

ITS Private Cloud Command Line Interface Cheat Sheet

Global options account: vss-cli

Username	--username	VSS_API_USER env variable
Password	--password	VSS_API_USER_PASS env variable.
MFA TOTP Token	--totp	If MFA enabled, will be prompted.
Configuration Path	--config	Alternative configuration path.
NOTE: Default configuration file is available at <code>~/.vss-cli/config.yaml</code>		

Global options format: vss-cli

Table format to use	--table-format	csv, fancy_grid, github, grid, html, jira, ect.
Custom columns	--columns	Any VM attribute: moref, name, cpu_count, ip_address
Truncates column values	--columns-width	0: auto, -1: disable
Don't use headers	--no-headers	When printing tables
Sort output	--sort-by	Sort table by the jsonpath expression.
Output	--output	json yaml table auto ndjson

Virtual Machine deployment: vss-cli compute vm mk

Shell VM	<pre>shell \ --description="Ubuntu OS VM deployment" \ --client={client} --usage=Prod \ --os="ubuntu64Guest" --folder=VSS-CLI-VMs \ --memory={nGiB} --cpu={n} \ --net={netName} \ --disk={nGiB} --disk='{"capacity_gb": 100}' \ --iso {isoName} \ --extra-config disk.EnableUUID=TRUE \ --power-on \ --firmware efi \ ubuntu-2004-vm</pre>
Clone VM or Template	<pre>{from-clone from-template} \ --description={description} \ --source {sourceVM} \ --custom-spec '{"hostname": "ubuntu-clone", "domain": "local", "interfaces": [{"dhcp":true}]}' \ --power-on</pre>
Clone VM (from snapshot)	<pre>from-clone \ --snapshot {snapId} \ --description={description} \ --source {sourceVM} \ --custom-spec vm-clone-spec.yaml \ --power-on</pre>
CLI Spec (existing)	from-file {cli-spec-file}.{json yaml}
CLI Spec (new)	from-file --edit --save --spec-template {shell clib template clone}
NOTE: Retirement requests can be added to shell, from-clone, from-template, from-clib as follows: --retire-type {timedelta datetime}: Retirement request type. --retire-warning {n}: Days before retirement date to notify. --retire-value {hours},{days},{months}: Value for given retirement type.	

Virtual Machine query: vss-cli {ls|get {id}}

Search for vm	vss-cli compute vm ls
Search for vm by name	vss-cli compute vm ls -f name={vm-name}
Get a vm attribute	vss-cli compute vm get {id} {cpu memory disk state nic storage-type}

Virtual Machine query (advanced): vss-cli --columns

Search for a VM by IP address	--columns moref,name, folder.path,'disks[*].capacity_gib',cpu_count,\ memory_gb,ip_address,power_state compute vm ls -f ip_address={ip}
List including storage type and preferences	--columns moref,name, folder.path,storage_type,preferences compute vm ls
NOTE: To show all vm attributes that can be used with the --columns option, use: vss-cli --output yaml compute vm ls -c 1	

Virtual Machine update: vss-cli compute vm set {id}

CPU	cpu count {n}
Memory	memory size {nGiB}
Disk New (basic)	disk mk -i {nGiB} -i {nGiB}
Power State	state {on off reboot reset shutdown suspend}
Disk New (adv.)	disk mk -i '{"capacity_gb": 100, "scsi": 1}'
Disk Update	disk up {diskN} --capacity {nGiB}
Disk Update (adv.)	disk up {diskN} --capacity {nGiB} --scsi {busN} --notes "data disk e:/"
Disk Delete	disk rm {diskN} {diskN}
NIC New	nic mk -n {netName}
NIC Update Net	nic up {nicN} --network {netName}
NIC Update State	nic up {nicN} --state {connect disconnect}
NIC Update Type	nic up {nicN} --adapter {type}
NIC Delete	nic rm {nicN} {nicN}
Storage Type	storage-type {ssd hdd}
Add vTPM	tpm mk
Convert to/from template	template --{on off}

NOTE: Add --wait to global vss-cli command and get immediate change request results.

Virtual Machine Snapshot

Create now	compute vm set {id-or-name} snapshot mk \--description {description} --lifetime {n<72} --memory
Create later	compute vm set {id-or-name} snapshot mk \--description {description} --lifetime {n<72} --memory \--timestamp=(YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM)
List	compute vm get {id-or-name} snapshot
Revert	compute vm set {id-or-name} snapshot re {snapId}
Remove	compute vm set {id-or-name} snapshot rm {snapId}
Extend snapshot life	request snapshot set {requestId} duration --lifetime 72

NOTE: Remember that every change, new vm submission and snapshot request create a unique ID.

Virtual Machine Inventory

Create	compute inventory mk --fmt {json csv} --all
Download	compute inventory dl {id}
Download using the "Create" command by adding --wait to the global vss-cli .i.e. vss-cli --wait compute inventory mk --fmt csv --all	

Virtual Machine Folders

Create	compute folder mk --parent={folder} {folder}
Rename	compute folder set {folder} name {new-name}
Move	compute folder set {folder} parent {nparent}

OVF/OVA parsing

Get Deployment Option parameters	ovf get {filePath} deployment-params
Generate additional-params spec	ovf get {filePath} params-spec
Get property parameters	ovf get {filePath} property-params

Account MFA

Enable MFA	account set mfa mk {EMAIL AUTHENTICATOR SMS}
Disable MFA	account set mfa rm
Verify	account set mfa verify

Raw requests

vss-cli raw {GET|POST|PUT|DELETE|PATCH} {resource}

For example:

Vss-cli raw GET /status

Configure: vss-cli

Initialize	configure mk
List	configure ls
Set	configure set {attr} {name}
NOTE: Default configuration file is available at ~/.vss-cli/config.yaml	

Account Notifications

Format	account set notification format \{html text\}
Filter	account set notification request \{all none error completion submission\}
Method	account set notification method \{mail message\}

Virtual Machine decommission

vss-cli compute vm rm --show-info {id} ... {idN}