

# Dell PowerEdge RAID Controller CLI Reference Guide



## Notes, cautions, and warnings

 | **NOTE:** A NOTE indicates important information that helps you make better use of your product.

 | **CAUTION:** A CAUTION indicates either potential damage to hardware or loss of data and tells you how to avoid the problem.

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# Overview

You can set up, configure, and manage your Dell PowerEdge RAID Controller (PERC) by using the Command Line Interface (CLI).

**NOTE:** Some features may not be supported on every generation of PERC, or may require a firmware update to enable a feature. See your PERC's User's Guide for information on the specific features supported by that controller.

## Documentation matrix

The documentation matrix provides information on documents that you can refer to for setting up and managing your system.

**Table 1. Documentation matrix**

To...	See the...
Install your system into a rack	Rack documentation included with your rack solution
Set up your system and know the system technical specifications	<i>Getting Started With Your System</i> that shipped with your system or see <b>Dell.com/poweredgemanuals</b>
Install the operating system	Operating system documentation at <b>Dell.com/operatingsystemmanuals</b>
Get an overview of the Dell Systems Management offerings	<i>Dell OpenManage Systems Management Overview Guide</i> at <b>Dell.com/openmanagemanuals &gt; OpenManage software</b>
Configure and log in to iDRAC, set up managed and management system, know the iDRAC features, and troubleshoot by using iDRAC	<i>Integrated Dell Remote Access Controller User's Guide</i> at <b>Dell.com/idracmanuals</b>
Know about the RACADM subcommands and supported RACADM interfaces	<i>RACADM Command Line Reference Guide</i> for iDRAC at <b>Dell.com/idracmanuals</b>
Launch, enable, and disable Dell Lifecycle Controller, know the features, use and troubleshoot Dell Lifecycle Controller	<i>Dell Lifecycle Controller User's Guide</i> at <b>Dell.com/idracmanuals</b>
Use Dell Lifecycle Controller Remote Services	<i>Dell Lifecycle Controller Remote Services Quick Start Guide</i> at <b>Dell.com/idracmanuals</b>
Set up, use, and troubleshoot OpenManage Server Administrator	<i>Dell OpenManage Server Administrator User's Guide</i> at <b>Dell.com/openmanagemanuals &gt; OpenManage Server Administrator</b>
Install, use, and troubleshoot OpenManage Essentials	<i>Dell OpenManage Essentials User's Guide</i> at <b>Dell.com/openmanagemanuals &gt; OpenManage Essentials</b>
Know the features of the storage controller cards, deploy the cards, and manage the storage subsystem	Storage controller documentation at <b>Dell.com/storagecontrollermanuals</b>
Check the event and error messages generated by the system firmware and agents that monitor system components	<i>Dell Event and Error Messages Reference Guide</i> at <b>Dell.com/openmanagemanuals &gt; OpenManage software</b>

# Accessing the command prompt

Access the CLI in Microsoft Windows, Linux, or VMware operating systems.

Topics:

- [Using CLI commands from Windows command prompts](#)
- [Using CLI commands in Linux](#)
- [Using CLI commands in VMware](#)

## Using CLI commands from Windows command prompts

Ensure that you copy the `perccli.exe` and `perccli64.exe` files to `C:\Windows\System32`.

To access the command prompt in systems using the Microsoft Windows operating system, perform the following procedure:

- 1 Click **Start > Run**.  
The **Run** window is displayed.
- 2 In the **Open** field, type `cmd`, and then click **OK**.  
The **Administrator: Command Prompt** window is displayed, where you can execute the PERC CLI commands.

## Using CLI commands in Linux

Perform the following procedures to access the command prompt in systems using the Linux operating system:

- 1 To install the percli RPM, run `rpm -ivh <percli-x.xx-x.noarch.rpm>`, or to upgrade the percli RPM, run `rpm -Uvh <percli-x.xx-x.noarch.rpm>`.
- 2 Change directory to `/opt/MegaRAID/perccli`.
- 3 As a root user, run `./perccli`.

## Using CLI commands in VMware

Perform the following procedures to access the command prompt in systems using the VMware system:

- 1 View the list of installed VIB package using the following command: `esxcli software vib list`
- 2 Install the VIB package using the command: `esxcli software vib install -v /vmfs/volume/datastore1/vmware-esx-perccli.vib --no-sig-check` where `/vmfs/volume/datastore1` is the path detail of the VIB.
- 3 You can remove the installed VIB by using the command: `esxcli software vib remove -n=vmware-esx-perccli.vib --force`.
- 4 Run percli by browsing to the following location: `cd /opt/lsi/perccli`.



# Working with the PERC Command Line Interface tool

This chapter describes the commands supported by the PERC Command Line Tool.

**NOTE:** The PERC Command Line Interface (CLI) Tool is not case sensitive.

**CAUTION:** The order in which you specify the command options should be the same as in the User Guide; otherwise, the command will fail.

**NOTE:** The PERC CLI Tool does not support the Snapshot feature.

Topics:

- System commands
- Controller commands
- Drive commands
- Virtual drives commands
- Foreign configurations commands
- BIOS-related commands
- Drive group commands
- Dimmer switch commands
- BBU commands
- Enclosure commands
- PHY commands
- Logging commands
- PERC CLI command examples

## System commands

In the following sections, syntax is read as follows:

**Table 2. System commands reference table**

Variable	Description
<i>all</i>	Displays information on all controllers present on the host.
<i>cx</i>	Specifies the controller where x is the controller index.
<i>ex</i>	The enclosure ID
<i>.&lt;file extension&gt;</i>	Specifies the file required for a particular command.
<i>sx</i>	The drive slot ID of the controller.



# System show commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following system show commands:

```
perccli show
perccli show all
perccli show ctrlcount
perccli show help
perccli -v
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

## perccli show

This command shows a summary of controller and controller-associated information for the system. The summary includes the number of controllers, the host name, the operating system information, and the overview of existing configuration.

## perccli show all

This command shows the list of controllers and controller-associated information, information about the drives that need attention, and advanced software options.

## perccli show ctrlcount

This command shows the number of controllers detected in the server.

## perccli show help

This command shows help for all commands at the server level.

## perccli -v

This command shows the version of the PERC Command Line Tool.

# Controller commands

Controller commands provide information and perform actions related to the specified controller, such as the /c0 controller. The PERC Command Line Tool supports the controller commands described in this section.

## Show and set controller properties commands

**Table 3. Controller commands quick reference table**

Commands	Value range	Description
show <properties>	See <a href="#">Table 4. Properties for show and set commands.</a>	Shows specific controller properties.



set <properties>	See <a href="#">Table 4. Properties for show and set commands.</a>	Sets controller properties.
show	all: Shows all properties of the virtual drive.  freespace: Shows the freespace in the controller. See <a href="#">Controller show commands.</a>	Shows physical drive information.

This section provides command information to show and set controller properties.

**NOTE:** You cannot set multiple properties with a single command.

The generalized syntax for show controller properties command is as follows:

#### **perccli /cx show <property>**

This command shows the current value of the specified property on the specified controller.

General example output:

```
Status Code = 0
Status = Success
Description = None
Controller: 0
Property_name = Property_value
```

You can show the following properties using the `perccli /cx show <property1>|<property2>` command.

**NOTE:** /cx specifies the controller where x is the controller index.

```
perccli /cx show personality
perccli /cx show abortconerror
perccli /cx show activityforlocate
perccli /cx show backplane
perccli /cx show batterywarning
perccli /cx show bgirate
perccli /cx show bootwithpinnedcache
perccli /cx show cachebypass
perccli /cx show cacheflushint
perccli /cx show ccrate
perccli /cx show coercion
perccli /cx show consistencycheck|cc
perccli /cx show copyback
perccli /cx show dimmerswitch|ds
perccli /cx show jbod
perccli /cx show loadbalancemode
perccli /cx show maintainpdfailhistory
perccli /cx show migraterate
perccli /cx show ncq
perccli /cx show patrolread|pr
perccli /cx show perfmode
perccli /cx show pi
perccli /cx show prcorrectunconfiguredareas
perccli /cx show prrate
perccli /cx show rebuildrate
perccli /cx show restorehotspare
perccli /cx show smartpollinterval
perccli /cx show time
perccli /cx show usefdeonlyencrypt
perccli /cx show badblocks
perccli /cx(x|all) show PI
```

#### **perccli /cx set <property>=<value>**

General example output:

```
Status Code = 0
Status = Success
Description = None
```

```
Controller 0, new Property_name = Property_value
```

The following commands are examples of the properties that can be set using the `perccli /cx set<property>=<value>` command:

```
perccli /cx set personality=<RAID|HBA>
perccli /cx set abortcconerror=<on|off>
perccli /cx set activityforlocate=<on|off>
perccli /cx set backplane=<value>
perccli /cx set batterywarning=<on|off>
perccli /cx set bgirate=<value>
perccli /cx set bootwithpinnedcache=<on|off>
perccli /cx set cachebypass=<on|off>
perccli /cx set cacheflushinterval=<value>
perccli /cx set ccraterate=<value>
perccli /cx set coercion=<value>
perccli /cx set consistencycheck|cc=[off|seq|conc] [delay=value] [starttime=yyyy/mm/dd hh]
[excludevd=x-y,z]
perccli /cx set copyback=<on|off> type=<smartssd|smarthdd|all>
perccli /cx set eghs [state=<on|off>] [eug=on|off] [smarter=<on|off>]
perccli /cx set dimmerswitch|ds=<on|off type=1|2|3|4>
perccli /cx set foreignautoimport=<on|off>
perccli /cx set jbod=<on|off>
perccli /cx set loadbalancemode=<value>
perccli /cx set maintainpdfailhistory=<on|off>
perccli /cx set migraterate=<value>
perccli /cx set ncq=<on|off>
perccli /cx set patrolread|pr {=on mode=<auto|manual>}|{off}
perccli /cx set perfmode=<value>
perccli /cx set pi=<on|off>
perccli /cx set prcorrectunconfiguredareas=<on|off>
perccli /cx set prrate=<value>
perccli /cx set rebuildrate=<value>
perccli /cx set restorehotspare=<on|off>
perccli /cx set smartpollinterval=<value>
perccli /cx set stoponerror=<on|off>
perccli /cx set usefdeonlyencrypt=<on|off>
perccli /cx set time=yyyymmdd hh:mm:ss|systemtime
```

The following table lists and describes the properties for the show and set commands.

**Table 4. Properties for show and set commands**

Property name	Set command range	Description
abortcconerror	on off	Aborts consistency check when it detects an inconsistency.
activityforlocate	on off	Enables/disables drive activity, drive activity locates function for systems without SGPIO/SES capabilities.
backplane	0: Use autodetect logic of backplanes, such as SGPIO and I2C SEP using GPIO pins.	Configures enclosure detection on a non-



	<p>1: Disable autodetect SGPIO.</p> <p>2: Disable I2C SEP autodetect.</p> <p>3: Disable both the autodetects.</p>	SES/expander backplane.
batterywarning	on off	Enables/disables battery warnings.
bgirate	0 to 100	Sets background initialization rate in percentage.
cacheflushint	0 to 255, default value 4	Sets cache flush interval in seconds.
ccrate	0 to 100	Sets consistency check rate in percentage.
coercion	<p>0: No coercion</p> <p>1: 128 MB</p> <p>2: 1 GB</p>	Sets drive capacity in coercion mode.
consistencycheck	See <a href="#">Consistency check</a> .	See <a href="#">Consistency check</a> .
copyback	<p>on off type = smartssd smarthdd all</p> <p>smartssd: Copy back enabled for SSD drives.</p> <p>smarthdd: Copy back enabled for HDD drives.</p> <p>all: Copy back enabled for both SSD drives and HDD drives.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>perccli /cx set copyback=on type=all</pre>	Enables/disables copy back for drive types.
eghs	<p>state=on off : Enables use of hotspare drives for emergency feature.</p> <p>eug=on off : Enables use of unconfigured good drives for emergency feature.</p> <p>smarter=on off : Enables use of emergency spares for copy back during SMART errors.</p>	Enables/disables the commissioning of otherwise incompatible global hot spare drives as Emergency Hot Spare (EHSP) drives.
exposeencdevice	on off	Enables/disables device drivers to expose enclosure devices; for example, expanders, SEPs.
dimmerswitch ds	See <a href="#">Dimmer switch commands</a> .	See <a href="#">Dimmer switch commands</a> .
foreignautoimport	on off	Imports foreign configuration automatically, at boot.



jbod	on off	Enables/disables JBOD mode; by default, drives become system drives.
		<b>NOTE: Not supported by all controllers.</b>
loadbalancemode	on off	Enables/disables automatic load balancing between SAS phys or ports in a wide port configuration.
maintainpdfailhistory	on off	Maintains the physical drive fail history.
migraterate	0 to 100	Sets data migration rate in percentage.
patrolread pr	See <a href="#">Patrol Read</a> .	See <a href="#">Patrol Read</a> .
perfmode	0: Tuned to provide best IOPS, currently applicable to non-FastPath 1: Tuned to provide least latency, currently applicable to non-FastPath	Performance tuning setting for the controller.
pi	on off	Enables/disables data protection on the controller.
prcorrectunconfiguredareas	on off	Correct media errors during PR by writing 0s to unconfigured areas of the disk.
prrate	0 to 100	Sets patrol read rate of the virtual drives in percentage.
rebuildrate	0 to 100	Sets rebuild rate of the drive in percentage.
reconrate	0 to 100	Sets reconstruction rate for a drive in percentage.
restorehotspare	on off	Becomes a hot spare on insertion of a failed drive.
smartpollinterval	0 to 65535	Set time for polling of SMART errors in seconds.
spinupdrivecount	0 to 255	Sets number of drives that are spun up at a time.



<code>spinupdelay</code>	0 to 255	Sets spin-up delay between a group of drives or a set of drives, in seconds.
<code>stoponerror</code>	<code>on off</code>	Stops the MegaRAID BIOS during POST, if any errors are encountered.
<code>time</code>	Valid time in <code>yymmdd hh:mm:ss</code> format or <code>systemtime</code>	Sets the controller time to your input value or the system time (local time in 24-hour format).
<code>usefdeonlyencrypt</code>	<code>on off</code>	Enables/disables FDE drive-based encryption.

## Controller show commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following show commands:

```
perccli /cx show
perccli /cx show all
perccli /cx show freespace
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

### perccli /cx show

This command shows the summary of the controller information. The summary includes basic controller information, foreign configurations, drive groups, virtual drives, physical drives, enclosures, and BBU information.

Input example:

```
perccli /c1 show
```

### perccli /cx show all

This command shows all controller information, which includes basic controller information, bus information, controller status, advanced software options, controller policies, controller defaults, controller capabilities, scheduled tasks, miscellaneous properties, foreign configurations, drive groups, virtual drives, physical drives, enclosures, and BBU information.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 show all
```

**① NOTE: The PCI information displayed as a part of `perccli /cx show` and `perccli /cx show all` commands is not applicable for the FreeBSD operating system. Hence, the PCI information fields are displayed as N/A.**

## perccli /cx show freespace

This command shows the usable free space in the controller.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 show freespace
```

# Controller background tasks operation commands

## Rebuild Rate

```
perccli /cx set rebuildrate=<value>  
perccli /cx show rebuildrate
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

## perccli /cx set rebuildrate=<value>

This command sets the rebuild task rate of the specified controller. The input value is in percentage.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 set rebuildrate=30
```

**NOTE: A high rebuild rate slows down I/O processing.**

## perccli /cx show rebuildrate

This command shows the current rebuild task rate of the specified controller in percentage.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 show rebuildrate
```

## Patrol Read

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following patrol read commands:

```
perccli /cx resume patrolread  
perccli /cx set patrolread ={{on mode=<auto|manual>}}|{off}}  
perccli /cx set patrolread [starttime=<yyyy/mm/dd hh>] [maxconcurrentpd=<value>]  
[includessds=<on|off>] [uncfgareas=<on|off>]  
perccli /cx set patrolread delay=<value>  
perccli /cx show patrolread  
perccli /cx start patrolread  
perccli /cx stop patrolread  
perccli /cx suspend patrolread
```

**NOTE: A patrol read operation is scheduled for all the physical drives of the controller.**

The detailed description for each command follows.



## perccli /cx resume patrolread

This command resumes a suspended patrol read operation.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 resume patrolread
```

## perccli /cx set patrolread {=on mode=<auto|manual>}|{off}

This command turns the patrol read scheduling on and sets the mode of the patrol read to automatic or manual.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 set patrolread=on mode=manual
```

## perccli /cx set patrolread [starttime=<yyyy/mm/dd hh>] [maxconcurrentpd=<value>] [includessds=<on|off>] [uncfgareas=on|off]

This command schedules a patrol read operation. You can use the following options for patrol read command:

**Table 5. Set Patrolread input options**

Option	Value range	Description
starttime	A valid date and hour in 24 hours format.	Sets the start time in <i>yyyy/mm/dd hh</i> format.
maxconcurrentpd	Valid number of physical drives present.	Sets the number of physical drives that can be patrol read at a single time.
includessds	—	Include SSDs in the patrol read.
uncfgareas	—	Include the areas not configured in the patrol read.

**NOTE:** Controller time is taken as a reference for scheduling a patrol read operation.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 set patrolread=on starttime=2012/02/21 00
```

## perccli /cx set patrolread [delay=<value>]

This command delays the scheduled patrol read in hours.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 set patrolread delay=30
```

## perccli /cx show patrolRead

This command shows the progress on the current patrol read in percentage.

Input example:





```
perccli /c0 show patrolread
```

## perccli /cx start patrolread

This command starts the patrol read operation. This command starts a patrol read immediately.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 start patrolread
```

## perccli /cx stop patrolread

This command stops a running patrol read operation.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 stop patrolread
```

 **NOTE:** You cannot resume a stopped patrol read.

## perccli /cx suspend patrolread

This command pauses a running patrol read operation.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 suspend patrolread
```

 **NOTE:** You can run this command only when a patrol read operation is running on the controller.

## Consistency check

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands to schedule, perform, and view the status of a consistency check (CC) operation:

```
perccli /cx set consistencycheck|cc=[off|seq|conc] [delay=value] starttime=yyyy/mm/dd hh  
[excludevd=x-y,z]  
perccli /cx show cc  
perccli /cx show ccrate
```

The detailed description for each command follows.



**perccli /cx set consistencycheck|cc=[off|seq|conc][delay=value] starttime=yyyy/mm/dd hh [excludevd=x-y,z]**

This command schedules a consistency check (CC) operation. You can use the following options with the consistency check command:

**Table 6. Set CC input options**

Option	Value range	Description
cc	seq: Sequential mode. conc: Concurrent mode.	Sets CC to either sequential mode, or concurrent mode, or turns off the CC.



Option	Value range	Description
	off: Turns off the consistency check.	 <b>NOTE: The concurrent mode slows I/O processing.</b>
delay	-1 and any integer value.	Delay a scheduled consistency check. The value is in hours. A value of 0 makes the CC runs continuously with no delay (in a loop).   <b>NOTE: Only scheduled consistency checks can be delayed.</b>
starttime	A valid date and hour in 24-hours format.	Start time of a consistency check is yyyy/mm/dd hh format.
excludevd	The range should be less than the number of virtual drives.	Excludes virtual drives from the consistency checks. To exclude particular virtual drives, you can provide list of virtual drive names (Vx,Vy ... format) or the range of virtual drives that you want to exclude from a consistency check (Vx-Vy format). If this option is not specified in the command, no virtual drives are excluded.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 set CC=on starttime=2012/02/21 00 excludevd v0-v3
```

## perccli /cx show cc

This command shows the consistency check schedule properties for a controller.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 show cc
```

## perccli /cx show ccrate

This command checks the status of a consistency check operation. The CC rate appears in percentage.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 show ccrate
```

 **NOTE: A high CC rate slows I/O processing.**

## Controller security commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following controller security commands:

```
perccli /cx compare securitykey=ssssss
perccli /cx delete securitykey
perccli /cx set securitykey keyid=kkkk
perccli /cx set securitykey=sssss keyid=sssss]
perccli /cx set securitykey=sssss
oldsecuritykey=sssss [keyid=sssss]
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

## perccli /cx compare securitykey=ssssss

This command compares and verifies the security key of the controller.

## perccli /cx delete securitykey

This command deletes the security key of the controller.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 delete securitykey
```

## perccli /cx set securitykey keyId=kkkk

This command sets the key ID for the controller. The key ID is unique for every controller.

## perccli /cx set securitykey=sssss [keyid=sssss]

This command sets the security key for the controller. You can use the following options with the set security key command:

**Table 7. Set security key input options**

Option	Value range	Description
Securitykey	Should have a combination of numbers, upper case letters, lower case letters and special characters. Minimum of 8 characters and maximum of 32 characters.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Security key is used to lock the drive.</li></ul>
keyid	—	Unique ID set for different controllers to help you specify a passphrase to a specific controller.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 set securitykey=Lsi@12345 keyid=1
```

### perccli /cx set securitykey=sssss oldsecuritykey=ssss [passphrase=sssss][keyid=sssss]

This command changes the security key for the controller.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 set securitykey=Lsi@12345 oldsecuritykey=pass123 keyid=1
```

## Flashing controller firmware command

The following command flashes the controller firmware:

## perccli /cx download file=filepath [noverchk]

This command flashes the firmware to the specified adapter from the given file location (filepath is the absolute file path). You can use the following options when you flash the firmware:



**Table 8. Flashing controller firmware input options**

Option	Value range	Description
noverchk	—	The application flashes the controller firmware without checking the version of the firmware image.

## Controller cache command

The following command flushes the controller cache:

### perccli /cx flush|flushcache

This command flushes the controller cache.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 flushcache
```

## Controller profile commands

The PERC command line tool supports the following profile-related commands:

```
perccli /cx show profile  
perccli /cx set profile profileid=<profileid>
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

### perccli /cx show profile

This command shows current profile and profile properties.

Input example:

```
perccli /c1 show profile
```

### perccli /cx set profile profileid=<profileid>

This command sets profile ID. The output contains control ID, status, and description attributes.

Input example:

```
perccli /c1 set profile profileid=<profileid>
```

**NOTE:** You must reboot the system for profile changes to take effect.

**NOTE:** Profile changes fail if:

- The new profile supports fewer drives than the number of drives supported in the current topology.
- Background operations (rebuild, copy back, full initialization, background initialization, patrol read, cc) are active.
- Background operations start after profile change but before you reboot the system.

# HBA controller commands

**NOTE:** The UEFI version of PERCCLI is not supported on Dell HBA330 or 12Gbps HBA controllers. Support will be added in a future PERCCLI release.

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following HBA-related commands:

```
perccli /call show
perccli /cx download bios file=mptsas.rom
perccli /cx download file=image.fw
perccli /cx/ex/sx start locate
perccli /cx/ex/sx stop locate
perccli /cx/pall show
perccli /cx show
perccli /cx show all
perccli /cx show freespace
perccli /cx show sasadd
perccli h|?|help
perccli /restart
perccli v
```

## perccli /call show

This command shows information on all the controllers present on the host.

Input example:

```
perccli /call show
```

## perccli /cx download bios file=<.rom>

Use this command to update the BIOS component on all supported controllers.

Input example:

```
perccli /c1 download bios file=mptsas.rom
```

**NOTE:** *.rom* specifies the file extension on which you are updating the BIOS component.

## perccli /cx download file=<filepath>

Use this command to flash the firmware with the .rom file to a specified adapter from the provided file location (file path is the absolute file path).

Input example:

```
perccli /cx download file=image.fw
```

## perccli /cx/ex/sx start locate

Use this command to turn on the drive LED flash to locate physical drives.

Input example:



```
perccli /c1/e10/s12 start locate
```

## perccli /cx/ex/sx stop locate

Use this command to turn off the drive LED flash to locate physical drives.

Input example:

```
perccli /c1/e10/s12 stop locate
```

## perccli /cx/pall show

This command shows the basic PHY layer information on a specified adapter.

Input example:

```
perccli /c1/pall show
```

## perccli /cx show

This command shows the summary of the controller information. The summary includes basic controller information, foreign configurations, drive groups, virtual drives, physical drives, enclosures, and BBU information.

Input example:

```
perccli /c1 show
```

## perccli /cx show all <logfile>

This command shows all of the controller information, including basic controller information, bus information, controller status, advanced software options, controller policies, controller defaults, controller capabilities, scheduled tasks, miscellaneous properties, foreign configurations, drive groups, virtual drives, physical drives, enclosures, and BBU information.

If you use the logfile option in the command syntax, the logs are written to the specified file. If you do not specify the file name, then the logs are written to the percas.log file. If you do not use the logfile option in the command syntax, the entire log output is printed to the console.

Ensure that the filename does not contain a blank space.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 show all logfile=log.txt
```

## perccli /cx show freespace

This command shows the usable free space in the controller.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 show freespace
```



## perccli /cx show sasadd

This command displays the SAS address of the specified controller.

Input example:

```
perccli /c1 show sasadd
```

## perccli —h|?|help

This command displays the perccli help.

Input example:

```
perccli -h
```

## perccli /restart

Using this command, you can reset a specific controller or reset all controllers connected to the host. This command resets the chip hardware and reinitializes all the chip information. This command also performs the following operations:

- Moves the new firmware image from the backup location to the current location of the firmware.
- Migrates the NVDATA changes.
- Brings up and runs the new firmware.

Input example:

```
perccli /c1 restart
```

## perccli —v

This command displays the version of the command line tool.

Input example:

```
perccli -v
```

# Drive commands

This section describes the drive commands, which provide information and perform actions related to physical drives. The following table describes frequently used virtual drive commands:

**Table 9. Physical drives commands quick reference table**

Commands	Value range	Description
set	missing: Sets the drive status as missing. good: Sets the drive status to unconfigured good. offline: Sets the drive status to offline. online: Sets the drive status to online.	Sets physical drive properties.



show

all: shows all properties of the physical drive. See [Drive show commands](#).

Shows virtual drive information.

## Drive show commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following drive show commands:

```
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx show
perccli /cx[/eall]/sall show
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx|sall show all
```

**NOTE:** If enclosures are used to connect physical drives to the controller, specify the enclosure ID in the command. If no enclosures are used, you must specify the controller ID and slot ID.

The detailed description for each command follows.

### perccli /cx[/ex]/sx show

This command shows the summary of the physical drive for a specified slot in the controller.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e0/s4,5 show
```

### perccli /cx[/eall]/sall show

This command shows the summary information for all the enclosures and physical drives connected to the controller.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/eall/sall show
```

### perccli /cx[/ex]/sx|sall show all

This command shows all information of a physical drive for the specified slot in the controller. If you use the all option, the command shows information for all slots on the controller. x stands for a number, a list of numbers, a range of numbers, or all numbers.

Input examples:

```
perccli /c0/e3/s0-3 show all
perccli /c0/e35/sall show all
```

**NOTE:** The `perccli /cx/sx show all` command shows tape drives information.

## Missing drives commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands to mark and replace missing physical drives:

```
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx set offline
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx set missing
perccli /cx /dall show
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx insert dg=a array=b row=c
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx start rebuild
```





The detailed description for each command follows.

## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx set offline

This command marks the drive in an array as offline.

**NOTE:** To set a drive that is part of an array as missing, first set it as offline. After the drive is set to offline, you can set the drive to missing.

Input example:

```
perccli /c1/e56/s3 set offline
```

## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx set missing

This command marks a drive as missing.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/s4 set missing
```

## perccli /cx /dall show

This command shows the topology information of the drive group.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/dall show
```

## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx insert dg=a array=b row=c

This command replaces the configured drive that is identified as missing. User must manually start the rebuild.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e32/s4 insert dg=2 array=2 row=1
```

## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx start rebuild

This command starts a rebuild operation for a drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e32/s4 start rebuild
```

## Set drive state commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands to set the status of physical drives:

```
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx set jbod  
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx set good [force]  
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx set offline  
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx set online
```



The detailed description for each command follows.

## **perccli /cx[/ex]/sx set jbod**

This command sets the drive state to JBOD.

Input example:

```
perccli /c1/e56/s3 set jbod
```

## **perccli /cx[/ex]/sx set good [force]**

This drive changes the drive state to unconfigured good. If the drive has the operating system in it, use the force option.

Input example:

```
perccli /c1/e56/s3 set good
```

## **perccli /cx[/ex]/sx set offline**

This command changes the drive state to offline.

Input example:

```
perccli /c1/e56/s3 set offline
```

## **perccli /cx[/ex]/sx set online**

This command changes the drive state to online.

Input example:

```
perccli /c1/e56/s3 set online
```

# **Drive initialization commands**

When you initialize drives, all the data from the drives is cleared. The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands to initialize drives:

```
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx show initialization  
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx start initialization  
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx stop initialization
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

## **perccli /cx[/ex]/sx show initialization**

This command shows the current progress of the initialization progress in percentage.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e31/s4 show initialization
```



## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx start initialization

This command starts the initialization process on a drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e31/s4 start initialization
```

## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx stop initialization

This command stops an initialization process running on the specified drive. A stopped initialization process cannot be resumed.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e56/s1 stop initialization
```

## Locate drives commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands to locate a drive and activate the physical disk activity LED:

```
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx start locate  
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx stop locate
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

### perccli /cx[/ex]/sx start locate

This command locates a drive and activates the drive's LED.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e56/s1 start locate
```

### perccli /cx[/ex]/sx stop locate

This command stops a locate operation and deactivates the drive's LED.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e56/s1 stop locate
```

## Prepare to remove drives commands

The PERC CLI supports the following commands to prepare the physical drive for removal:

```
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx spindown  
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx spinup
```

The detailed description for each command follows.



## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx spindown

This command spins down an unconfigured drive and prepares it for removal. The drive state is unaffiliated and it is marked offline.

Input example:

```
perccli /cx/e34/s4 spindown
```

## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx spinup

This command spins up a spun-down drive and the drive state is unconfigured good.

Input example:

```
perccli /cx/e34/s4 spinup
```

## Drive security commands

The PERC Command Line supports the following drive security command:

### perccli /cx[/ex]/sx show securitykey keyid

This command shows the security key and key ID of the controller.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/s4 show securityKey keyid
```

## Drive erase commands

### Table 10. Conventions

/cx	Specifies a controller where x is the controller index.
/ex	Specifies an enclosure where x is the enclosure device ID.
/sx	Specifies a physical drive where x is the slot number.

The PERC Command Line supports the following drive erase commands:

```
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx secureerase [force]
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx stop erase
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx show erase
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx start erase[simple| normal| thorough| standard| threepass | crypto]
[patternA=<val>] [patternB=<val>]
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

### perccli /cx[/ex]/sx secureerase [force]

This command erases the drive's security configuration and securely erases data on a drive. You can use the force option as a confirmation to erase the data on the drive and the security information.



Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e25/s1 secureerase
```

**NOTE:** This command deletes data on the drive and the security configuration and this data is no longer accessible. This command is used for SED drives only.

## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx stop erase

Stops secure erase on non-SED drives.

## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx show erase

Displays the status as percentage of secure erase completed.

## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx start erase [simple| normal| thorough| standard| threepass | crypto] [patternA=<val>][patternB=<val>]

This command securely erases non-SED drives. The drive is written with erase patterns to ensure that the data is securely erased. You can use the following options with the start erase command:

**Table 11. Drive erase command options**

Options	Value range	Description
cx[/ex]/sx	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• /cx - specifies a controller where X is the controller index</li><li>• /ex - specifies an enclosure where X is the enclosure device ID</li><li>• /sx - specifies a physical drive where X is the slot number</li></ul>
erase	simple: Single pass, single pattern write normal: Three pass, three pattern write thorough: Nine pass, repeats the normal write three times. standard: Applicable only for DFFs threepass: Three pass, pass1 random pattern write, pass 2, 3 write zero, verify crypto: Applicable only for ISE capable drives	Secure erase type
patternA	8-bit value	Erase pattern A to overwrite the data.
patternB	8-bit value	Erase pattern B to overwrite the data.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e25/s1 start erase thorough patternA=10010011 patternB=11110000
```



# Rebuild drives commands

The following commands rebuild drives in the PERC Command Line Tool:

```
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx pause rebuild
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx resume rebuild
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx show rebuild
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx start rebuild
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx stop rebuild
```

**NOTE:** If enclosures are used to connect physical drives to the controller, specify the enclosure ID in the command.

The detailed description for each command follows.

## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx pause rebuild

This command pauses an ongoing rebuild process. You can run this command only for a drive that is currently rebuilt.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/s4 pause rebuild
```

## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx resume rebuild

This command resumes a paused rebuild process. You can run this command only when a paused rebuild process for the drive exists.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/s4 resume rebuild
```

## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx show rebuild

This command shows the progress of the rebuild process in percentage.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/s5 show rebuild
```

## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx start rebuild

This command starts a rebuild operation for a drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/s4 start rebuild
```

## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx stop rebuild

This command stops a rebuild operation. You can run this command only for a drive that is currently rebuilt.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/s4 stop rebuild
```

## Drive copyback commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands for drive copyback:

```
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx pause copyback
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx resume copyback
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx show copyback
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx start copyback target=eid:sid
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx stop copyback
```

**NOTE:** In the copyback commands, **cx[/ex]/sx** indicates the source drive and **eid:sid** indicates the target drive.

### perccli /cx[/ex]/sx pause copyback

This command pauses a copyback operation. You can run this command only when there is a copyback operation running.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e25/s4 pause copyback
```

### perccli /cx[/ex]/sx resume copyback

This command resumes a paused copyback operation. You can run this command only when there is a paused copyback process for the drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e25/s4 resume copyback
```

### perccli /cx[/ex]/sx show copyback

This command shows the progress of the copyback operation in percentage.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e25/s4 show copyback
```

### perccli /cx[/ex]/sx start copyback target=eid:sid

This command starts a copyback operation for a drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e25/s4 start copyback target=25:8
```

### perccli /cx[/ex]/sx stop copyback

This command stops a copyback operation. You can run this command only on drives that have the copyback operation running.

Input example:



```
perccli /c0/e25/s4 stop copyback
```

**NOTE:** A stopped rebuild process cannot be resumed.

## Hot spare drive commands

The following commands create and delete hot spare drives:

```
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx add hotsparedrive  
{dgs=<n|0,1,2...>} [enclaffinity]  
perccli /cx[/ex]/sx delete hotsparedrive
```

**NOTE:** If enclosures are used to connect the physical drives to the controller, specify the enclosure ID in the command.

The detailed description for each command follows.

### perccli /cx[/ex]/sx add hotsparedrive [{dgs=<n|0,1,2...>}] [enclaffinity]

This command creates a hot spare drive. You can use the following options to create a hot spare drive:

**Table 12. Add hotsparedrive input options**

Option	Value range	Description
dgs	Valid drive group number	Specifies the drive group to which the hot spare drive is dedicated.
enclaffinity	Valid enclosure number	Specifies the enclosure with which the hot spare is associated. If this option is specified, affinity is set; if it is not specified, there is no affinity.

**NOTE:** Affinity cannot be removed after it is set for a hot spare drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e3/s4,5 add hotsparedrive
```

This command sets the drives /c0/e3/s4,5 as Global Hot spare.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e3/s6,8 add hotsparedrive dgs=0,1
```

This command sets /c0/e3/s6,8 as Dedicated Hot spare for disk groups 0,1.

#### perccli /cx[/ex]/sx delete hotsparedrive

This command deletes a hot spare drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e3/s4,5 delete hotsparedrive
```

## Drive security commands

The PERC Command Line supports the following drive security command:



## perccli /cx[/ex]/sx show securitykey keyid

This command shows the security key and key ID of the controller.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/s4 show securityKey keyid
```

## Virtual drives commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following virtual drive commands. The following table describes frequently used virtual drive commands.

**Table 13. Virtual drives commands quick reference table**

Commands	Value range	Description
add	See <a href="#">Table 15. Add RAID 0 configuration input options.</a>	Creates virtual drives.
delete	force: Deletes the virtual drive where operating system is present.	Deletes a virtual drive.
set	See <a href="#">Table 15. Add RAID 0 configuration input options</a> , and <a href="#">Change virtual drive properties commands.</a>	Sets virtual drive properties.
show	all: Shows all properties of the virtual drive.	Shows virtual drive information.

## Add virtual drives commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands to add virtual drives:

```
perccli /cx add vd r[0|1|5|6|10|50|60]
[Size=<VD1_Sz>,<VD2_Sz>,...|all] [name=<VDNAME1>,...]
drives=e:s|e:s-x|e:s-x,y,e:s-x,y,z [PDperArray=x] [SED]
[pdcache=on|off|default] [pi] [DimmerSwitch(ds)=default|automatic(auto)|
none|maximum(max)|MaximumWithoutCaching(maxnocache)] [wt|wb|fwb] [nora|ra]
[direct|cached] [CachedBadBBU|NoCachedBadBBU]
[Strip=<64|128|256|512|1024>] [AfterVd=X] [EmulationType=0|1|2]
[Spares = [e:]s|[e:]s-x|[e:]s-x,y] [force] [ExclusiveAccess]
[Cbsize=0|1|2 Cbmode=0|1|2|3|4|5|6|7]
perccli /cx add vd each r0 [name=<VDNAME1>,...] [drives=e:s|e:s-x|e:s-x,y]
[SED] [pdcache=on|off|default] [pi] [DimmerSwitch(ds)=default|
automatic(auto)|none|maximum(max)|MaximumWithoutCaching(maxnocache)]
[wt|wb|fwb] [nora|ra] [direct|cached] [CachedBadBBU|NoCachedBadBBU]
[Strip=<64|128|256|512|1024>] [EmulationType=0|1|2] [ExclusiveAccess]
[Cbsize=0|1|2 Cbmode=0|1|2|3|4|7]
```

This command creates a RAID configuration. You can use the following options to create the RAID volume:

**NOTE:** \* indicates default values.

The detailed description for each command follows.

```
perccli /cx add vd type=raid[0|1|5|6|10|50|60] [Size=<VD1_Sz>,<VD2_Sz>,...|*all]
[name=<VDNAME1>,...] drives=e:s|e:s-x|e:s-x,y;e:s-x,y,z [PDperArray=x] [SED]
[pdcache=on|off|*default] [pi] [DimmerSwitch(ds)=default|automatic(auto)|
*none|maximum(max)|MaximumWithoutCaching(maxnocache)] [wt|*wb]
```



```
[nora|*ra] [*direct|cached] [CachedBadBBU|*NoCachedBadBBU] [Strip=<8|16|32|64|128|256|1024>]
[AfterVd=X] [Spares = [e:]s|[e:]s-x|[e:]s-x,y] [force]
```

**Table 14. Add RAID configuration input options**

Option	Value range	Description
type	RAID [0 1 5 6 10 50 60].	Sets the RAID type of the configuration.
size	Maximum size based on the physical drives and RAID level.	Sets the size of each virtual drive. The default value is for the capacity of all referenced disks.
name	15 characters of length.	Specifies the drive name for each virtual drive.
drives	Valid enclosure number and valid slot numbers for the enclosure.	In e:s e:s-x e:s-x,y: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>e specifies the enclosure ID.</li> <li>s represents the slot in the enclosure.</li> <li>e:s-x is the range convention used to represent slots s to x in the enclosure e.</li> </ul>
pdperarray	0 to 15.	Specifies the number of physical drives per array. The default value is automatically chosen.
sed	—	Creates security-enabled drives.
pdcache	on off default.	Enables or disables PD cache.
pi	—	Enables protection information.
dimmerswitch	default: Logical device uses controller default power-saving policy. automatic (auto): Logical device power savings are managed by firmware. none: No power-saving policy. maximum (max): Logical device uses maximum power savings. MaximumWithoutCaching (maxnocache): Logical device does not cache write to maximize power savings.	Specifies the power-saving policy. Sets to default automatically.
wt wb	wt: Write through. wb: Write back.	Enables write through. Write back is the default.
nora ra	ra: Read ahead. nora: No read ahead.	Disables read ahead. Enabled is the default.
cachedbadbbu nocachedbadbbu	cachedbadbbu: Enable bad BBU caching. nocachedbadbbu: Disable bad BBU caching.	Enables caching when BBU is not functioning. Disabled is the default.
strip	8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, 1024.	Sets the strip size for the RAID configuration.
aftervd	Valid virtual drive number.	Creates the VD in the adjacent free slot next to the specified VD.
spares	Number of spare physical drives present.	Specifies the physical drives that are to be assigned to a disk group for spares.



`force` — Forces a security-capable physical drive to be added to a drive group without security.

```
perccli /cx add vd each r0 [name=<VDNAME1>,..]
[drives=e:s|e:s-x|e:s-x,y] [SED] [pdcache=on|off|default] [pi] [DimmerSwitch(ds)=default|
automatic(auto)|none|maximum(max)|MaximumWithoutCaching(maxnocache)]
[wt|wb] [nora|ra] [direct|cached] [CachedBadBBU|NoCachedBadBBU] [Strip=<64|128|256|512|1024>]
[EmulationType=0|1|2] [ExclusiveAccess] [Cbsize=0|1|2 Cbmode=0|1|2|3|4|7]
```

This command creates a RAID 0 configuration for each disk specified in the `drives` option. You can use the following options to create the RAID volume:

**Table 15. Add RAID 0 configuration input options**

Option	Value range	Description
<code>type</code>	RAID [0 1 5 6 10 50 60].	Sets the RAID type of the configuration.
<code>size</code>	Maximum size based on the physical drives and RAID level.	Sets the size of each virtual drive. The default value is for the capacity of all referenced disks.
<code>name</code>	15 characters of length.	Specifies the drive name for each virtual drive.
<code>drives</code>	Valid enclosure number and valid slot numbers for the enclosure.	In <code>e:s e:s-x e:s-x,y</code> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><code>e</code> specifies the enclosure target.</li> <li><code>s</code> represents the disk slot number.</li> <li><code>e:s-x</code> is the range of disk slot numbers.</li> <li><code>e:s-x,y</code> is the range of disk slot numbers plus the disk with a slot number out of the specified range.</li> </ul> If you replace <code>s-x</code> with 0–9, it will provide 10 RAID 0 virtual disks with each using one disk.
<code>pdperarray</code>	0 to 15.	Specifies the number of physical drives per array. The default value is automatically chosen.
<code>sed</code>	—	Creates security-enabled drives.
<code>pdcache</code>	<code>on off default</code> .	Enables or disables PD cache.
<code>pi</code>	—	Enables protection information.
<code>dimmerswitch</code>	<code>default</code> : Logical device uses controller default power-saving policy. <code>automatic (auto)</code> : Logical device power savings are managed by firmware. <code>none</code> : No power-saving policy. <code>maximum (max)</code> : Logical device uses maximum power savings. <code>MaximumWithoutCaching (maxnocache)</code> : Logical device does not cache write to maximize power savings.	Specifies the power-saving policy. Sets to default automatically.
<code>wt wb</code>	<code>wt</code> : Write through. <code>wb</code> : Write back.	Enables write through. Write back is the default.
<code>nora ra</code>	<code>ra</code> : Read ahead.	Disables read ahead. Enabled is the default.



nora: No read ahead.

cachedbadbbu   nocachedbadbbu	cachedbadbbu: Enable bad BBU caching. nocachedbadbbu: Disable bad BBU caching.	Enables caching when BBU is not functioning. Disabled is the default.
strip	8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, 1024.	Sets the strip size for the RAID configuration.
aftervd	Valid virtual drive number.	Creates the VD in the adjacent free slot next to the specified VD.
spares	Number of spare physical drives present.	Specifies the physical drives that are to be assigned to a disk group for spares.
force	—	Forces a security-capable physical drive to be added to a drive group without security.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 add vd type=raid10 size=2gb,3gb,4gb names=tmp1,tmp2,tmp3 drives=252:2-3,5,7  
pdperarray=2
```

## Delete virtual drives commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following virtual drive delete commands:

```
perccli /cx/vx|vall del  
perccli /cx/vx|vall del force
```

**ⓘ | NOTE: If the virtual drive has user data, you must use the force option to delete the virtual drive.**

A virtual drive with a valid master boot record (MBR) and a partition table is considered to contain user data.

If you delete a virtual drive with a valid MBR without erasing the data and then create a new virtual drive using the same set of physical drives and the same RAID level as the deleted virtual drive, the old unerased MBR still exists at block0 of the new virtual drive, which makes it a virtual drive with valid user data. Therefore, you must provide the force option to delete this newly created virtual drive.

The detailed description for each command follows.

### perccli /cx/vx|vall del

This command deletes a particular virtual drive or, when the vall option is used, all the virtual drives on the controller are deleted.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v2 del
```

**ⓘ | NOTE: This command deletes virtual drives. Data located on these drives will no longer be accessible.**

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### perccli /cx/vx|vall del force

This command deletes a virtual drive only after the cache flush is completed. With the force option, the command deletes a virtual drive without waiting for the cache flush to complete.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v2 del force
```

**NOTE:** This command deletes the virtual drive where the operating system is present. Data located on these drives and the operating system of the drive will no longer be accessible

## Virtual drive show commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following virtual drive show commands:

```
perccli /cx/vx show
perccli /cx/vx show all
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

### perccli /cx/vx show

This command shows the summary of the virtual drive information.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 show
```

### perccli /cx/vx show all

This command shows all virtual drive information, which includes virtual drive information, physical drives used for the virtual drives, and virtual drive properties.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 show all
```

## Preserved cache commands

If a virtual drive becomes offline or is deleted because of missing physical disks, the controller preserves the dirty cache from the virtual disk. The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands for preserved cache:

```
perccli /cx/vx delete preservedCache [force]
perccli /cx show preservedCache
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

### perccli /cx/vx delete preservedcache

This command deletes the preserved cache for a particular virtual drive on the controller in missing state. Use the `force` option to delete the preserved cache of a virtual drive in offline state.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v1 delete preservedcache
```

### perccli /cx show preservedCache

This command shows the virtual drive that has preserved cache and whether the virtual drive is offline or missing.



Input example:

```
perccli /c0 show preservedCache
```

## Change virtual drive properties commands

**NOTE:** In the following, /cx specifies the controller, where x is the controller index, while /vx specifies the virtual drive, where x is the virtual drive ID.

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands to change virtual drive properties:

```
perccli /cx/vx set accesspolicy=RW|RO|Blocked|RmvBlkd
perccli /cx/vx set bootdrive=<on|off>
perccli /cx/vx set cbsize=0|1|2 cbmode=0|1|2|3|4|7
perccli /cx/vx set ds=Default|Auto|None|Max|MaxNoCache
perccli /cx/vx set iopolicy=Cached|Direct
perccli /cx/vx set name=<NameString>
perccli /cx/vx set pdcache=On|Off|Default
perccli /cx/vx set pi=Off
perccli /cx/vx set rdcache=RA|NoRA
perccli /cx/vx set wrccache=WT|WB|FWB
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

### perccli /cx/vx set accesspolicy=<RW|RO|Blocked|RmvBlkd>

This command sets the access policy on a virtual drive to read write, read only, or blocked or rmvblkd (remove blocked).

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 set accesspolicy=rw
```

Options:

RW - Access is Read Write

RO - Access is Read Only

Blocked - Access is Blocked

RmvBlkd - Remove Blocked Access

### perccli /cx/vx set bootdrive=<on|off>

Sets or unsets a virtual drive as the boot drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 set bootdrive=on
```

### perccli /cx/vx set cbsize=0|1|2 cbmode=<0|1|2|3|4|7>

This command sets the cache bypass size and cache bypass mode on a virtual drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 set cbsize=0 cbmode=0|1|2|3|4|7
```

Options:

cbsize:

- 0 — 64k cache bypass
- 1 — 128k cache bypass
- 2 — 256k cache bypass

cbmode:

- 0 — 64k cache bypass
- 1 — Enable standard mode cache bypass
- 3 — Enable custom mode bypass
- 24 — Enable custom mode cache bypass
- 37 — Disable cache bypass

## **perccli /cx/vx set ds=<Default|Auto|None|Max|MaxNoCache>**

This command changes the power-saving properties on a virtual drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 set ds=Default
```

Options:

- Default — Controller default power saving options are applied
- Auto — Power savings is managed by firmware
- None — Power savings is disabled
- Maximum — Maximum power savings options are applied
- MaxNoCache — Maximum power savings with no caching of writes are applied

## **perccli /cx/vx set iopolicy=<cached|direct>**

This command sets the I/O policy on a virtual drive to cached I/O or direct I/O.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 set iopolicy=cached
```

Options:

- Cached — I/Os are cached
- Direct — I/Os are not cached

## **perccli /cx/vx set name=<NameString>**

This command names a virtual drive. The name is restricted to 15 characters.



Options:

NameString — VD name

## **perccli /cx/vx set pdcache=<on|off|default>**

This command sets the current disk cache policy on a virtual drive to on, off, or default setting.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 set pdcache=on
```

Options:

On — Enables pd caching

Off — Disables pd caching

Default —pd caching is set to default

## **perccli /cx/vx set pi=Off**

This command disables the data protection of a virtual drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /cx/vx set pi=Off
```

Options:

Off — Disables data protection

## **perccli /cx/vx set rdcache=<ra|nora>**

This command sets the read cache policy on a virtual drive to read ahead or no read ahead.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 set rdcache=nora
```

Options:

RA= Read ahead

NORA = No read ahead

## **perccli /cx/vx set wrcache=<WT|WB|FWB>**

This command sets the write cache policy on a virtual drive to write back, write through, or always write back.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 set wrcache=wt
```

Options:

WT — Write through





WB — Write back

FWB — Force write back even in case of bad BBU

## Virtual drive initialization commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands to initialize virtual drives:

```
perccli /cx/vx show init
perccli /cx/vx start init [full][Force]
perccli /cx/vx stop init
```

**NOTE:** If the virtual drive has user data, you must use the `force` option to initialize the virtual drive. A virtual drive with a valid MBR and partition table is considered to contain user data.

The detailed description for each command follows.

### perccli /cx/vx show init

This command shows the initialization progress of a virtual drive in percentage.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v2 show init
```

### perccli /cx/vx start init [full]

This command starts the initialization of a virtual drive. The default initialization type is fast initialization. If the `full` option is specified, full initialization of the virtual drive starts.

Input example:

```
perccli /cx/vx start init [full]
```

### perccli /cx/vx stop init

This command stops the initialization of a virtual drive. A stopped initialization cannot be resumed.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 stop init
```

## Virtual drive erase commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following command to erase virtual drives:

### perccli /cx/vx erase [force]

This command erases the data on the virtual drive. You can use the `force` option as a confirmation to erase the data on the drive and the security information.



Input example:

```
perccli /cx/vx show erase
perccli /cx/vx stop erase
perccli /cx/vx start erase [simple| normal| thorough | standard| threepass | crypto]
    [patternA=<val>] [patternB=<val>]
```

**NOTE:** If the virtual drive has user data, you must use the `force` option to erase the virtual drive. A virtual drive with a valid MBR and partition table is considered to contain user data.

## perccli /cx/vx show erase

This command shows the progress of drive's security configuration and erases data in percentage.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v1 show erase
```

## perccli /cx/vx stop erase

This command stops the erase operation.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v1 stop erase
```

## perccli /cx/vx start erase [simple| normal| thorough | standard| threepass | crypto] [patternA=<val>] [patternB=<val>]

This command securely erases non-SED drives. The drive is written with erase patterns to ensure that the data is securely erased. You can use the following options with the start erase command:

**Table 16. Drive erase command options**

Options	Value range	Description
<code>cx[/ex]/sx</code>	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><code>/cx</code> - specifies a controller where X is the controller index</li><li><code>/ex</code> - specifies an enclosure where X is the enclosure device ID</li><li><code>/sx</code> - specifies a physical drive where X is the slot number</li></ul>
<code>erase</code>	simple: Single pass, single pattern write. normal: Three pass, three pattern write  thorough: Nine pass, repeats the normal write three times.  threepass: Three pass, pass1 random pattern write, pass 2, 3 write zero, verify  crypto: Applicable only for ISE capable drives	Secure erase type
<code>patternA</code>	8-bit value	Erase pattern A to overwrite the data.



## Virtual drive migration commands

**NOTE:** The virtual drive migration commands are not supported in Embedded MegaRAID.

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands for virtual drive migration (reconstruction):

```
perccli /cx/vx show migrate
perccli /cx/vx start migrate <type=raidlevel>
[option=<add|remove> disk=<e1/s1,e2/s2 ...> ]
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

### perccli /cx/vx show migrate

This command shows the progress of the virtual drive migrate operation in percentage.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 show migrate
```

### perccli /cx/vx start migrate <type=raidlevel> [option=<add | remove> disk=<e1:s1,e2:s2 ...> ]

This command starts the reconstruction on a virtual drive to the specified RAID level by adding or removing disks from the existing virtual drive. You can use the following options with the start migrate command:

**Table 17. Virtual drive migration command options**

Options	Value range	Description
type = RAID level	RAID [0 1 5 6]	The RAID level to which the virtual drive must be migrated.
[option=<add   remove> disk=<e1:s1,e2:s2, ...>]	add: Adds disks to the virtual drive and starts reconstruction.  remove: Removes disks from the virtual drive and starts reconstruction.  disk: The enclosure number and the slot number of the disks to be added to the virtual drive.	Adds or removes disks from the virtual drive.

Virtual drive migration can be done between the following RAID levels:

**Table 18. Virtual drive migration table**

Initial RAID level	Migrated RAID level
RAID 0	RAID 1
RAID 0	RAID 5
RAID 0	RAID 6



Initial RAID level	Migrated RAID level
RAID 1	RAID 0
RAID 1	RAID 5
RAID 1	RAID 6
RAID 5	RAID 0
RAID 5	RAID 6
RAID 6	RAID 0
RAID 6	RAID 5

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v3 start migrate type=r5 option=add disk=e5:s2,e5:s3
```

## Virtual drive consistency check commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands for virtual drive consistency checks:

```
perccli /cx/vx pause cc
perccli /cx/vx resume cc
perccli /cx/vx show cc
perccli /cx/vx start cc [force]
perccli /cx/vx stop cc
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

### perccli /cx/vx pause cc

This command pauses an ongoing consistency check process. You can resume the consistency check at a later time. You can run this command only on a virtual drive that has a consistency check operation running.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v4 pause cc
```

### perccli /cx/vx resume cc

This command resumes a suspended consistency check operation. You can run this command on a virtual drive that has a paused consistency check operation.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v4 resume cc
```

### perccli /cx/vx show cc

This command shows the progress of the consistency check operation in percentage.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v5 show cc
```

## perccli /cx/vx start cc force

This command starts a consistency check operation for a virtual drive. Typically, a consistency check operation is run on an initialized virtual drive. Use the `force` option to run a consistency check on an uninitialized drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v4 start cc
```

## perccli /cx/vx stop cc

This command stops a consistency check operation. You can run this command only for a virtual drive that has a consistency check operation running.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v4 stop cc
```

**NOTE:** You cannot resume a stopped consistency check process.

## Background initialization commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands for background initialization:

```
perccli /cx/vx resume bgi
perccli /cx/vx set autobgi=<on|off>
perccli /cx/vx show autobgi
perccli /cx/vx show bgi
perccli /cx/vx stop bgi
perccli /cx/vx pause bgi
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

## perccli /cx/vx resume bgi

This command resumes a suspended background initialization operation.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 resume bgi
```

## perccli /cx/vx set autobgi=<on|off>

This command sets the auto background initialization setting for a virtual drive to on or off.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 set autobgi=on
```



## perccli /cx/vx show autobgi

This command shows the background initialization setting for a virtual drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 show autobgi
```

## perccli /cx/vx show bgi

This command shows the background initialization progress on the specified virtual drive in percentage.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 show bgi
```

## perccli /cx/vx stop bgi

This command stops a background initialization operation. You can run this command only for a virtual drive that is currently initialized.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v4 stop bgi
```

## perccli /cx/vx pause bgi

This command suspends a background initialization operation. You can run this command only for a virtual drive that is currently initialized.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v4 pause bgi
```

# Virtual drive expansion commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands for virtual drive expansion:

```
perccli /cx/vx expand size=<value> [expandarray]  
perccli /cx/vx|vall show expansion
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

### **perccli /cx/vx expand size=<value> [expandarray]**

This command expands the virtual drive within the existing array or if you replace the drives with drives larger than the size of the existing array. The value of the expand size is in GB. If the `expandarray` option is specified, the existing array is expanded. If this option is not specified, the virtual drive is expanded.

## perccli /cx/vx show expansion

This command shows the expansion information on the virtual drive with and without array expansion.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 show expansion
```

## Foreign configurations commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands to view, import, and delete foreign configurations:

```
perccli /cx/fx|fall del|delete [ securitykey=sssssssssss ]
perccli /cx/fx|fall import [preview][ securitykey=sssssssssss ]
perccli /cx/fx|fall show [all] [ securitykey=sssssssssss ]
```

**NOTE:** Provide the security key when importing a locked foreign configuration created in a different machine that is encrypted with a security key.

The detailed description for each command follows.

**perccli /cx/fx|fall del| delete [ securitykey=sssssssssss ]**

This command deletes the foreign configuration of a controller. Input the security key if the controller is secured.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/fall delete
```

**perccli /cx/fx|fall import [preview] [ securitykey=sssssssssss ]**

This command imports the foreign configurations of a controller. The `preview` option shows a summary of the foreign configuration before importing it.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/fall import
```

**perccli /cx/fx|fall show [all][ securitykey=sssssssssss ]**

This command shows the summary of the entire foreign configuration for a particular controller. The `all` option shows all the information of the entire foreign configuration.

**NOTE:** The `EID:Slot` column is populated for the foreign PDs that are locked.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/fall show preview foreign
perccli /c0/fall import preview
perccli /c0/fall show all
```

## BIOS-related commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following BIOS commands:

```
perccli /cx set bios [state=<on|off>] [Mode=<SOE|PE|IE|SME>] [abs=<on|off>]
perccli /cx show bios
```

The detailed description for each command follows.



## perccli /cx set bios=[state=<on|off>] [Mode=<SOE|PE|IE|SME>] [abs=<on|off>]

This command sets the BIOS controller property to on or off. The Mode sets the BIOS boot mode.

Only the following combinations are supported:

- perccli /cx set bios state=<on|off>
- perccli /cx set bios Mode-<SOE|PE|IE|SME>
- perccli /cx set bios abs=<on|off>
- perccli /cx set bios DeviceExposure=<value>

Options

SOE — Stop on errors

PE — Pause on errors

IE — Ignore errors

SME — Safe mode on errors

abs — Enables|Disables the auto boot select

DeviceExposure — Number of devices to be exposed: value range is 0–255

value 0 and 1: Expose all

value 2 — 255: Actual number of devices to be exposed

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 set bios=on
```

## perccli /cx show bios

This command displays the value of the controller BIOS.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 show bios
```

## OPROM BIOS commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following OPROM BIOS commands:

```
perccli /cx/ex/sx set bootdrive=on|off
perccli /cx/vx set bootdrive=on|off
perccli /cx show bootdrive
```

The detailed description for each command follows.





## perccli /cx/ex/sx set bootdrive=on|off

This command sets the specified physical drive as the boot drive. During the next reboot, the BIOS looks for a boot sector in the specified physical drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e32/s4 set bootdrive=on
```

## perccli /cx/vx set bootdrive=on|off

This command sets the specified virtual drive as the boot drive. During the next reboot, the BIOS looks for a boot sector in the specified virtual drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 set bootdrive=on
```

## perccli/cx/vx show bootdrive

This command shows the boot drive for the controller. The boot drive can be a physical drive or a virtual drive.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/v0 show bootdrive
```

# Drive group commands

This section describes the drive group commands.

## Drive group show

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following drive group commands:

```
perccli /cx/dx show
perccli /cx/dx show all
perccli /cx/dall show mirror
perccli /cx/dall split mirror
perccli /cx/dall add mirror src=<val> [force]
perccli /cx/dx set security=on
```

**NOTE:** In the following, /cx specifies the controller where x is the controller index, while the value /dx specifies the disk group where x is the disk group index.

## perccli /cx/dx show

This command shows the topology information of the drive group.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/dall show
```



## perccli /cx/dall show mirror

This command displays information about the mirror associated with drive group.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/dall show mirror
```

## perccli /cx/dall split mirror

This command splits apart the mirror virtual drives.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/dall split mirror
```

## perccli /cx/dall add mirror src=<val> [force]

This command joins the virtual drive with its mirror.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/dall add mirror src=<2>
```

Options for <val>:

- 0 — Data will be copied from existing virtual drive to drives.
- 1 — Data will be copied from drives to virtual drive.
- 2 — Broken mirror is imported as a new virtual drive.

## perccli /cx/dx set security=on

This command enables security on the specified drive group.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/d0 set security=on
```

## perccli /cx/dx show all

This command shows physical and virtual drive information for the disk group.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/dall show all
```

# Dimmer switch commands



# Change virtual drive power settings commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following command to change the Dimmer Switch setting. The Dimmer Switch is the power-saving policy for the virtual drive.

## perccli /cx/vx set ds=<default | auto | none | max | maxnocache>

This command changes the power-saving properties on a virtual drive. See `dimmerswitch` in the following table for values.

Input example:

```
perccli /cx/vx set ds=default
```

You can use the following combinations for the dimmer switch commands:

```
perccli /cx set ds=off type=1|2|3|4
perccli /cx set ds=on type=1|2 [properties]
perccli /cx set ds=on type=3|4 defaultldtype=<value> [properties]
perccli /cx set ds=on [properties]
```

The following table describes the power-saving options.

**Table 19. Dimmer switch input options**

Option	Value range	Description
<code>dimmerswitch</code> or <code>ds</code>	<code>on off</code>	Turns the dimmer switch option on.
<code>type</code>	1: Unconfigured 2: Hot spare 3: Virtual drive 4: All	Specifies the type of drives that the dimmer switch feature is applicable. By default, it is activated for unconfigured drives, hot spare drives and virtual drives.
<code>defaultldtype</code>	<code>auto</code> : Logical device power savings are managed by the firmware. <code>none</code> : No power saving policy. <code>max</code> : Logical device uses maximum power savings. <code>maxnocache</code> : Logical device does not cache write to maximise power savings.	Specifies the default logical drive type that is created by the dimmer switch option; set to <code>none</code> automatically.
<code>properties</code>	<code>disableldps</code> : Interval in hours or time in. <code>hh:mmformatspinupdrivecount</code> : Valid enclosure number (0 to 255). <code>SpinUpEncDelay</code> : Valid time in seconds.	Sets the interval or time in which the power-saving policy for the logical drive is turned off. Specifies the number of drives in the enclosure that are spun up. Specifies the delay of spin-up groups within an enclosure in seconds.

## perccli/cx show DimmerSwitch(ds)

This command shows the current dimmer switch setting for the controller.

Input example:



```
perccli/c0 show ds
```

## BBU commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following battery backup unit (BBU) commands:

```
perccli /cx/bbu set [learnDelayInterval=<val>|bbuMode=<val>|learnStartTime=[DDDHH|off]|  
autolearnmode=<val>|powermode=sleep|writeaccess=sealed]  
perccli /cx/bbu show  
perccli /cx/bbu show all  
perccli /cx/bbu show learn  
perccli /cx/bbu show properties  
perccli /cx/bbu show status  
perccli /cx/bbu start learn
```

In the following, /cx specifies a controller where x is the controller index, and /bbu signifies a battery backup unit.

The detailed description for each command follows:

### perccli /cx/bbu set <options>

This command sets bbu properties on the controller bbu.

Options:

- learnDelayInterval=<val>: number of hours to delay a learn cycle, not greater than 7 days
- bbuMode=<val>: val range 0–255
- autolearnmode=<val>: 0 — Enabled, 1 — Disabled, 2 — WarnViaEvent
- learnStartTime=[DD HH|off>: DDD — day of week {SUN, MON, . . . SAT} HH — 0–23 hours, off: Sets learn start to OFF
- powermode=sleep
- writeaccess=sealed

### perccli /cx/bbu show

This command shows the summary information for the BBU of a controller.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/bbu show
```

### perccli /cx/bbu show all

This command shows all the information of a BBU.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/bbu show all
```



## perccli /cx/bbu show learn

## perccli /cx/bbu show properties

This command shows the BBU Learn properties for a controller.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/bbu show properties
```

## perccli /cx/bbu show status

This command shows summary information for the BBU of a controller.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/bbu show status
```

## perccli /cx/bbu start learn

This command starts the BBU learning cycle.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/bbu start learn
```

# Enclosure commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following enclosure commands:

```
perccli /cx/ex show
perccli /cx/ex show all
perccli /cx/ex show phyerrorcounters
perccli /cx/ex show status
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

## perccli /cx/ex show

Input example:

```
perccli /c1/e1 show
```

## perccli /cx/ex show all

This command shows the status of each model in the enclosure.



Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e0 show all
```

## perccli /cx /ex show phyerrorcounters

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 /e0 show phyerrorcounters
```

## perccli /cx/ex show status [extended]

This command shows the enclosure status and the status of all the enclosure elements.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/e0 show status
```

## PHY commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following PHY commands:

```
perccli /cx/px|pall set linkspeed=0(auto)|1.5|3|6|12
perccli /cx/px|pall show
perccli /cx/px|pall show all
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

## perccli /cx/px|pall set linkspeed=0(auto)|1.5|3|6|12

This command sets the PHY link speed. You can set the speed to 1.5 Gb/s, 3 Gb/s, 6 Gb/s, or 12 Gb/s. The link speed is set to `auto` when you specify `linkspeed = 0`.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0/p0 set linkspeed=1.5
```

## perccli /cx/px|pall show

This command shows the basic PHY layer information.

Input example:

```
perccli /c1/p0 show
```

## perccli /cx/px|pall show all

This command shows all the PHY layer information.

Input example:



```
perccli /c1/p0 show all
```

## Logging commands

The PERC Command Line Tool supports the following commands to generate and maintain log files:

```
perccli /cx delete events
perccli /cx show events file=<absolute path>
perccli /cx show eventloginfo
```

The detailed description for each command follows.

### perccli /cx delete events

This command deletes all records in the event log.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 delete events
```

### perccli /cx show eventloginfo

This command shows the history of log files generated.

Input example:

```
perccli /c0 show eventloginfo type=config
```

## PERC CLI command examples

You can use the Dell PowerEdge RAID Controller (PERC) Command Line Interface (CLI) to manage RAID controllers, configure PERC cards, and perform a variety of controller and enclosure specific operations.

## Getting a complete list of CLI commands

To view a full list of available CLI commands, use one of the following CLI commands:

```
perccli64.exe -help > [filename]
perccli64.exe -? > [filename]
```

## Checking controller availability

### Syntax

```
perccli show
```

### Description

Displays information about the adapter and the operating system.



## Result

```
Status Code = 0
Status = Success
Description = none
```

```
Number of Controllers = 1
Host name = WIN-RFV0S1VAILB
Operating System = Windows Server 2012
```

```
System Overview :
=====
```

Ctl Model	Ports	PDs	DGs	DNOpt	VDs	VNOpt	BBU	sPR	DS	EHS	ASOs
0 Adapter	8	9	2	0	2	0	Fld	On	3	N	0

## Viewing controllers

### Syntax

```
perccli show ctrlcount
```

### Description

Displays the number of controllers detected in the server.

## Result

```
Status Code = 0
Status = Success
Description = None
```

```
Controller Count = 1
```

## Viewing free space information

### Syntax

```
perccli /c0 show freespace
```

### Description

Displays the free space details of the controller.

## Result

```
Status Code = 0
Status = Success
```





```
Description = None
FREE SPACE DETAILS :
=====
Total Slot Count = 0
ID-Index|DG-Drive Group|AftrVD-Identify Freespace After VD
```

## Viewing disk1 information

### Syntax

```
perccli /c0/d1 show
```

### Description

Displays information about disk1.

### Result

```
Controller = 0
Status = Success
Description = Show Diskgroup Succeeded
```

```
TOPOLOGY :
=====
```

DG	Arr	Row	EID:Slot	DID	Type	State	BT	Size	PDC	PI	SED	DS3	FSpace
1	-	-	-	-	RAID0	Opt1	N	558.375 GB	dflt	N	Y	dflt	N
1	0	-	-	-	RAID0	Opt1	N	558.375 GB	dflt	N	Y	dflt	N
1	0	0	32:2	2	DRIVE	Onln	N	558.375 GB	dflt	N	Y	dflt	-

## Viewing controller, virtual disk, and drivers information

### Syntax

```
perccli /c0 show
```

### Description

Displays information about the adapter, virtual disks, and drivers.

### Result

```
Status Code = 0
Status = Success
Description = none
```

```
Product Name = PERC H730P Adapter
Serial Number = 38E005K
SAS Address = 5b8ca3a0f78d9000
Mfg. Date = 08/28/13
```



System Time = 11/30/2013 05:12:51  
 Controller Time = 11/30/2013 05:13:29  
 FW Package Build = 25.2.0.0014  
 BIOS Version = 6.12.00\_4.12.05.00\_0x06020101  
 FW Version = 4.220.00-2918  
 Driver Name = PercSas3.sys  
 Driver Version = 6.600.52.00  
 Controller Bus Type = N/A  
 PCI Slot = N/A  
 PCI Bus Number = 4  
 PCI Device Number = 0  
 PCI Function Number = 0  
 Drive Group = 2

TOPOLOGY :  
 =====

DG	Arr	Row	EID:Slot	DID	Type	State	BT	Size	PDC	PI	SED	DS3	FSpace
0	-	-	-	-	RAIDS	Opt1	N	1.635 TB	dflt	N	V	dflt	N
0	0	-	-	-	RAIDS	Opt1	N	1.635 TB	dflt	N	V	dflt	N
0	0	0	32:0	0	DRIVE	Onln	N	558.375 GB	dflt	N	V	dflt	-
0	0	1	32:1	1	DRIVE	Onln	N	558.375 GB	dflt	N	V	dflt	-
0	0	2	32:3	3	DRIVE	Onln	N	558.375 GB	dflt	N	V	dflt	-
0	0	3	32:4	4	DRIVE	Onln	N	558.375 GB	dflt	N	V	dflt	-
1	-	-	-	-	RAID0	Opt1	N	558.375 GB	dflt	N	V	dflt	N
1	0	-	-	-	RAID0	Opt1	N	558.375 GB	dflt	N	V	dflt	N
1	0	0	32:2	2	DRIVE	Onln	N	558.375 GB	dflt	N	V	dflt	-

Virtual Drives = 2

VD LIST :  
 =====

DG/VD	Type	State	Access	Consist	Cache	sCC	Size	Name
0/0	RAID5	Opt1	RW	Yes	RWTD	-	1.635 TB	
1/1	RAID0	Opt1	RW	Yes	RWTD	-	558.375 GB	Test

Physical Drives = 9

PD LIST :  
 =====

EID:Slr	DID	State	DG	Size	Intf	Med	SED	PI	SeSz	Model	Sp
32:0	0	Onln	0	558.375 GB	SAS	HDD	Y	Y	4 KB	ST600MP0084	U
32:1	1	Onln	0	558.375 GB	SAS	HDD	Y	Y	4 KB	ST600MP0084	U
32:2	2	Onln	1	558.375 GB	SAS	HDD	Y	N	512B	ST600MP0054	U
32:3	3	Onln	0	558.375 GB	SAS	HDD	Y	Y	4 KB	ST600MP0084	U
32:4	4	Onln	0	558.375 GB	SAS	HDD	Y	Y	4 KB	ST600MP0084	U
32:5	5	UGood	-	558.375 GB	SAS	HDD	N	N	512B	ST600MP0034	U
32:6	6	UGood	-	558.375 GB	SAS	HDD	Y	N	512B	ST600MP0054	U
32:7	7	UGood	-	558.375 GB	SAS	HDD	N	N	512B	ST600MP0034	U
32:18	18	UGood	-	558.375 GB	SAS	HDD	Y	N	512B	ST600MP0054	U

Cachevault\_info :  
 =====

Model	State	Temp	Mode	MfgDate
BBU	Failed	76C	-	2011/07/18



## Checking for preserved cache

### Syntax

```
perccli /c0 show preservedcache
```

### Description

Displays available preserved cache.

### Result

```
Controller = 0  
Status = Success  
Description = None
```

```
-----  
VD State  
-----  
0 Missing  
-----
```

## Deleting preserved cache

### Syntax

```
perccli /c0/v1 delete preservedcache
```

### Description

Deletes the available preserved cache.

### Result

```
Controller = 0  
Status = Success  
Description = Virtual Drive preserved Cache Data Cleared
```

## Viewing expansion information

### Syntax

```
perccli /c0/v0 show expansion
```



## Description

Displays virtual drive's expansion information with and without array expansion.

## Result

```
Controller = 0
Status = Success
Description = None

EXPANSION INFORMATION :
=====
-----
VD      Size  OCE  NoArrExp  WithArrExp  Status
-----
0      1.635 TB  N    -         -           -
-----
OCE - Online Capacity Expansion | WithArrExp - With Array Expansion
NoArrExp - Without Array Expansion
```

## Viewing the foreign configuration

### Syntax

```
perccli /c0/fall show
```

## Description

Displays the foreign configuration of the selected controller.

## Result

```
Controller = 0
Status = Success
Description = Operation on foreign configuration Succeeded

FOREIGN CONFIGURATION :
=====
-----
DG EID:Slot Type  State      Size NoVDs
-----
0 -          RAID0 Frgn  372.0 GB   1
-----
NoVDs - Number of VDs in disk group|DG - Diskgroup
Total foreign drive groups = 1
```

## Importing the foreign configuration

### Syntax

```
perccli /c0/fall import
```



## Description

Imports the foreign configurations of the selected controller.

## Result

```
Controller = 0
Status = Success
Description = Successfully imported foreign configuration
```

## Viewing BBU information

## Syntax

```
perccli /c0/bbu show all
```

## Description

Displays information related to the Battery Backup Unit (BBU) of a controller.

## Result

```
Controller = 0
Status = Success
Description = None
```

```
BBU_Info :
```

```
=====
```

```
-----
Property      Value
-----
Type          BBU
Voltage       3 mV
Current       0 mA
Temperature   32 C
Battery State Optimal
-----
```

```
BBU_Firmware_Status :
```

```
=====
```

```
-----
Property                                             Value
-----
Charging Status                                     None
Voltage                                              OK
Temperature                                          OK
Learn Cycle Requested                              No
Learn Cycle Active                                  No
Learn Cycle Status                                  OK
Learn Cycle Timeout                                 No
I2C Errors Detected                                No
Battery Pack Missing                                No
Replacement required                                No
Remaining Capacity Low                              No
Periodic Learn Required                             No
Transparent Learn                                   No
No space to cache offload                           No
```



Pack is about to fail & should be replaced No  
Cache Offload premium feature required No  
Module microcode update required No

-----  
GasGaugeStatus :  
=====

-----  
Property Value  
-----  
Fully Discharged Yes  
Fully Charged Yes  
Discharging No  
Initialized No  
Remaining Time Alarm No  
Remaining Capacity Alarm Yes  
Terminate Discharge Alarm No  
Over Temperature No  
Charging Terminated No  
Over Charged No  
Relative State of Charge 100%  
Charger System State Complete  
Remaining Capacity 407  
Full Charge Capacity 407  
Is SOH Good Yes  
Battery backup charge time 0 hour(s)  
-----

BBU\_Capacity\_Info :  
=====

-----  
Property Value  
-----  
Relative State of Charge 100%  
Absolute State of charge 0%  
Remaining Capacity 407 mAh  
Full Charge Capacity 407 mAh  
Run time to empty Battery is not being charged  
Average time to empty 33 min  
Average Time to full Battery is not being charged  
Cycle Count 3  
Max Error 0%  
Remaining Capacity Alarm 0 mAh  
Remaining Time Alarm 0 minutes(s)  
-----

BBU\_Design\_Info :  
=====

-----  
Property Value  
-----  
Date of Manufacture 18/07/2011  
Design Capacity 90 mAh  
Design Voltage 0 mV  
Specification Info 0  
Serial Number 0  
Pack Stat Configuration 0  
Manufacturer's Name  
Device Name  
Device Chemistry  
Battery FRU N/A  
Transparent Learn 1  
App Data 0  
Module Version 0.3  
-----

BBU\_Properties :  
=====

-----  
Property Value  
-----



```
Auto Learn Period      90d (7776000 seconds)
Next Learn time       2014/02/19 12:44:32 (446129072 seconds)
Learn Delay Interval  0 hour(s)
Auto-Learn Mode       Transparent
-----
```

## Viewing physical drive details for the specified slot in the controller

### Syntax

```
perccli /c0/e32/s4 show all
```

### Description

Displays information about the physical drive, including device attribute, settings, and port information for a particular slot in the controller.

### Result

```
Controller = 0
Status = Success
Description = Show Drive Information Succeeded.
```

```
Drive /c0/e32/s4:
```

```
=====
-----
EID:SlT  DID  State  DG          Size  Intf  Med  SED  PI  SeSz  Model          Sp
-----
32:4     4    Onln   0    558.375 GB  SAS   HDD  Y   Y   4 KB  ST600MP0084    U
-----
```

```
EID-Enclosure Device ID|SlT-Slot No.|DID-Device ID|DG-Drive Group
DHS-Dedicated Hot Spare|UGood-Unconfigured Good|GHS-Global Hotspare
UBad-Unconfigured Bad|Onln-Online|Offln-Offline|Intf-Interface
Med-Media Type|SED-Self Encryption Drive|PI-Protection Info
SeSz-Sector Size|Sp-Spun|U-Up|D-Down|T-Transition|F-Foriegn
UGUnsp-Unsupported
```

```
Drive /c0/e32/s4 - Detailed Information :
```

```
=====
Drive /c0/e32/s4 State :
=====
Shield Counter = 0
Media Error Count = 0
Other Error Count = 0
Drive Temperature = 43c <109.40F>
Predictive Failure Count = 0
S.M.A.R.T alert flagged by drive = No
```

```
Drive /c0/e32/s4 Device attribute :
```

```
=====
SN = S2G01H5T
WWN = 5000C5006B1A4FB8
Firmware Revision = VB44
Raw size = 558.911 GB [0x8bba5f6 Sectors]
Coerced size = 558.375 GB [0x8b98000 Sectors]
Non Coerced size = 558.411 GB [0x8b9a5f6 Sectors]
Device Speed = 6.0Gb/s
Link Speed = 6.0Gb/s
Logical Sector Size = 4 KB
Physical Sector Size = 4 KB
```



```

Drive /c0/e32/s4 Policies/Settings :
=====
Drive position = DriveGroup:0, Span:0, Row:3
Enclosure Position = 0
Connected Port Number = 0<path0>
Sequence Number = 2
Commissioned Spare = No
Emergency Spare = No
Last Predictive Failure Event Sequence Number = 0
Successful diagnostics completion on = N/A
SED Capable = Yes
SED Enabled = Yes
Secured = Yes
Locked = No
Needs EKM Attention = No
PI Eligible = Yes
Drive is formatted for PI = Yes
PI type = 2
Number of bytes of user data in LBA = 4 KB
Certified = Yes
Wide Port Capable = No

Port Information :
=====
-----
Port   Status  Linkspeed  SAS address
-----
  0    Active  6.0Gb/s    0x5000c5006b1a4fba
  1    Active  6.0Gb/s    0x0
-----

Inquiry Data =
00 00 06 12 8b 01 30 02 53 45 41 47 41 54 45 20
53 54 36 30 30 4d 50 30 30 38 34 20 20 20 20 20
56 42 34 34 53 32 47 30 31 48 35 54 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 43 6f 70 79 72 69 67 68 74 20 28 63 29 20 32
30 31 33 20 53 65 61 67 61 74 65 20 41 6c 6c 20

```

## Viewing the boot drive for the controller

### Syntax

```
perccli /c0 show bootdrive
```

### Description

Displays the boot drive for the controller. The boot drive can be a physical drive or a virtual drive.

### Result

```

Controller = 0
Status = Success
Description = None

Controller Properties :
=====
-----
Ctrl_Prop  Value
-----

```





## Setting virtual drive as boot drive

### Syntax

```
perccli /c0/v13 set bootdrive = on
```

### Description

Sets the specified virtual drive as the boot drive. During the next reboot, the BIOS looks for a boot sector in the specified virtual drive.

### Result

```
Controller = 0
Status = Success
Description = None
```

```
Detailed Status :
=====
```

VD	Property	Value	Status	ErrCd	ErrMsg
13	Boot Drive	On	Success	0	-

## Locating a drive

### Syntax

```
perccli /c0/e32/s0 start locate
```

### Description

Locates a drive and activates the physical disk activity LED.

### Result

```
Controller = 0
Status = Success
Description = Start Drive Locate Succeeded
```

# Stopping a locate operation

## Syntax

```
perccli /c0/e32/s0 stop locate
```

## Description

Stops a drive locate operation and deactivates the physical disk activity LED.

## Result

```
Controller = 0  
Status = Success  
Description = Stop Drive Locate Succeeded
```



## Getting help

You can get help with your Dell product by contacting Dell, or send feedback on product documentation.

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- 2 Select your country from the drop-down menu on the lower right corner of the page.
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  - a Enter your system Service Tag in the **Enter your Service Tag** field.
  - b Click **Submit**.  
The support page that lists the various support categories is displayed.
- 4 For general support:
  - a Select your product category.
  - b Select your product segment.
  - c Select your product.  
The support page that lists the various support categories is displayed.
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