route

Notes

1. Standard deployment of the Virtual Appliance with a single public WAN Link requires two Public IP Addresses:
 - a. One for permanent use by the Talari WAN VIP.
 - b. One for permanent or temporary use by the Talari MGT IP:
 - i. Permanent Public IP – if you wish to have the MGT accessible via Public IP permanently.
 - ii. Temporary Public IP – if you wish to temporarily access the Virtual Talari Appliance and then remove the Public IP access once Conduit MGT access has been established.
2. The Azure Virtual Appliance requires dedicated LAN and WAN subnets for Talari use only.
3. Other subnets that exist in your Azure environment can be connected to the Talari LAN subnet via User Defined Routes.
4. If Internet service is required at the Virtual Appliance site, the Talari Configuration must utilize a Dynamic Outbound PAT to the Public IP Address of the Virtual Appliance's WAN VIP.
5. IP forwarding must be enabled on all Azure NICs connected to the Virtual Appliance, with the exception of the MGT NIC.
6. All required NICs must be attached to the Virtual T Appliance prior to enabling the Talari service on the virtual appliance.
7. If requirements dictate more complex topologies, please consult with Talari to ensure supportability.

Prepare Your Azure Environment

Please refer to the Prerequisites section above to ensure successful setup of your Virtual Appliance in the Azure Environment.

VM Size Requirements

Choose a VM size most appropriate for your deployment scenario and performance requirements. Deploying a virtual machine that does not meet the requirements is not supported. Additionally, this may result in instability and/or suboptimal performance of the Virtual Appliance.

Please see the **Virtual Machine Specifications** chart on page 6 and the **WAN Optimization System Specifications** chart on page 7 for supported requirement performance specifications.

Addressing Guidelines & Planning

Before creating or appropriating Microsoft Azure resources, determine how many IP subnets will be required by reviewing the supported topologies discussed above along with your configuration needs. For standard deployment, define a minimum of:

34. A unique Address Space for the Virtual Network (VNET).
35. At least one Company LAN subnet for company assets contained within that VNET.
36. A unique, Talari LAN subnet contained within that VNET.
37. A WAN subnet contained within the VNET for each WAN Link.
38. LAN & WAN VIPs for the Virtual Appliance, contained within their respective subnets.
39. Optional (for MGT): you may choose to leave your MGT address accessible via Public IP, place it into your already-existing Company LAN Subnet, or create an entirely new MGT Subnet for the Interface. In this example, we will assume that the MGT Interface and MGT IPs will live on the Company LAN Subnet as discussed in the topology overview.

Single WAN Link Example

- VNET Address Space: 10.0.0.0/23
- Existing Company LAN Subnet: 10.0.0.0/24
- Talari LAN Subnet: 10.0.1.0/24
 - Talari LAN Virtual IP (VIP): 10.0.1.11/24
- Talari WAN Subnet: 10.0.2.0/24
 - Talari WAN Virtual IP (VIP): 10.0.2.11/24
- Talari MGT Virtual IP (VIP): 10.0.0.4

Note: Subnet size prefixes as small as /29 may to be used. Smaller subnets are not permitted by Azure due to the requirements of their reserved IP addresses. The first three addresses in each subnet are reserved by Azure for their internal services and cannot be assigned to the Virtual Appliance.

Create Network Resources

Prior to deploying a Virtual Appliance, you should ensure that you have all the Microsoft Azure resources required by your topology and configuration. If you have already gathered the required resources, please skip ahead to the **“Deploy the Virtual Appliance”** section below. If you do not have already-existing Microsoft Azure resources that can be used for the Virtual Appliance, the following steps will walk through the process of creating each of the following: Resource Groups, VNET, Subnets, Route Tables, Network Security Groups, Public IPs, and Virtual NICs.

Resource Group

If you are not using an existing Azure Resource Group, you will need to create a new resource group in your chosen region. To create a new resource group, select “Resource Groups” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu, and click “Add.” Enter a name for the Resource Group, select the Subscription and Location, then click “Create.”

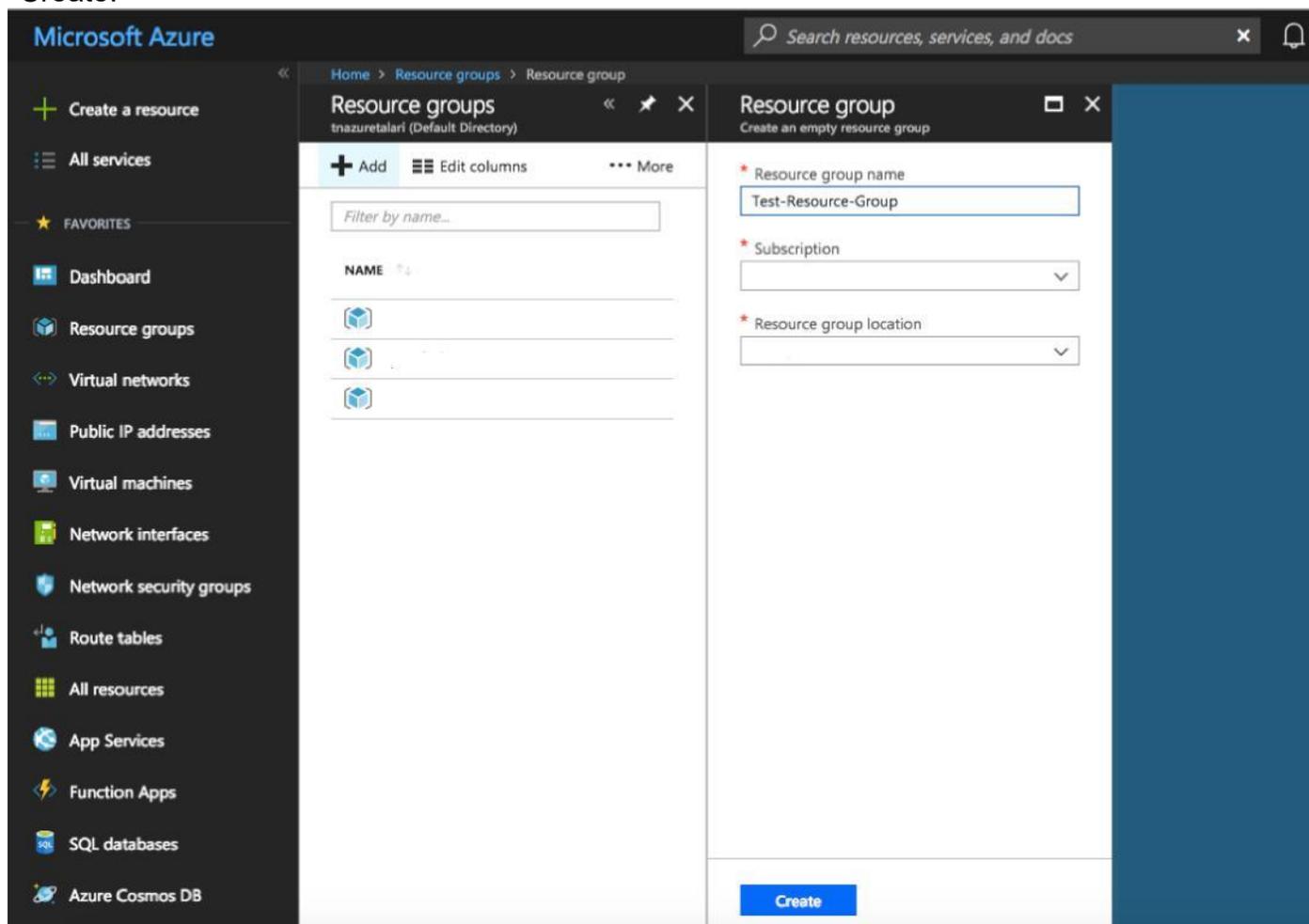


Figure 4. Create Resource Group

Virtual Network (VNET)

If you do not have an already-existing VNET with free Address Space, you will need to create a new VNET or alter an existing VNET to include the Address Space you defined in the “Addressing Guidelines & Planning” section.

To create a new VNET:

40. Select “Virtual Network” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu.
41. Select “Add” to create a new VNET.
42. Enter a Name for the VNET.
43. Type the Address Space defined in the “Addressing Guidelines & Planning” section.
44. Select the Resource Group and Location defined in the “What You Need Before Starting” section.
45. Give the Subnet (one that will be created for the VNET) a Name and type the Address Range defined above in the “Addressing Guidelines & Planning” section above.
46. Select “Basic” for DDoS protection and click “Create.”

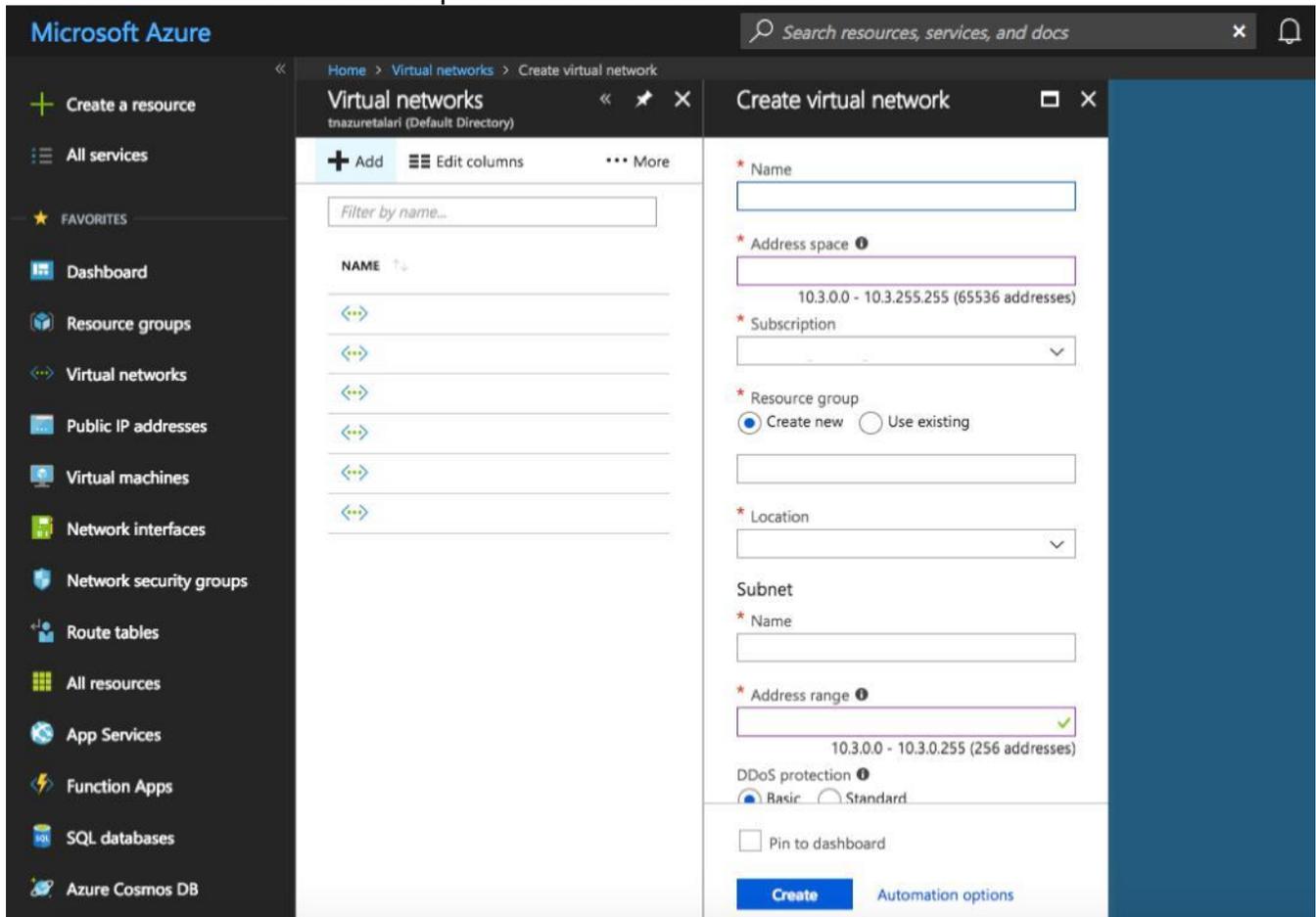


Figure 5. Create VNET

To modify an existing VNET:

3. Select “Virtual Network” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu.
4. Select an existing VNET and select “Address Space” and “Subnets” to alter an existing VNET.

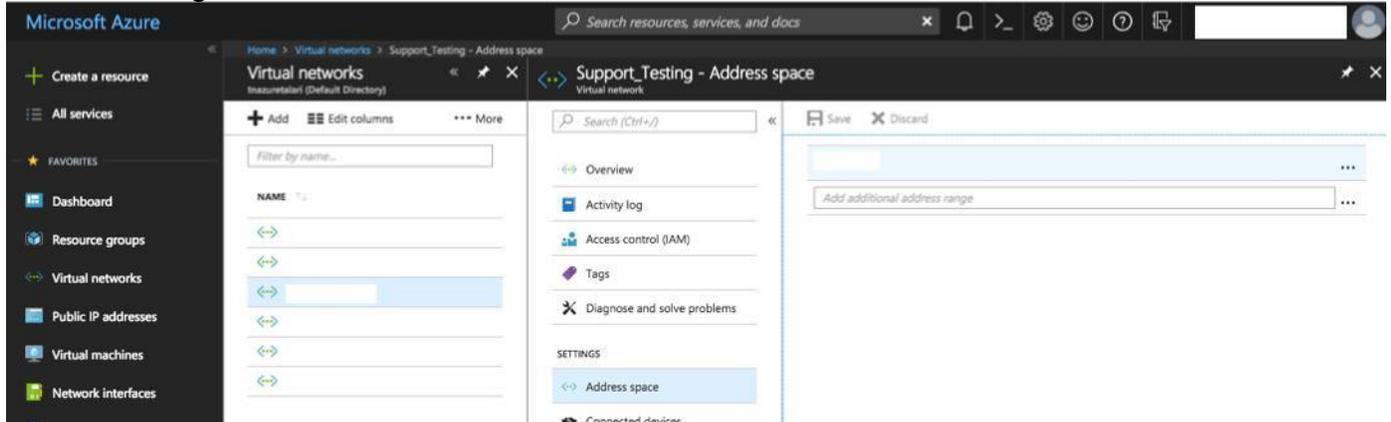


Figure 6. Modify VNET

Subnets

Create the Subnets defined in the “Addressing Guidelines & Planning” section above. To create a new Subnet:

5. Select “Virtual Network” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu.
6. Select the desired VNET.
7. Select “Subnets”.
8. Click the “+ Subnet” button to create a new subnet within the Address Space of the VNET.
9. Repeat for each required Subnet.

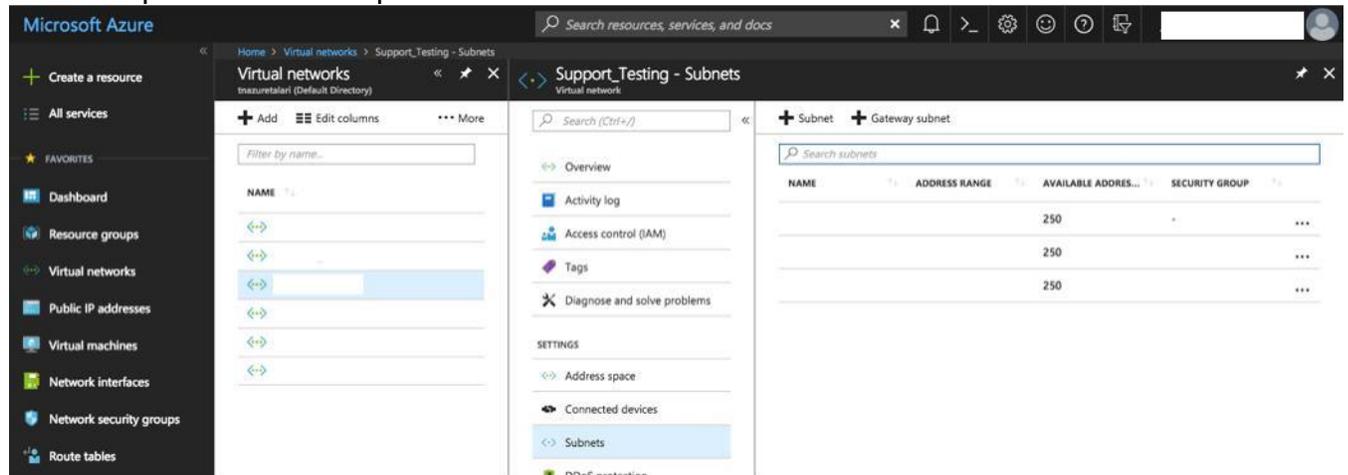


Figure 7. Create Subnet

Route Tables

Route Tables will need to be created for each Subnet created above. The following routes are required for each Subnet’s Route Table:

- MGT – 0.0.0.0/0 Internet
- LAN – next hop set as Company LAN Subnet
- WAN – 0.0.0.0/0 Internet

To create a new Route Table:

6. Select “Route Tables” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu.
7. Click “+ Add.”
8. Enter a Name for the Route Table.
9. Select the Subscription and Location chosen in the “Prerequisites” section above.
10. Enable BGP route propagation if desired.
11. Click “Create.”
12. Repeat for each required Route Table.

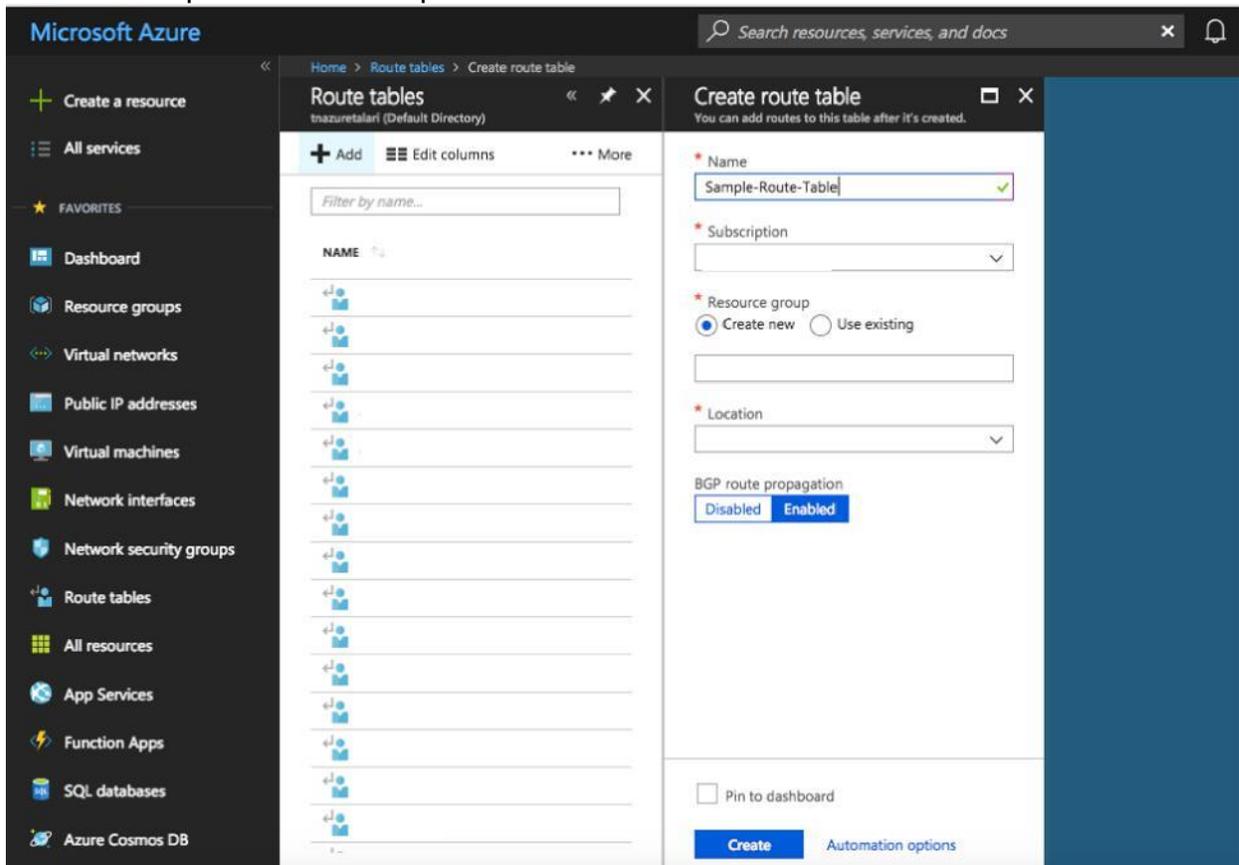


Figure 8. Create Route Table

Once created, the new Route Table will have to be modified to include all required routes, with a minimum of the above-discussed routes included in each Subnet’s Route Table.

To modify an existing Route Table:

13. Select “Route Tables” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu.
14. Select the desired Route Table.
15. Select “Routes.”
16. Click “+ Add” to add a new route.

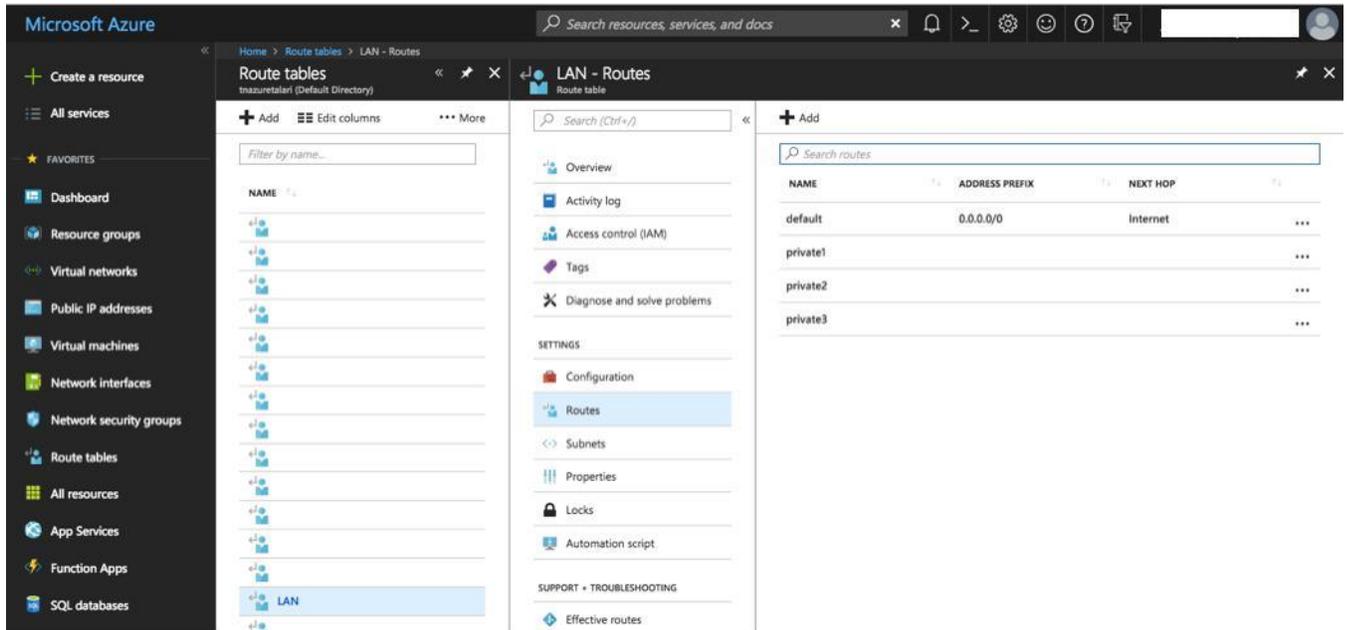
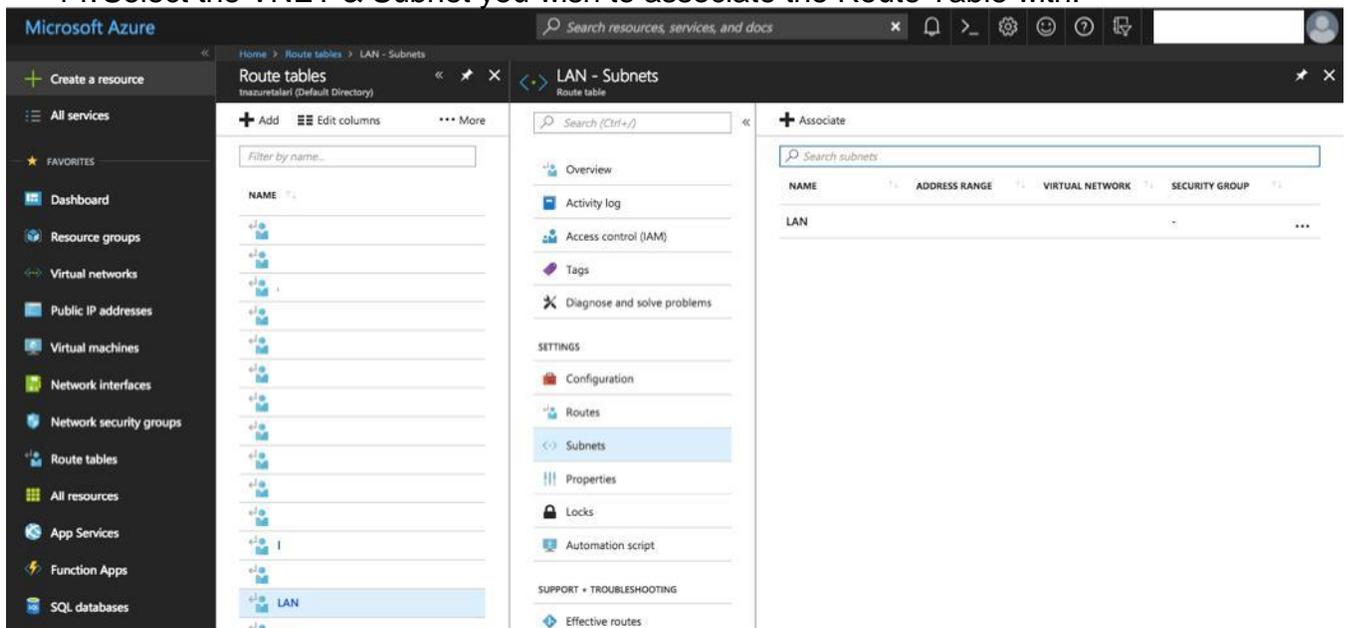


Figure 9. Modify Route Table

Once all required routes are added to the newly-created Route Tables, each Route Table will need to be associated with the appropriate Subnet. To associate a Subnet with a Route Table:

10. Select “Route Tables” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu.
11. Select the Route Table you wish to associate with a Subnet.
12. Select “Subnets.”
13. Click “+ Associate.”
14. Select the VNET & Subnet you wish to associate the Route Table with.



Note: You may also need to add routes to your already-existing Company LAN Subnet(s) so they can route traffic to the newly-created Subnets.

Network Security Groups (NSGs)

You will need to create two Network Security Groups (NSGs): one for the MGT Interface (to be created in a later step) and one for the WAN Interface (to be created in a later step).

The following rules must to be added for both inbound and outbound traffic for the MGT & WAN NSGs:

- NSG-MGT - Permit TCP 443 | Permit TCP 22 (for browser & SSH access)
- NSG-WAN - Permit UDP 2156-2157 (TRP access)

To create a new Network Security Group:

47. Select “Network Security Groups” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu.
48. Click “+ Add.”
2. Give the Network Security Group a Name.
49. Select the Subscription, Resource Group, and Location previously selected.
50. Click “Create.”

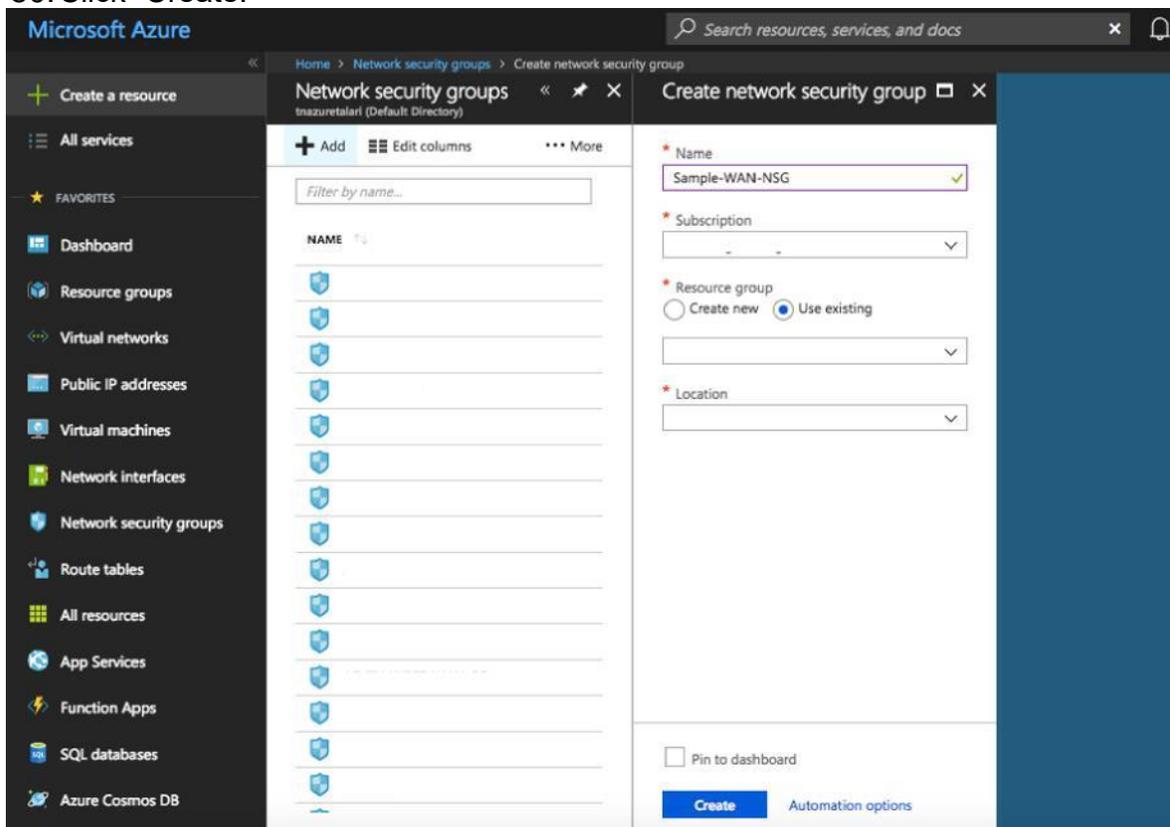


Figure 11. Create new Network Security Group

Once the new NSGs are created, the Inbound and Outbound Security Rules discussed above must to be added to each respective NSG.

To modify an existing NSG and/or a new Inbound/Outbound Security Rule to an existing NSG:

51. Select “Network Security Groups” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu.
52. Select the desired NSG.
53. Select “[Inbound | Outbound] security rules.”
54. Add rules as required.

Example Security Rule Configuration: An Inbound Rule allowing TRP Traffic (Talaria UDP 2156 traffic) requires the following parameters:

- Source: any
- Source Port Ranges: *
- Destination: any
- Destination Port Ranges: 2156
- Protocol: UDP
- Action: Allow

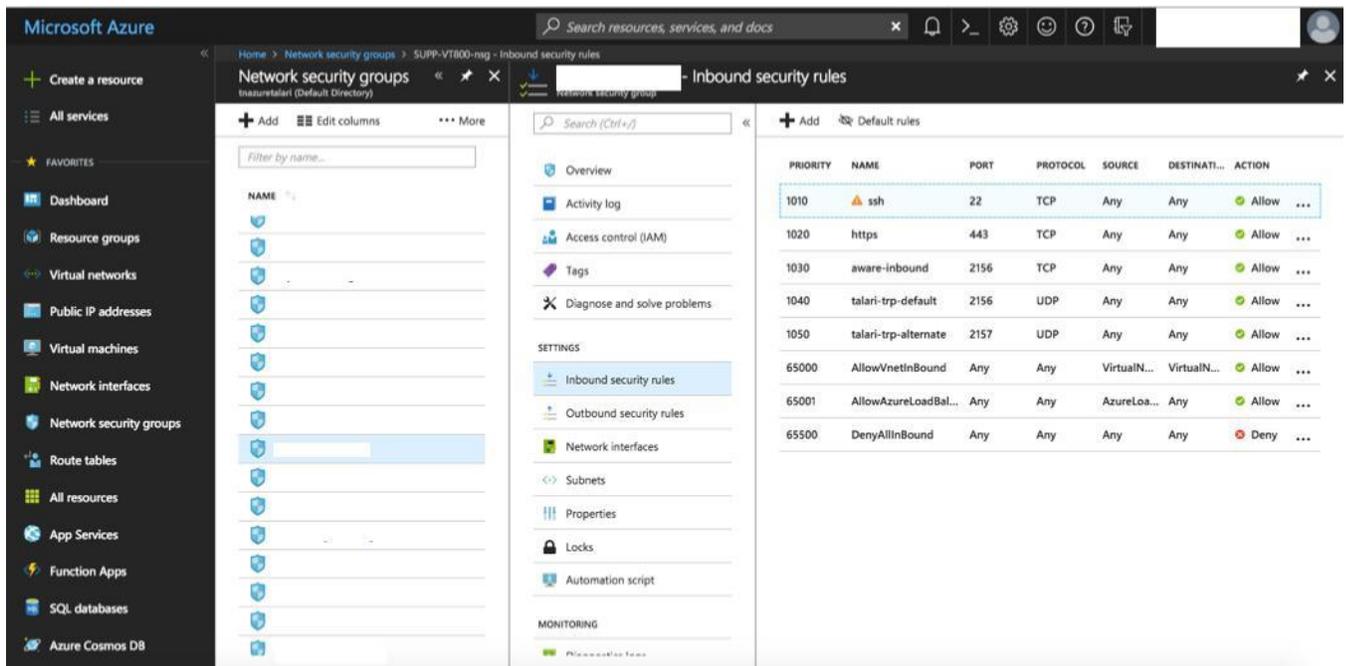


Figure 12. Create Inbound/Outbound Security Rule on NSG

Public IP Addresses

At a minimum, the Virtual Appliance requires 1 Public IP Address:

- WAN Pub IP – Public IP Address to be associated with the WAN Interface.
- MGT Pub IP – Public IP Address to be associated with the MGT Interface (optional once deployment is complete).

Note: The MGT Interface may be permanently associated with a Public IP if public MGT access is desired. Should MGT access be set-up through the Conduit, however, the temporary Pub IP created for the MGT Interface here can be de-allocated once a Talari Appliance Package has been applied to the Virtual Appliance and MGT access has been verified through the Conduit.

To Create a new Public IP Address:

17. Select “Public IP Addresses” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu.
18. Click “+ Add.”
19. Enter a name for the Public IP Address.
20. Select “Basic” for “SKU” and “IPv4” for IP Version.
21. Static IP addresses are recommended to guarantee use of same Public IP by the Virtual Appliance WAN Links.
22. Select the Resource Group and Location defined in the “What You Need Before Starting” section.
23. Click “Create.”

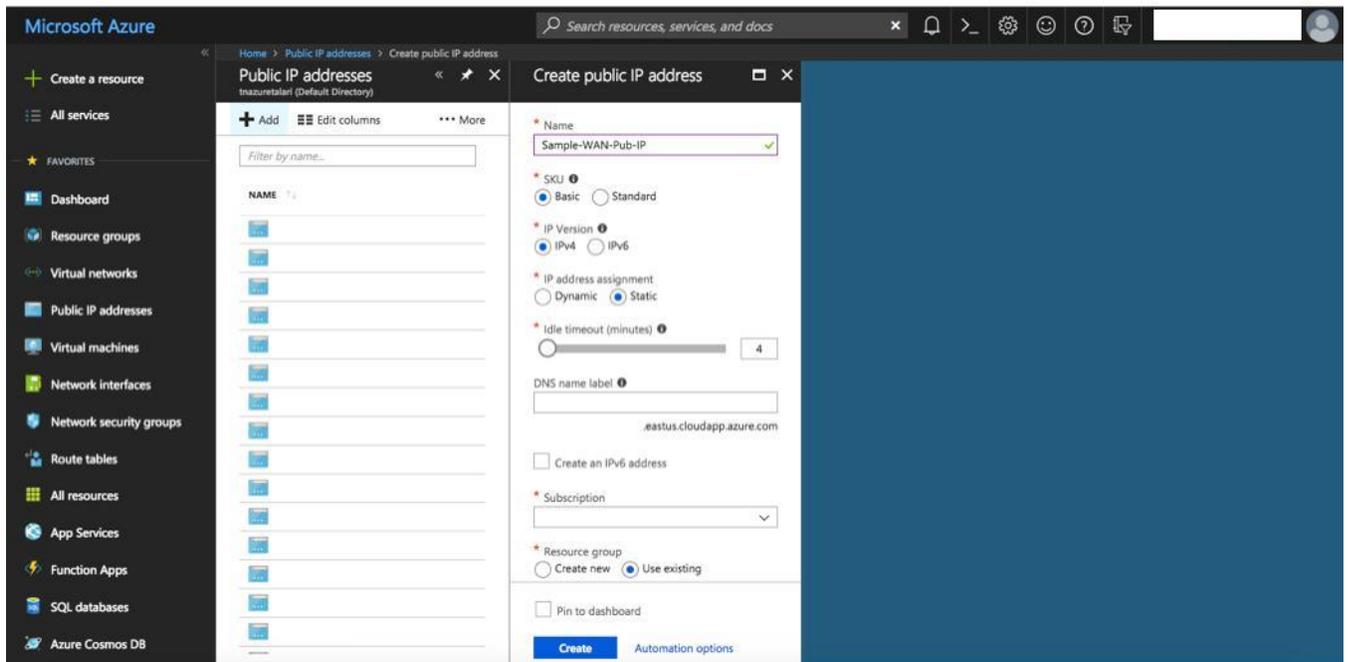


Figure 13. Create Public IP Address

Virtual Network Interfaces (NICs)

The Virtual Appliance requires 3 Virtual NICs at a minimum: one for MGT, one for LAN, and one for WAN. If additional WAN Links are used in the deployment, additional Interfaces will have to be created. Please contact Talari for assistance with advanced topology configuration & deployment.

To create a new Network Interface:

55. Select “Network Interfaces” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu.
56. Click “+ Add.”
57. Enter a name for the new Interface.
58. Select the VNET & Subnet to be associated with that Interface.
59. Choose “Static” IP Address Assignment and give your Interface an IP defined in the “Addressing Guidelines & Planning” section.
60. Select the Subscription, Resource Group, and Location defined in the “What You Need Before Starting” section.
61. Click “Create.”

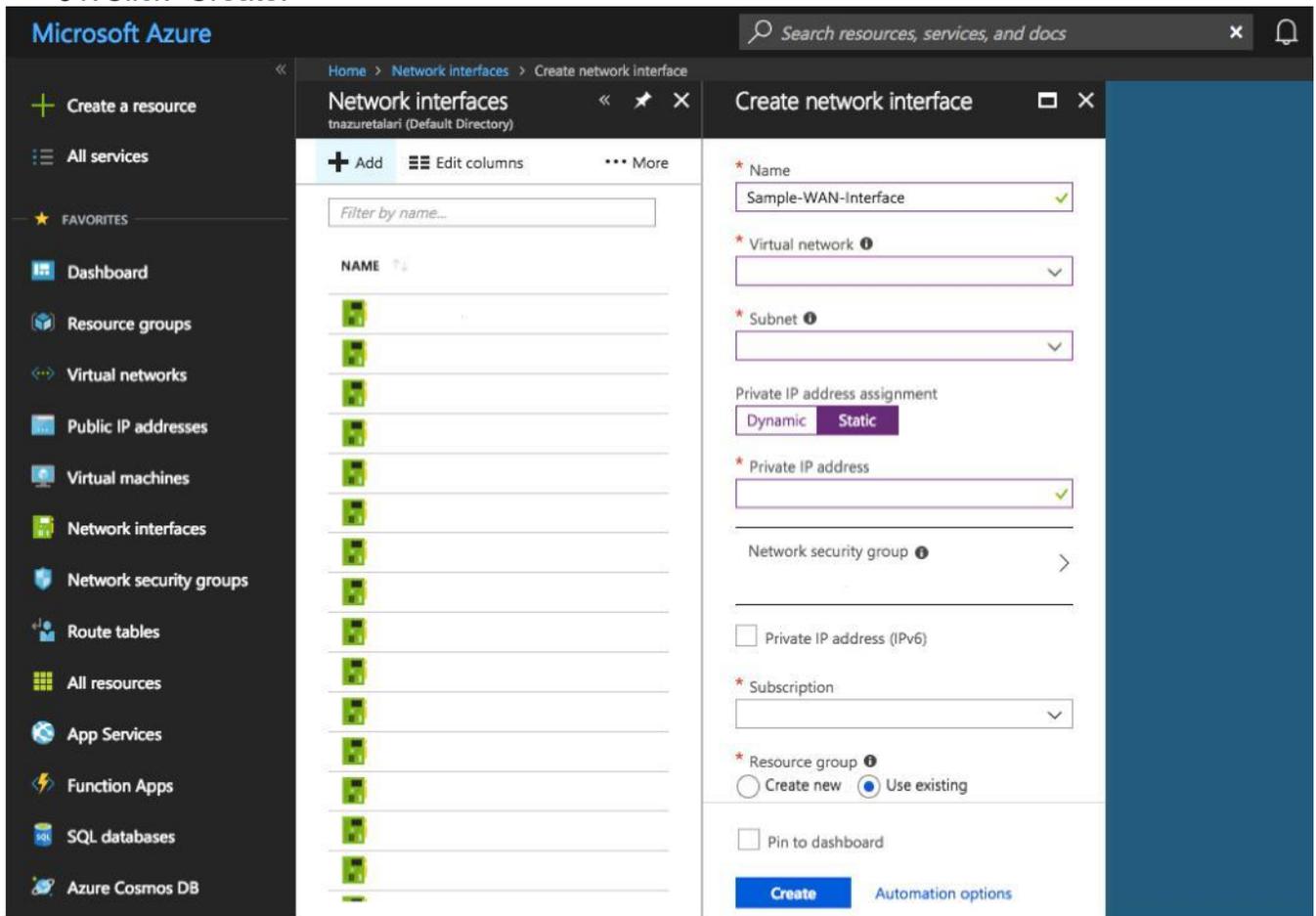


Figure 14. Create a Network Interface

Virtual NIC Configuration

The WAN and MGT Interfaces created above will have to be associated with a previously-created or already-existing Public IP Address and NSG. All Interfaces will also have to be configured for IP Forwarding.

To Associate a Public IP Address with a Virtual NIC:

24. Select “Public IP Addresses” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu.
25. Select a previously-created Public IP Address.
26. Click “Associate.”

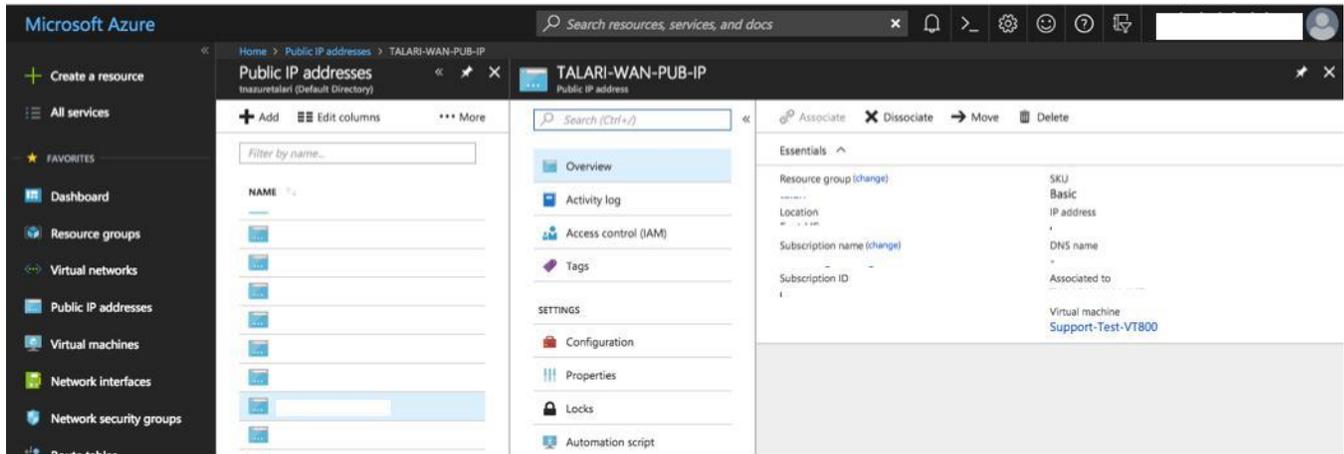


Figure 15. Associate Public IP to Network Interface

In the “Associate Public IP Address” sub-menu:

27. Select “Network Interface” as the Resource Type.
28. Select the appropriate Network Interface from the “Network Interface” selection menu.

To Associate a Network Security Group with a Virtual NIC:

29. Select “Network Security Groups” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu.
30. Select to a previously-created NSG.
31. Select “Subnets.”
32. Click “Associate.”

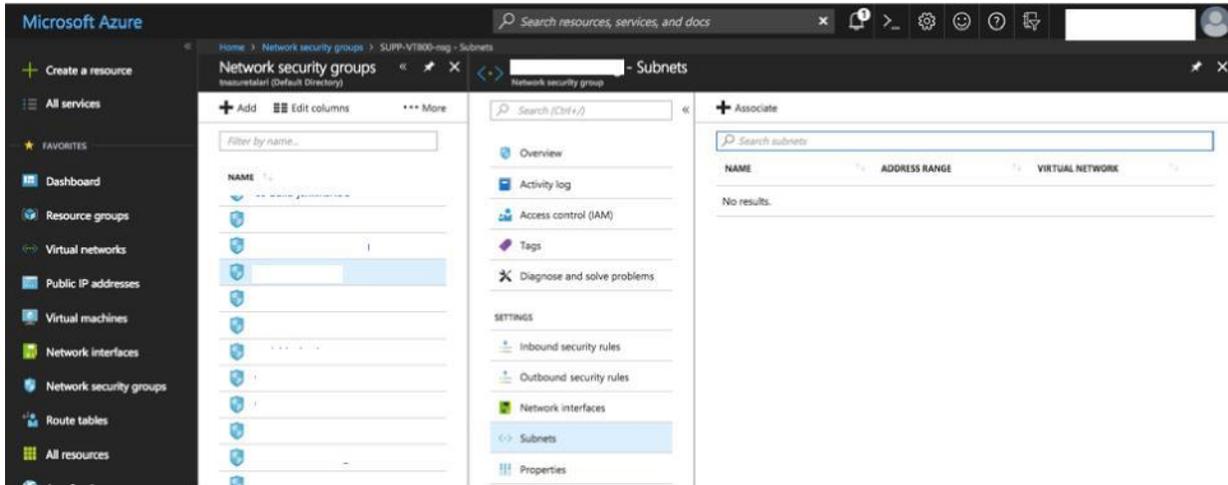


Figure 16. Associate Network Security Group with Virtual NIC

To enable IP Forwarding on a Virtual NIC:

15. Select “Network Interfaces” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu.
16. Select to a previously-created Virtual NIC.
17. Select “IP Configurations.”
18. “Enable” IP Forwarding and click “Save.”

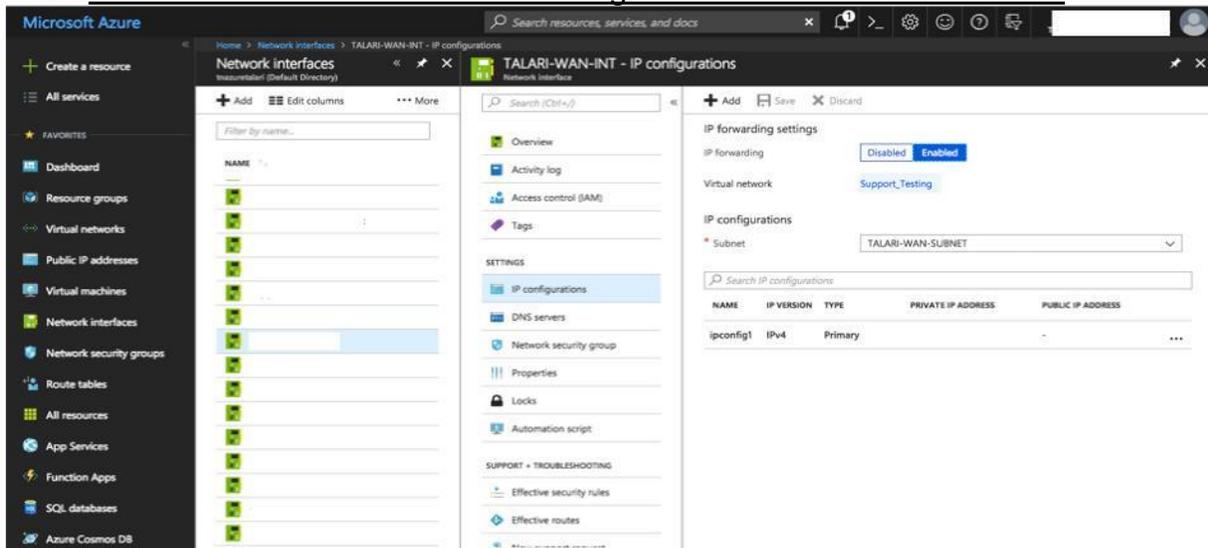


Figure 17. Enable IP Forwarding on Virtual NIC

Deploy The Virtual Appliance

Once all Azure Resources have been created, configured, and gathered, the Virtual Appliance is may be created.

To create a new Virtual Appliance:

62. Navigate to “Virtual Machines” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu
63. Click “+ Add.”
64. Search for “Talari” in the Azure Marketplace.
65. Select the “Talari Networks Virtual Appliance” image.
66. Click “Create”.

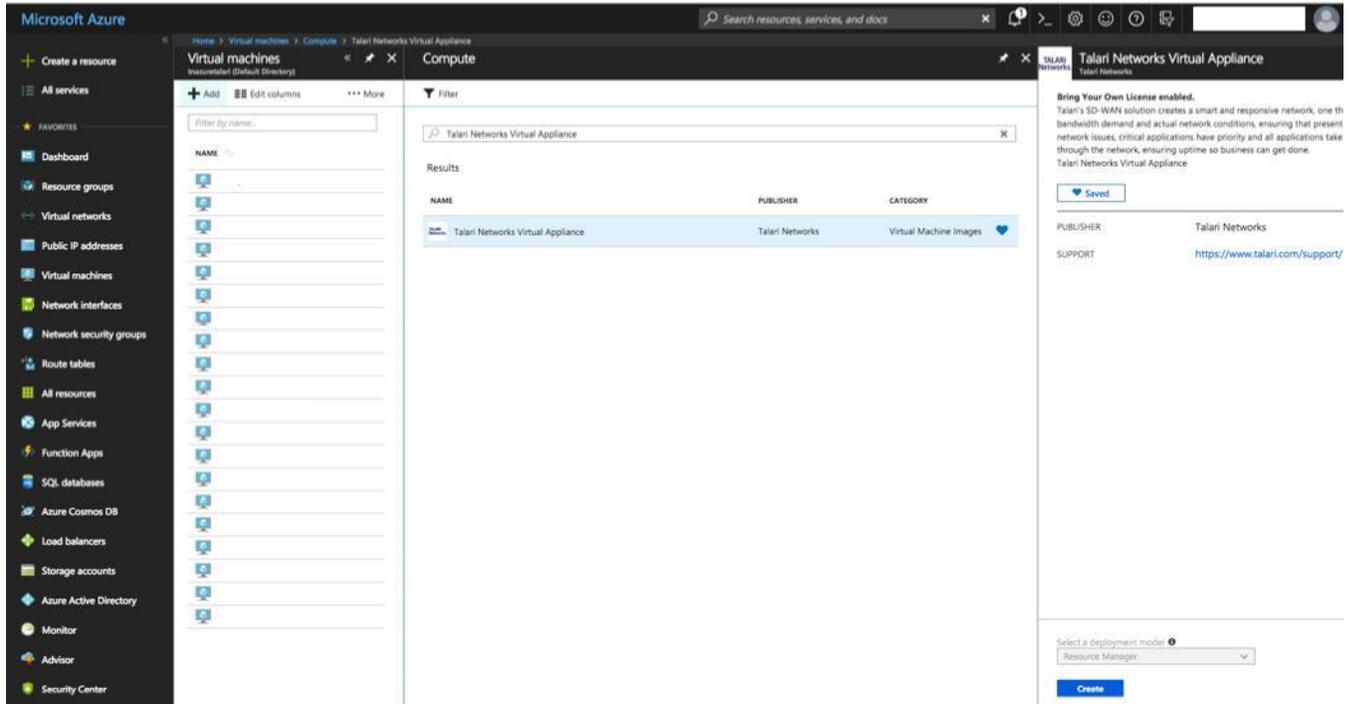


Figure 18. Select Marketplace Image

Once “Create” is clicked the page will redirect to a settings configuration sub-menu. In order to complete the Virtual Appliance creation process, the user must:

67. Configure basic settings.
68. Choose virtual machine size.
69. Configure optional features.
70. Confirm all appliance setting configurations.

Step 1: Configure Basic Settings

33. Enter a unique name for the Virtual Appliance.
34. Select “SSD” as the VM disk type.
35. Enter “talariuser” for the Username.
36. Set the Authentication type to “Password.”
37. Create a secure password for the “talariuser” account.
38. Select the Subscription, Resource Group, and Location defined in the “What You Need Before Starting” section.
39. Click “OK.”

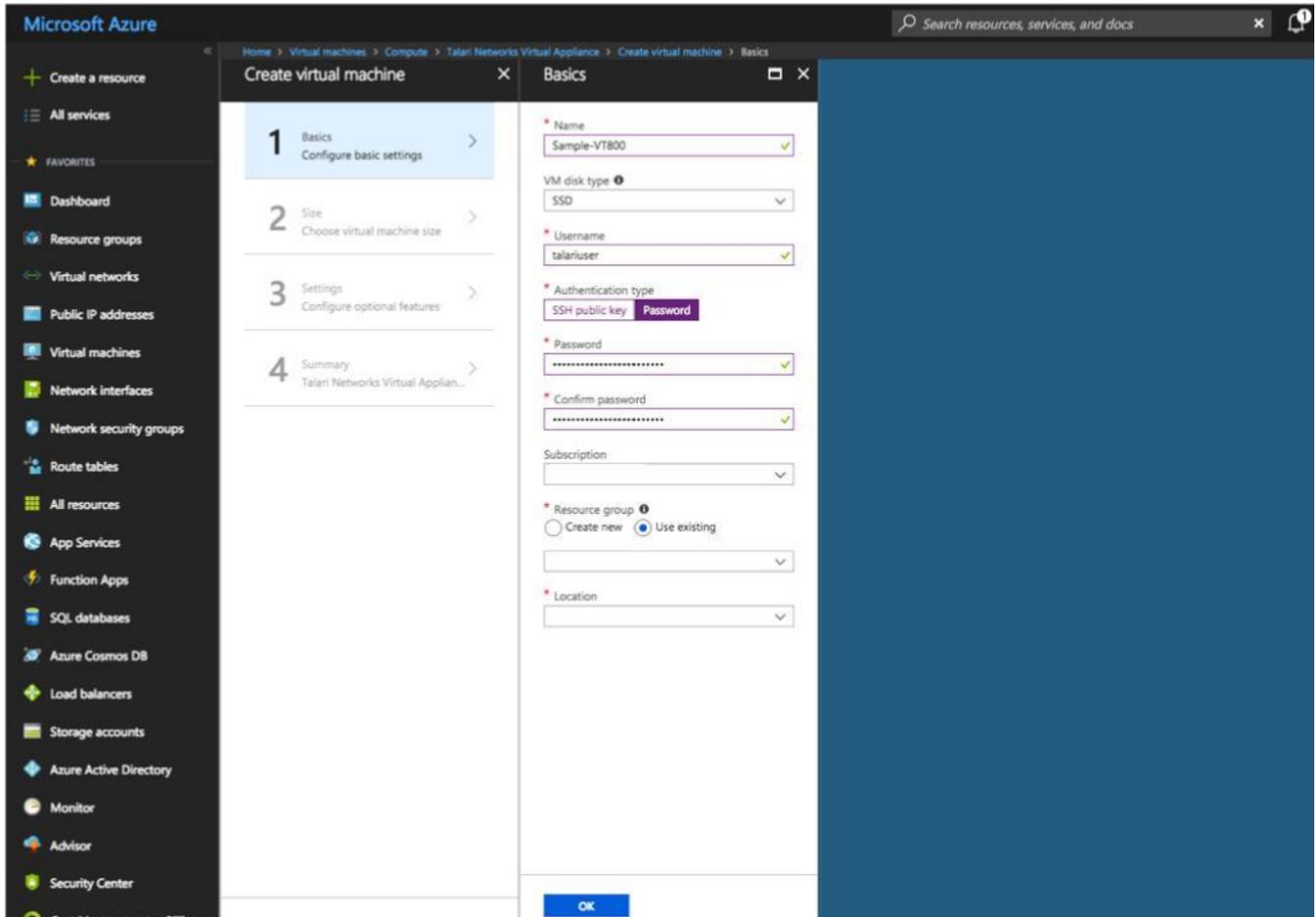


Figure 19. Create Virtual Machine: Configure Basic Settings

Step 2: Choose Virtual Machine Size

71. Select a desired VM size based your needs and the minimum supported requirements discussed in the “Prepare Your Azure Environment” section above.
72. Click “Select.”

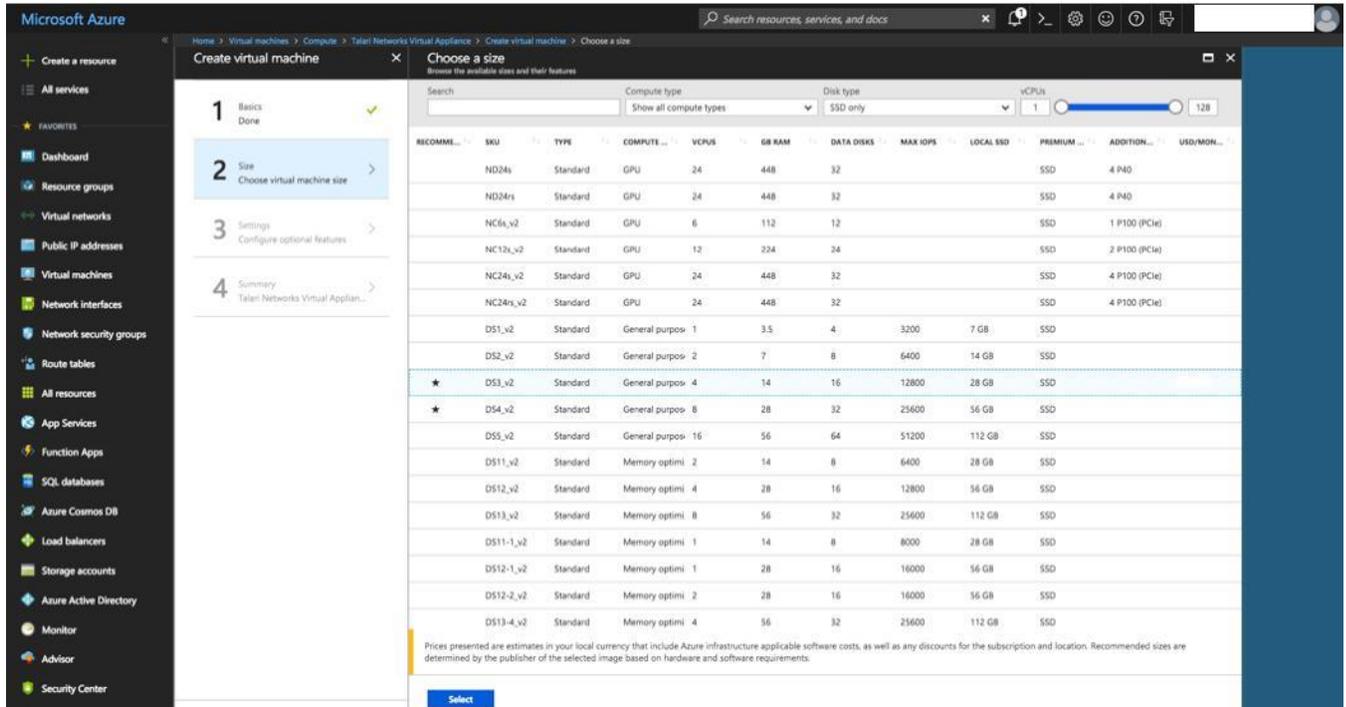


Figure 20. Create Virtual Machine: Select a VM Size

Step 3: Configure Optional Features

73. Leave “High Availability” at “None.”
74. Select “Yes” for “Use managed disks.”
75. Select the previously-created/designated VNET.
76. Select the previously-created Talari MGT Subnet.
77. Select the previously-created Talari MGT Public IP Address.
78. Select the previously-created Talari MGT NSG.
79. Select “Off” for the “Auto-shutdown” menu.
80. Enable “Monitoring.”
81. Select the auto-populated Diagnostic storage account.
82. Select “No” for the “Managed service identity” option.
83. Click “OK.”

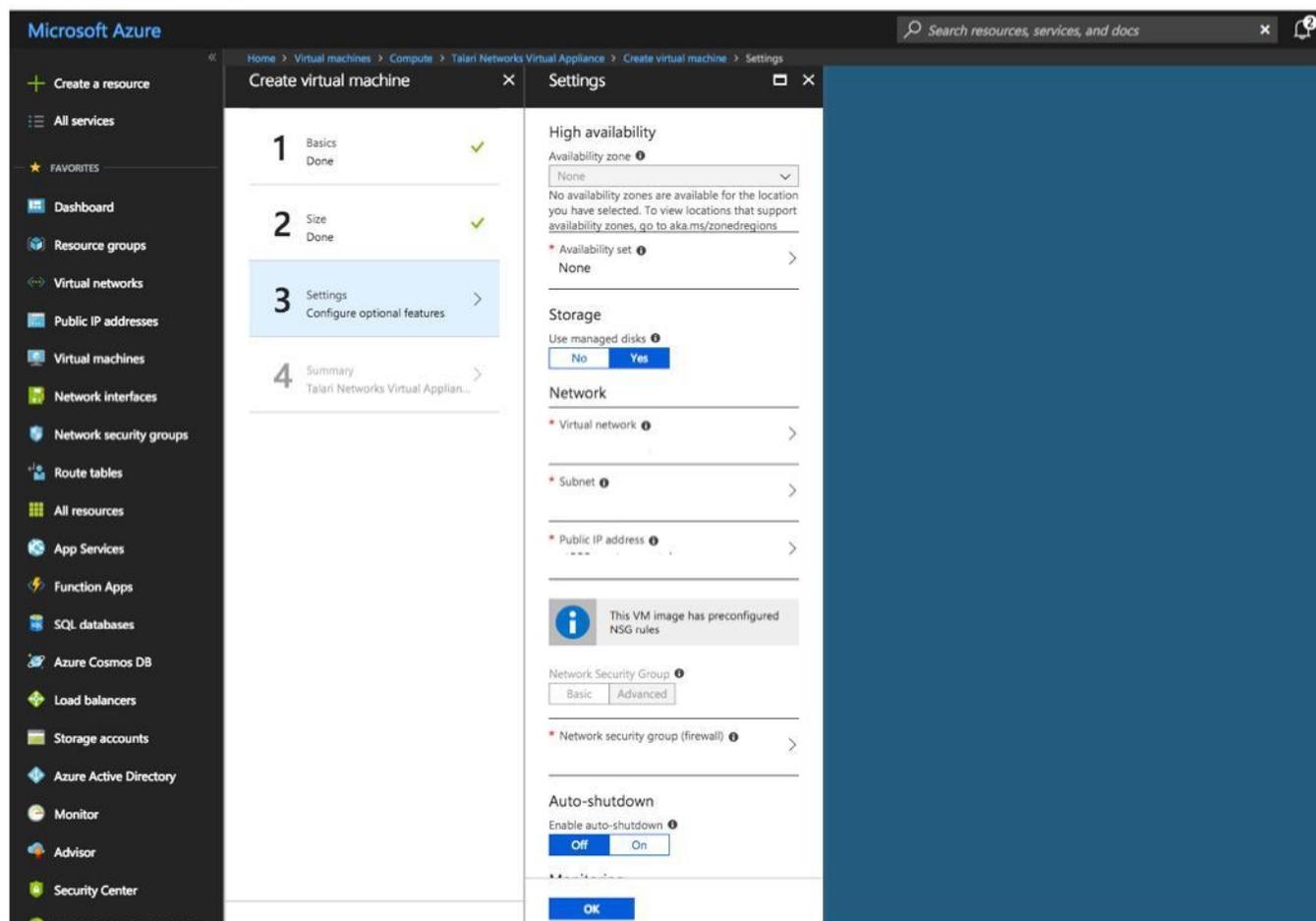


Figure 21. Create Virtual Machine: Configure Optional Features

Step 4: Summary and Deployment

84. Review the summary information and Terms of Use.
85. When satisfied and ready to accept the Terms of Use, click “Create” to build the Virtual Appliance. Wait until the deployment has completed (this can be verified in the notification window).

Note: Full appliance deployment will take up to 10 minutes.

Step 5: Add Additional Network Interfaces

Once deployed, navigate to the newly-created Virtual Appliance and stop it. You will need to add the additional LAN/WAN Interfaces.

To add a Virtual NIC to a Virtual Machine:

86. Navigate to “Virtual Machines” from “All Services” in the Azure Portal Menu .
87. Select the newly-created Virtual Appliance.
88. Select “Networking” from the VM Menu.
89. Click “Attach network interface.”

Note: The Talari Interfaces must be attached in the following order: MGT | LAN | WAN. Failure to do so will incorrectly associate the interfaces, resulting in non-operability.

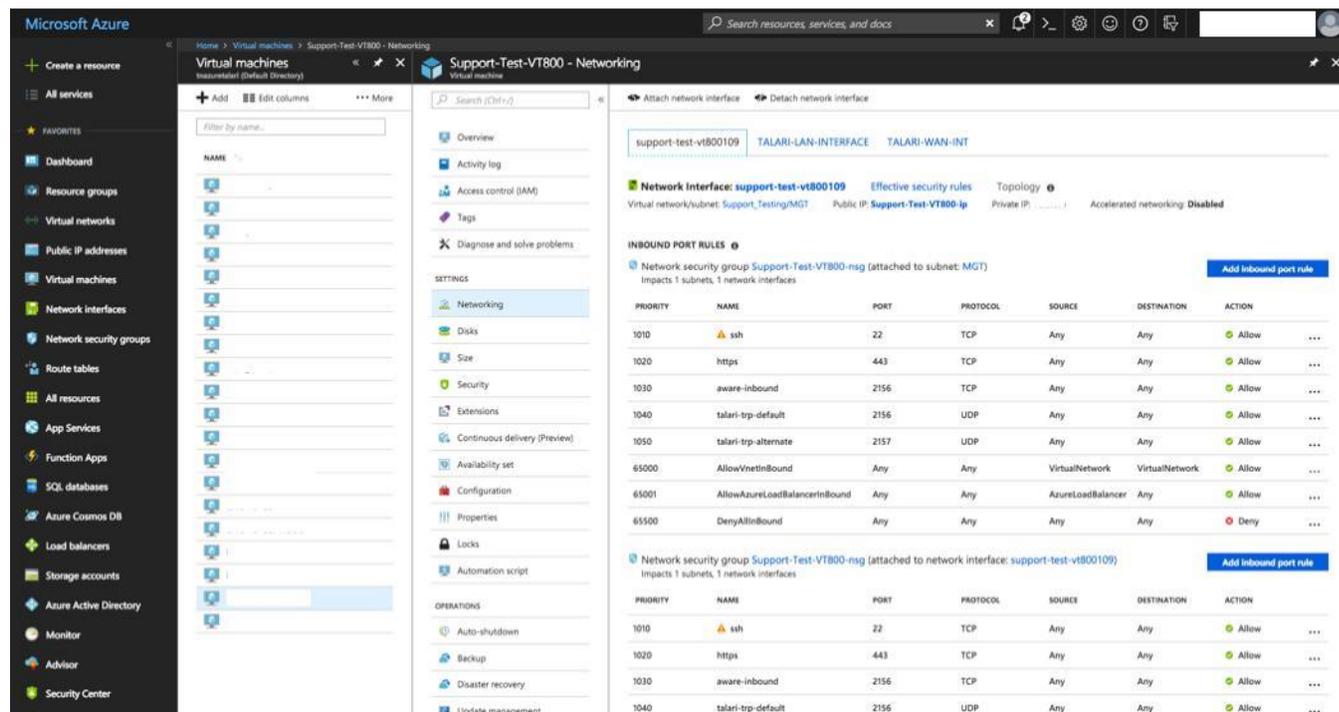


Figure 22. Attach Network Interface to VM

Verify all Public IPs, NSGs, Subnets, and NICs are configured, attached, and associated per the instructions above prior to turning the appliance back on.

Final Verification and Network Integration

90. Start the Virtual Appliance.
91. Navigate to the Public IP associated with the MGT Interface.

Note: Even after deployment is successful, it may take some time (up to 10 additional minutes) before the Talari management port will respond on the MGT IP as the Talari software activates. Unless you have custom security rules in place to allow ICMP, you will NOT be able to ping the MGT IP even when it is accessible.

3. Open a web browser and navigate to the Public IP. This should give you access to the standard Talari Web GUI. Use talariuser for the user and the password created during the VM creation process.
92. Install the initial configuration package for the Virtual Appliance site gathered in the “What You Need Before Starting” section. Follow the prompts on the screen to install the package.
93. Once the package has been installed, note your appliance UUID and reach out to the Talari Account Team for assistance with procuring a Virtual Appliance License.

Note: Do not enable service on the Virtual Appliance before a license has been applied.

6. Once a valid license has been obtained:
 - a. Navigate to **Manage Appliance > License Information** on the Virtual Appliance.
 - b. Upload the license obtained through the Talari Account Team.
7. Verify that the Virtual Appliance is connecting to the APN properly and that all paths are functioning as expected. This can be verified either on the Virtual Appliance side or the NCN.
8. Confirm connectivity from the new Virtual Appliance to the APN. At this point, the GUI should be accessible by the previously-defined private management IP. Once confirmed, the Public IP associated with the Talari Management Interface may be dissociated and removed so the Talari Web UI is no longer accessible via the Public IP if desired.

The Virtual Appliance in Azure should now be fully functional and integrated.

Talari WAN Deployment with a Virtual Appliance

Please note that the Virtual Appliance differs from physical Talari Appliances in that it does not support the following:

- High Availability (HA) appliance pairing
- Fail-to-Wire for Interface Groups
- Configuration of Ethernet Interface auto-negotiation, speed, or duplex settings through the Talari Appliance Web Console
- Appliance Reports for Temperature
