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# 1 Introduction

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## 1.1 Overview

The Intel Virtual RAID on CPU (Intel VROC) 6.0 Production Version (PV) release package is intended for all customers designing platforms that are based off of Intel's Purley Refresh design.

The Intel VROC 6.0 family of products provide enterprise RAID solutions for both NVMe SSD and SATA devices for enterprise servers and workstations. The product family includes the following three products.

1. Intel VROC (VMD NVMe RAID) – This product provides an enterprise RAID solution on Intel® Xeon® Scalable Family Platforms that support the Intel VMD technology.
2. Intel VROC (SATA RAID) – This product provides an enterprise RAID solution for SATA devices connected to SATA/sSATA the Intel Platform Control Hub (PCH) configured for RAID mode.
3. Intel VROC (NonVMD NVMe RAID) – This product provides an enterprise RAID solution for Intel NVMe SSDs attached to PCIe slots managed by the Platform CPU. Intel VROC (NonVMD NVMe RAID) is not intended for, nor supports:
  - a. Non-Intel NVMe SSDs.
  - b. Platforms that have on Intel® Xeon® Scalable Family Platforms CPUs that contain Intel VMD technology (weather enabled or disabled).

**Note:** Intel VROC 6.0 is a high level blanket product reference for Intel VROC (VMD NVMe RAID), Intel VROC (SATA RAID) and Intel VROC (NonVMD NVMe RAID).

Along with the above mentioned packages, included in this PC package are the Intel VROC 6.0 Pre-OS environment

1. Intel VROC (VMD NVMe RAID) UEFI drivers
2. Intel VROC (SATA RAID) UEFI drivers
3. Intel VROC (SATA RAID) Legacy OROM images are included.

Please see the **Supported Platforms** section for additional information on older platforms supported with this release.

**Note:** It is always recommended to update your system BIOS to the included PV release of Pre-OS drivers to take advantage of the most optimal and updated features of each Production Version release.

## 1.2 Defect Submission Support

With this release, Intel will accept and process issues reported by customers via the Intel Premier Support (IPS) portal.

To submit an issue, please use the Intel Premier Support (IPS) tool. Information, training and details can be found at the below website. Your local FAE can also provide you the necessary



requirements to enable you to submit an IPS issue (also known as a “case”) including an account setup if you do not already have one.

<http://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/design/support/ips/training/welcome.html>

When submitting a case, please include the following Fields in order to flag Intel VROC AE support for Intel® Xeon® Scalable platforms.

- Case Information -> Product = Purley
- Case Details -> Subject= <Add short title summary of issue>
- Case Details -> Case Description = <add description and how to reproduce error>
- Case Details -> Case Type = <fill in type of request>
- Case Details -> Severity = <fill in severity of issue>
- Case Details -> End Customer = <name of OEM>
- Case Details -> Issue Source = IPS Cloud
- Case Details -> Severity
- Product/Project Info -> Case Category = TechnologyInitiative
- Product/Project Info -> Case Subcategory = Intel® Virtual RAID on CPU (Intel® VROC)
- Environment Details -> Purley-PCH = lbg-4
- Environment Details -> Purley-CPU = skx-2s (or skx 4s)
- Environment Details -> BKC or SW Version = 5.5

## 1.3 Supported Operating Systems

Only 64bit OS support is available for the following OS versions

- Windows\* Server 2012 R2 Enterprise (supported on Server platform only)
- Windows\* 10 RS3 / RS4 / RS5 (supported on Workstations platforms only)
- Windows\* Server 2016 Enterprise (supported on Server platform only)
- Windows\* Server 2019 Enterprise (supported on Server platform only)

Note: Microsoft\* Windows\* 7 will not be supported in future releases

## 1.4 Operating Systems Not Supported In This Release

- Windows\* Vista (Support/Updates concluded with 4.1.2.1011)
- Windows\* Server 2003 (Support/Updates concluded with 4.0.2.1019)
- Windows\* Server 2008 (Support/Updates concluded with 4.0.2.1019)
- Windows\* 8 (Support/Updates concluded with 4.2.2.1005)
- Windows\* Server 2012 (Support/Updates concluded with 4.2.2.1005)
- Windows\* 8.1 (Support/Updates concluded with 4.7 PV)
- Windows\* Server 2008 R2 (Support/Updates concluded with 4.7 PV)
- Windows\* 10 RS1 / RS2 (Support / Updates concluded with 5.4 PV)
- Windows\* 7 SP2 (supported on Workstations only) (Support / Updates concluded with 5.5 PV)

Intel C600 series chipset support/updates concluded with 4.5 PV

Any Showstopper issues reported in any of the above configurations will be addressed in their corresponding (identified) baselines.



## 1.5 Supported Platforms

### Intel® Xeon® Scalable Platforms

- Intel® C620 series chipset
- Intel® C422 series chipset family

### Intel® Xeon® Processor D-2100 Product Family

Intel VROC (NonVMD NVMe RAID) support on the following platforms:

- Intel® Xeon® Processor E5 v3, v4 Families with the Intel® C610 series chipset
- Intel® Xeon® Processor Families with the Intel® C220 series chipset
- Intel® Xeon® Processor E3 v5 Families with the Intel® C230 series chipset
- Intel® Xeon® E Processor Family with the Intel® C240 series Chipset

**Note:** It is strongly recommended to update your system BIOS to the 6.0 Pre-OS.

Please see the Intel VROC Technical Product Specification included in this release for specific details

*Note: For answers to questions concerning the Intel PCH series chipsets support and/or to obtain other technical collateral, please contact your local Intel FAE.*





## 2 Intel VROC Limitations

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### 2.1 Intel VROC (NonNVMe NVMe RAID) Support

Intel VROC (NonVMD NVMe RAID) support is included in the Intel VROC 6.0 release package. This package supports only Intel NVMe SSDs and does not support (nor can be installed on) platforms that support Intel VMD. Intel VROC (NonVMD NVMe RAID) supports DATA RAID. Boot support is not available. For more information, please refer to the Intel VROC TPS included with this package.

NOTE: This functionality is not supported on Purley Refresh platforms

### 2.2 Surprise Hot Plug Limitations

Due to Microsoft\* Windows\* time restrictions for resuming from S3 and S4, and Intel VMD device identification requirements, Hot Plug of Intel VMD enabled NVMe devices is not supported during S3 and S4 states.

Surprise removal of multiple NVMe SSDs at one time are not supported. The user must wait until a device is reflected as removed / inserted in device manager for spacing surprise hot plug of Intel VMD enabled PCIe NVMe SSDs in Microsoft\* Windows\*.

### 2.3 Expect Longer Rebuild Times for RAID 5

On a RAID 5 volume, disk cache is being turned off when a volume is degraded. Due to this, the rebuilding times have increased expectedly until the rebuild is completed, and disk cache is enabled again.

### 2.4 Intel VROC Trial Version Limitations

**Data RAID Only (No Boot Support)**  
**Data RAID must be installed on same make/model of NVMe devices**

Please refer to the Intel VROC Trial Version section in the Intel VROC Technical Product Specification for 5.4PV for more details

### 2.5 Intel VROC PreOS UEFI Driver Uninstall limitations

The Intel VROC UEFI RAID drivers comply with UEFI Specifications for PCI Driver Model for PCI Device Drivers (Section 13.3.3) and may return Status Code "access denied" from UninstallProtocolInterface routine from Boot services (spec. 6.3). This is expected behavior.



## 2.6 Intel NVMe Wear Leveling Recommendations

NVMe SSD Wear Leveling refers to techniques used to prolong the service life of NVMe drives. This section outlines recommendations to maximize Wear Leveling on RAID 5 volumes.

Strip Size No of drives	4	8	16	32	64	128
3	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
4	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal
5	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
6	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal
7	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
8	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal
9	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
10	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal
11	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
12	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal
13	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
14	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal
15	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
16	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal
17	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
18	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal
19	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
20	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal
21	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
22	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal
23	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
24	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal

**Note:** It is left to the customer to determine the most effective combination of parameters (number of drives vs. strip size) to achieve their desired performance goals, usage models and drive endurance.



## 2.7 Must use F6 Install Method

The use of the included Intel VROC F6 drivers are required to install an OS onto an Intel VROC managed device(s). There is no Microsoft “inbox” driver that supports Intel VROC 6.0.

The supported Microsoft Operating Systems for this product include inbox drivers that support the Intel® C620 and C422 series chipset Platform Controller Hub (PCH) when configured for RAID mode. It is strongly recommended that the Intel VROC (SATA RAID) F6 drivers included in this release be used instead of the available “inbox” driver. The provided “inbox” driver is intended only for those customers who may not have the Intel VROC (SATA RAID) F6 drivers readily available and ONLY for installing to a single drive (NOT to a RAID volume). Once the OS is installed, it is strongly recommended that the Intel VROC 6.0 installer package be installed immediately. At that point, it will be safe to migrate the SATA system disk into a RAID Volume (using the Intel VROC GUI).

## 2.8 Intel C620 and C422 series chipset Port Limitations

This limitation is in reference to platforms having a PCH that supports more than 6 SATA ports. The Intel C620 and C422 series chipset SATA controller supports 8 SATA ports. As referenced above, The Microsoft Windows Operating systems that contain the “inbox” drivers for the Intel® C620 and C422 series chipset Platform Controller Hub (PCH) when configured for RAID mode, only support 6 ports. Drives on ports 7 and/or 8 are not enumerated. For this reason, Intel recommends not using these 2 ports as part of the Windows\* OS boot installation (as a pass-thru drive or as part of a RAID volume). However, if you do need to use these ports as part of your Windows\* boot volume, the steps below can be used as a workaround.

Note: you will need a USB drive with the Intel VROC IntelVROCCLI.exe utility.

1. After you have created the desired RAID volume that includes ports 7 and/or 8 (which you intend to use as your Windows\* boot volume) in the PreOS environment, begin the Windows\* installation process. **Make note of the RAID volume name.**
2. Navigate to the Windows\* disk selection window. At this point, select the Load Driver button and install the Intel VROC F6 driver (included in this package).
3. Attempt to continue installing the Windows OS onto the RAID volume. If the installation process does not continue, this error has been encountered.
4. Press f10 to invoke a CMD window.
5. If you have not already done so, please insert the USB drive into the system. Navigate to your USB drive with the RstCLI.exe utility.
6. Run command: IntelVROCCLI.exe --manage --normal-volume <volumeName>
7. This will reset the volume to a normal state.
8. Close the CMD window.
9. In the Windows\* disk selection window, reload the Intel VROC f6 driver.
10. Once completed, Windows\* should allow installation on the RAID volume.

## 2.9 Intel VROC Key Removal/Upgrade Limitation

With Microsoft\* Windows\* 10, Fast Startup is enabled by default. Disable Fast Startup prior to removing/upgrading the Intel VROC HW key. OR, perform a complete reboot when removing/inserting a HW key when Fast Startup is enabled.



## 2.10 NVMe Port Assignment by Intel VROC

In Windows and UEFI, the port number shown in the Intel VROC interfaces depends on disk enumeration order by the Intel VMD-enabled NVMe driver, which can be different on each platform. The port numbers shown does not reflect the physical PCIe slot. After each hot plug, there is an enumeration process which is NOT fixed.

Please see the **Intel® VROC Windows Technical Product Specification** for information on the new Intel VROC UEFI Device Info Protocol for unique NVMe physical slot locations.

## 2.11 Windows\* 10 RS5/Server 2019

### 2.11.1 Idle Power increased

Installing Intel VROC 6.0 PV onto a platform running Windows\* 10 RS5. In Windows and UEFI, the port number shown in the Intel VROC interfaces depends on disk enumeration order by the Intel VMD-enabled NVMe driver, which can be different on each platform. The port numbers shown does not reflect the physical PCIe slot. After each hot plug, there is an enumeration process which is NOT fixed.

Please see the **Intel® VROC for Windows Technical Product Specification** for information on the new Intel VROC UEFI Device Info Protocol for unique NVMe physical slot locations.

### 2.11.2 Intel VROC Support for Windows 10 RS5 / Server 2019

Intel VROC 5.5.0.2013 introduces support for Windows\* 10 RS5 and Windows\* Server 2019.

**NOTE:** There is a known issue trying to install Windows\* 10 RS5 / Server 2019. Installing Windows\* 10 RS5 or Server 2019 onto an Intel VMD managed device is limited to a single CPU. For more information please see the Known Issues section below.

## 2.12 Intel VROC 6.0 on Windows\* Server 2012 R2

When installing Intel VROC 6.0 onto Windows\* Server 2012 R2, the following Microsoft\* updates must first be applied:

1. KB4054566
2. KB2999226
3. KB2919355
4. KB3172729



## 3 Supported PCIe NVMe SSDs List

All shipping Intel® Data Center and Professional NVMe\* SSDs are supported by Intel® VROC 6.0 PV, except dual port NVMe\* SSDs.

### 3.1 Non-Intel PCIe NVMe SSDs supported in Intel 6.0:

Vendor	Model
Lenovo*	Atsani
Huawei*	ES3600P
Samsung*	SM951
Samsung*	SM961
Samsung*	PM961
Samsung*	PM953
Samsung*	PM963
Samsung*	PM983
Toshiba*	PX04PMB
Toshiba*	XG3
Toshiba*	XG5
Micron*	9100 Series
Micron*	9200 Series
Western Digital*	PC SN720



## 4 New In VROC 6.0 PC

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### 4.1 Introduced in Intel® VROC 6.0 is the support for the Purley Refresh platform

This section features Intel's commitment to excellence; always improving and listening to our customers' needs.

### 4.2 Intel RSTe Name Changes

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2. Intel VROC (SATA RAID) – This product provides an enterprise RAID solution for SATA devices connected to SATA/sATA the Intel Platform Control Hub (PCH) configured for RAID mode. In previous releases, this was simply referred to as Intel Rapid Storage Technology enterprise (Intel RSTe).
3. Intel VROC (NonVMD NVMe RAID) – This product provides an enterprise RAID solution for Intel NVMe SSDs attached to PCIe slots managed by the Platform CPU. Intel VROC (NonVMD NVMe RAID) is not intended for, nor supports:
  - a. Non-Intel NVMe SSDs.
  - b. Platforms that have on Intel® Xeon® Scalable Family Platforms CPUs that contain Intel VMD technology (weather enabled or disabled).

In previous releases, this was simply referred to as Intel RSTe NVMe.

### 4.3 Intel VROC Support for Windows 10 RS5 / Server 2019

Intel VROC 6.0.0.1357 release package includes support for Windows\* 10 RS5 and Windows\* Server 2019.

**Note:** There is a known issue trying to install Windows\* 10 RS5 / Server 2019. Installing Windows\* 10 RS5 or Server 2019 onto an Intel VMD managed device is limited to a single CPU. For more information please see the Known Issues section below.

**Note:** It may be noticed that installing Intel VROC 6.0 when installing or using Windows\* 10 RS5 /Server 2019 that installation may take longer than previous OS versions. This is being investigated.



## 5 Features Introduced In Intel RSTe 5.5

### 5.1 Intel VROC and Intel RSTe SATA LED Management in HII BIOS

LED management support is now available in the Intel Virtual RAID on CPU UEFI HII BIOS Menu and in the PCH Intel RSTe HII BIOS menu. The LOCATE option is functional for each NVMe SSD with VMD enabled on its root port. A list of drives behind VMD is visible in a table to the user. The desired device can be selected to blink the LOCATE LED.

When the drive is deselected, then the Blink pattern for this drive will be OFF.

Upon boot into the RSTe UEFI BIOS HII, each drive discovered by the driver should be ON.

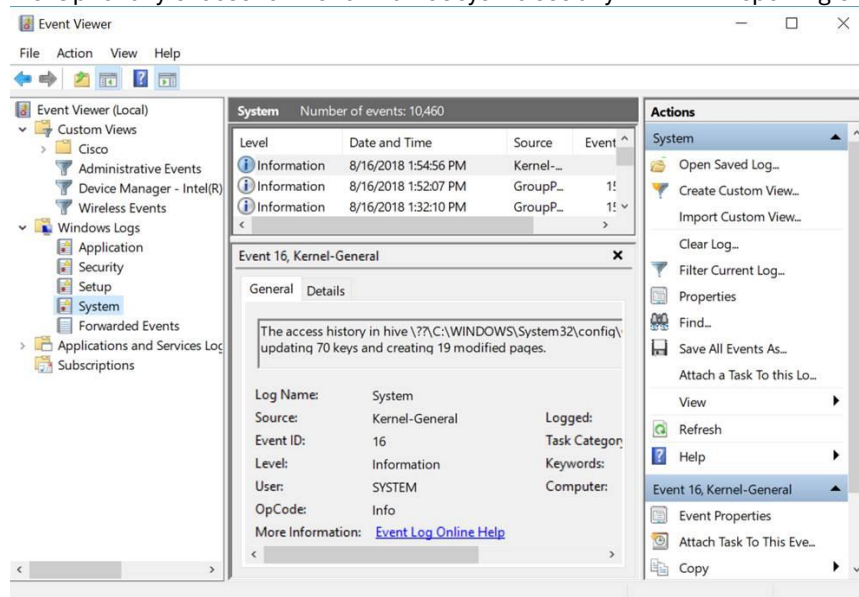
Otherwise, the indicator LED should be OFF.

### 5.2 Intel VMD Advanced Error Reporting (AER) Logging for Windows

The Intel VMD component of the Intel VROC Windows Driver will log the following Non-fatal (0b) AER Errors:

- Poisoned TLP
- Completion Timeout
- Completer Abort
- Unexpected Completion
- ECRC Error
- Unsupported Request Error
- ACS Violation
- MC Blocked TLP
- Atomic Op Egress Blocked
- TLP Prefix Blocked

**Example:** Windows event viewer -> Windows Logs -> System, and choose to save all events to a file. Optionally choose to filter on "iavroc.sys" to see any VMD AER reporting events.





### 5.3 New Fields added for UEFI Intel VROC Device Info Protocol

Intel VROC UEFI Drivers add the following new fields to the UEFI Intel VROC Device Info Protocol to assist in device recognition during factory process when Intel VMD root port is enabled on NVMe SSDs.

- DeviceId
- SubsystemVendorId
- SubsystemId
- ClassCode
- RevisionId
- FirmwareRev
- OptionROMBar
- RootPortBusNum
- RootPortDeviceNum
- RootPortFunctionNum
- SegmentNum

Please see the *Intel(R)\_VROC\_UEFI\_DEVICE\_INFO\_PROTOCOL.pdf* for implementation details and API.

### 5.4 Support of Older Platforms

Beginning with Intel RSTe version 5.5 PV, support for older platforms has been introduced. With the exception of platforms with the Intel C600 or C200 series chipset and includes the support for the Intel RSTe NVMe product as well.

Please see the Intel RSTe TPS for more details.

### 5.5 Intel Accelerated Storage Manager (Intel® ASM) REST API Plug in Availability

The Intel ASM Plug In is only available on Intel® Xeon® Scalable Family Platforms with Intel VROC capability. This RESTful API offers storage management through a web based interface configured as standalone or distributed across multiple servers.

The Intel ASM can be installed on Intel® Xeon® Scalable Family Platforms using the Intel RSTe 5.5 OS installer (SetupRSTe.exe).

For more details: refer to the Intel RSTe Technical Product Spec and the “Intel Accelerated Storage Manager Windows Administration Guide.pdf” included in this package.

### 5.6 Intel VROC UEFI Driver Backward Compatibility for Microsoft\* Windows\* 8.1 and newer OS

Beginning with this Intel VROC 5.5PV package, older UEFI Driver versions of 5.X will be compatible with Intel VROC Windows 5.5PV and newer. The exception will be Microsoft\* Windows\* 7, which must use the Intel VROC UEFI driver version 5.4 or newer on Intel Xeon® Scalable Platforms with switch attached NVMe SSDs.





## 5.7 Ability to Change Controller Default Values

This release of Intel RSTe 5.5PV introduces the ability to change controller default values for the following settings:

- Read Patrol
- Rebuild on hot insert

## 5.8 Warning Message added for RAID Volume Creation

Intel RSTe 5.5PV introduces a warning message if a RAID volume is created when:

- Drive size differences are greater than 10%
- Volume includes mix of SSDs and HDDs

## 5.9 Support for UEFI Driver Health Protocol

In the UEFI environment, the Intel VROC and Intel RSTe SATA UEFI drivers will support warning messages during system boot through UEFI Driver Health Protocol, when at least one of the following conditions is met:

- At least one RAID volume is degraded
- At least one RAID volume is failed
- At least one drive is in 'RAID unsupported' state (Intel VROC UEFI only)
- At least one drive is in 'Incompatible' state
- At least one drive is in 'Offline' state
- At least one drive is in 'Unknown' state



## 6 *Features Introduced In Intel RSTe 5.4*

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### 6.1 **Intel VMD and Intel VROC Surprise Hot Plug for Microsoft\* Windows\* Operating Systems**

Intel VMD surprise hot plug for Windows enhancements in this Intel VROC 5.4 release will see improved times for hot insertion and hot removal for Intel VMD enabled NVMe devices. It is recommended to wait until device is reflected as removed / inserted in device manager for spacing surprise hot plug of devices in Windows.

### 6.2 **Continuous IO during Hot Plug**

With this release of Intel VROC 5.4 users will see that IO is continuous during hot plug when using Windows performance tools. When an NVMe device is removed or inserted, IO will be continuous to the remaining VMD enabled NVMe devices.

### 6.3 **Increase the number of NVMe devices supported to 48**

Intel VROC 5.4 will increase the number of devices supported on one platform from 24 to 48 NVMe devices supported. Please refer to the Intel VROC Technical Product Specification for changes to RAID volume and RAID arrays allowed with this change.

### 6.4 **New API for the Private UEFI Intel VROC Device Info Protocol with new field for BLOCKIO Protocol for Pass Thru devices**

Allows UEFI applications to retrieve information about each NVMe device on Intel VMD-enabled lanes

- Bus/device/function
- Socket Number
- VMD Domain
- Root Port Number
- Slot Number
- Vendor Id
- Serial Number
- Model Number
- Total Blocks
- Block Size
- Raid Device Member
- Root Port Offset
- **BLOCKIO Protocol (NEW in Intel VROC 5.4)**

Please refer to the Intel VROC UEFI Device Info Protocol document for structure API changes, included in the Intel VROC 5.4 release kit.



## 6.5 Customizable LED Management

Customers can customize LED management by modifying registry keys to change behavior for the following Blinking patterns:

- Locate – Blinking pattern time can be lengthened or shortened (default 12 seconds)
- FAIL – Blinking pattern can continue until another good drive is inserted, or stop when failed drive is removed (default is 0 – stop when drive is removed)
- Rebuild initializing - Blinking pattern on all drives in RAID volume (until initialization/verify/verify and fix finishes) – enable (0x1 default) or disable
- Rebuild – Blinking pattern on 1 drive or all drives in RAID volume – 0x0(default – 1 drive) or 0x1
- Rebuild Migration– Blinking pattern on all drives when migration occurs from one RAID type to another RAID type – enable (default = 0x01) or disable

Note: Please reference the Intel® VROC Technical Product Specification for details

## 6.6 Performance Improvements for 4K Queue Depth

Intel VROC has optimized performance for 4K queue depth by adding Storage Request Block for performance improvement in Intel VROC 5.4 release.

Intel VROC supports both STORAGE\_REQUEST\_BLOCKS and SCSI\_REQUEST\_BLOCKS. This is designed for implementation on windows OS >= Microsoft\* Windows\* 8, and allows device queue depth to 4k; delivering better performance for massive workloads with many concurrent workers.



## 7 *Features Introduced In Intel RSTe 5.3*

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The release of Intel RSTe 5.3 PV Release introduces the following:

### 7.1 **New API for the Private UEFI Intel VROC Device Information Protocol with new fields**

Allows UEFI applications to retrieve information about each NVMe device on Intel VMD-enabled lanes

- Bus/device/function
- Socket Number
- VMD Domain
- Root Port Number
- Slot Number
- Vendor Id
- Serial Number
- Model Number
- Total Blocks
- Block Size
- **Raid Device Member (NEW)**
- **Root Port Offset (NEW)**

Please refer to the Intel VROC UEFI Device Info Protocol document for structure API changes, included in this Intel VROC 5.3 release kit.

### 7.2 **New UEFI Intel VROC Private Volume Info Protocol**

Enables Intel VROC and Intel RSTe SATA RAID Volume information retrieval in the UEFI environment for the following parameters for RAID volumes.

- Vendor ID
- Product ID
- Name of RAID volume
- Total block size of volume
- Logical block size in bytes
- RAID Level
- Volume Type (i.e. VROC, SATA, or sSATA)

Please refer to the Intel VROC UEFI Volume Info Protocol document for structure API implementation details, included in this Intel VROC 5.3 release kit.



## 7.3 New Windows IOCTL for NVMe Device Information

Most structures of IOCTLs used to send NVMe pass-through IOCTL and access RAID members are the same as past releases.

The differences in Intel VROC 5.3 are:

- The Intel VROC UEFI 5.3 PV package must be used for full functionality of retrieving device information from NVMe devices on VMD enabled PCIe lanes.
- The NVME\_MEMBER\_DISK\_INFORMATION structure has been extended and therefore the output buffer for the IOCTLs that return information about drives must be bigger
- The NVME\_DISK\_INFORMATION Data structure has also changed to include:
  - Socket Number
  - VMD Controller Number
  - Root Port Offset
  - Slot Number

Please refer to the Intel® VROC IOCTLs 1.3 Document for structure API changes included in this Intel VROC 5.3 release Kit

## 7.4 Intel VROC Premium SKU and HW Activation Key Enforcement

Beginning with Intel RSTe and Intel VROC 5.0 PV releases, **we no longer provide a version of the Intel VROC PreOS UEFI driver package that by-passes HW activation key enforcement (Super SKU)**. You will need to connect either an ES or QS Intel VROC Premium/Standard key on the board to test standard or premium features that support RAID technology.

## 7.5 Intel VROC Pass-thru mode

Intel VROC Pass-thru mode was introduced in Intel VROC 5.1 and provides 3rd party NVMe support for devices behind VMD-enabled lanes without the need for an Intel VROC Hardware activation key. Pass-Thru mode is limited to the following:

1. NVMe Pass Thru non-RAID support as a single data drive
2. NVMe Pass Thru support as a single Bootable device
3. Requires Intel VROC UEFI drivers from this Intel VROC 5.2 PV release (not backward compatible) listed in section 2.5

NOTE: There is no RAID support included with Intel VROC Pass-Thru.



## 8 Drivers, Images and Utilities

List of Modules supported on Intel® Xeon® based platforms delivered with Intel® VROC for this release

Feature	Notes
<b>Intel UEFI Drivers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intel® VROC UEFI Driver version 6.0.0.1024               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ VMDVROC_1.efi (HW key enforcement in effect)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Intel® VMD UEFI version 1.6.0.1001               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ VMDVROC_2.efi</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Note: All of these images are required and intended to support Intel VMD and Intel VROC (SATA RAID) functionality as a combined installed package.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intel® VROC (SATA RAID) SATA / sSATA UEFI Driver version 6.0.0.1024               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ SataDriver.efi</li> <li>◦ sSataDriver.efi</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Legacy OROM Images</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intel® VROC (SATA RAID) SATA OROM pre-OS image version 6.0.0.1024               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ SataOrom.bin</li> <li>◦ sSataOrom.bin</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Intel® VROC Windows* Drivers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intel® VROC Windows GUI version 6.0.0.1356</li> <li>• Intel® VROC Windows Installer Package version 6.0_4.0.12               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ SetupVROC.exe (Multi-lingual)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Intel® VROC Windows F6 Driver version 6.0.0.1342 – Win8 Includes Intel VMD Driver version 1.6.0.1003               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ iaVROC.sys</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Intel® VROC (SATA RAID) Windows F6 Driver version 6.0.0.1342               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ iaStorE.sys (SATA)</li> <li>◦ iaStorB.sys (sSATA)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Intel VROC (NonVMD NVMe RAID) drivers version 6.0.0.1342</li> <li>• ASM version 2.0.0.62</li> <li>• Intel VROC CLI version 6.0.0.1357</li> </ul>
<b>UEFI Based RAID Configuration Utility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intel® VROC version 6.0.0.0.1024               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ RCfgVROC.efi</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Intel® VROC SATA / sSATA version 6.0.0.1024               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ RCfgSata.efi</li> <li>◦ RCfgsSata.efi</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Note: Secure Boot must be disabled to use this tool</p>
<b>DOS Based RAID Configuration Utility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intel® VROC SATA / sSATA version 6.0.0.1024               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ RCfgSata.exe</li> <li>◦ RCfgsSata.exe</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



Feature	Notes
<b>UEFI Based Comply Utility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Intel® VROC version 6.0.0.1024<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ RcmpVROC.efi</li></ul></li><li>• Intel® VROC SATA / sSATA version 6.0.0.1024<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ RCmpSata.efi</li><li>○ RCmpsSata.efi</li></ul></li></ul> <p>Note: Secure Boot must be disabled to use this tool</p>
<b>DOS Based Comply Utility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Intel® VROC SATA / sSATA version 6.0.0.1024<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ RCmpSata.exe</li><li>○ RCmpsSata.exe</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>UEFI based SATA SGPIO/LED Test utility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Intel® VROC SATA / sSATA version 6.0.0.1024<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ LedToolSata.efi</li><li>○ LedToolsSata.efi</li></ul></li></ul> <p>Note: Secure Boot must be disabled to use this tool</p>
<b>UEFI based Intel VROC LED Test utility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Intel® VROC version 6.0.0.1024<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ LedToolVROC.efi</li></ul></li></ul> <p>Note: This tool can be used to exercise LEDs for NVMe disks behind VMD</p>
<b>UEFI Based Clear Metadata Utility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Intel® VROC SATA / sSATA version 6.0.0.1024<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ RClrSata.efi</li><li>○ RClrsSata.efi</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>UEFI Based Intel VROC HW Key Checker</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Intel® VROC Activation Key Checker<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ HWKeyCheckVROC.efi</li></ul></li></ul> <p>Note: This tool will check for the presence and type of the HW key</p>



## 9 *Known Issues in this Release*

This section outlines the known issues that are being actively worked on with the Intel VROC 6.0 PV release

<b>Title</b>	<b>Installing Windows 10 RS5/Server2019 onto an Intel VROC managed NVMe SSD May Encounter A System Crash When Loading the F6 Driver</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	00387598/2205545633
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe NVMe 5.5 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When installing Windows 10 RS5 / Server 2019 onto an Intel VROC managed NVMe SSD drive (Pass-through or Intel VROC RAID Volume), when there are multiple Intel VMD Controllers enabled, may result in a system failure when the Intel VROC F6 driver is being loaded.
<b>Workaround</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Identify the CPU that is involved in the OS Install/Update (This is the CPU with the VMDs the OS system drive(s) are/will be attached too).</li><li>2. Disable all Intel VMD Controllers on any other CPUs in the system (before performing the install/update).</li><li>3. Perform the installation of (or upgrade to) Windows 10 RS5/Server2019.</li><li>4. Once the OS is installed/upgraded, run the Intel RSTe installation application to install the Intel RSTe GUI.</li><li>5. Once this process is complete, the remaining Intel VMD controllers can be enabled.</li></ol>





<b>Title</b>	<b>The Intel RSTe Upgrade (Uninstall/re-install) Process May Encounter a System Crash</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1408610353
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe 5.5 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When upgrading the Intel RSTe package, by using the latest installation application, the process will begin by uninstalling of the current version. After which the installation of the new package can begin. If package installation process occurs immediately after the uninstall completes, the installer may report a critical error. Rebooting after this critical error occurs may result in a system crash.
<b>Workaround</b>	To avoid this failure, please reboot the system after the uninstallation process completed. <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Uninstall the previous Intel RSTe package</li><li>2. Reboot the system</li><li>3. Install the new Intel RSTe package</li><li>4. Reboot the system when prompted.</li></ol>

<b>Title</b>	<b>When VMD is Disabled NVMe Devices Do Not Show</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1408267854 / 2206128914
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC/VMD UEFI 5.5 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When VMD is enabled, and system is booted, NVMe SSDs behind VMD are exposed. When the user then disables VMD in the BIOS, the devices no longer show up.
<b>Workaround</b>	None At This Time.



<b>Title</b>	<b>Creating a RAID 1 Volume from an Existing Drive May Result in a Failed RAID Volume</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1806503629 (Internal discovery)
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 6.0
<b>Issue Description</b>	When using either the CLI tool or Intel VROC GUI to create a RAID 1 volume from an existing drive may result in the RAID volume being reported as Failed.
<b>Workaround</b>	Verify that all of the disks are healthy before beginning the process. No other workarounds at this time.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Bad Blocks May Not be Properly Reported in a RAID 5 Volume</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1806677977 (Internal discovery)
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 6.0
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running in a RAID 5 configuration and a Bad Block is encountered, the Intel VROC GUI and the Event log may not properly show that a bad block has been encountered.
<b>Workaround</b>	None at this time.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Installing the OS onto a RAID5 volume May Result in a Degraded Volume</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1806559207 (internal discovery)
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 6.0
<b>Issue Description</b>	When attempting to install an OS onto a RAID5 volume (using the F6 driver), may not complete successfully because the volume is unable to be selected.
<b>Workaround</b>	None at this time.



<b>Title</b>	<b>The Intel VROC CLI Tool May Allow Data Migration With a Smaller Drive</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1806534894 (internal discovery)
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 6.0
<b>Issue Description</b>	When using the IntelVROCCLI tool to create a RAID Volume (with data retention) and the source drive is larger than the destination drive, the CLI may not properly block this operation.
<b>Workaround</b>	Please verify that both drives are the same size or the destination drive is larger than the source drive. Other than that, there are no current workarounds.

<b>Title</b>	<b>RAID Volume May Become Degraded After Reboot</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1806411891 (Internally found)
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe 5.5
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running in a configuration with 24 NVMe drives with an Intel VROC (VMD RAID) Volume configured, rebooting the system may result in the RAID volume becoming degraded.
<b>Workaround</b>	None at this time.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Event Log May Not Properly Show "RAID volume {VolumeName} is normal" Message after a Rebuild Completes</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1806564426 (Internally found)
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 6.0
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running in a configuration where a RAID volume is being rebuilt, upon completion of the rebuild process the expected Event may not be properly logged. The expected Event is Event ID 4149: "RAID volume VolumeName is normal."
<b>Workaround</b>	None at this time.



<b>Title</b>	<b>System May Fail to Start After an Unexpected Power Loss</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1806564424 (Internally found)
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 6.0 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running I/O to an Intel VROC RAID 5 volume and the platform experiences an unexpected power loss, the platform may fail to restart.
<b>Workaround</b>	None at this time.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Platform May Not Properly Boot After a Dirty Shutdown with I/O on a RAID 4 volume (RWH Distributed)</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1806564409 (Internally found)
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 6.0
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running I/O to a 4 disk RAID 5 volume (configured with RIAD Write Hold - Distributed enabled) and the system encounters a surprise power loss, the system may not properly reboot.
<b>Workaround</b>	None at this time.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Drive Hot Insert May Report the Drive was Removed Followed by Detection</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	806522520 (Internal found)
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 6.0
<b>Issue Description</b>	When attempting to perform a Hot Insert of a disk, the first pop up informs that the disk was removed but the second message informs that disk was detected.
<b>Workaround</b>	None at this time.



<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VROC (VMD RAID) NVMe Drive May be Marked as Available After Removal</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1806419240 (Internally found)
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 6.0
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running in a configuration with multiple NVMe drives, if one of the drives is Hot-Removed from the system, the Intel VROC GUI may still show that drive as available.
<b>Workaround</b>	None at this time.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VROC RAID Volumes May Not Properly Show in the BIOS</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	00387136 / 2205536705 /1407931496
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.5
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running in a configuration with 4 or more Intel VROC RAID volumes, during a system boot, some of the RAID volumes may not properly be displayed in  Some RAID volume do not show array disk in BIOS when there are more than 4 or 5 volumes created in the system. The last crated RAID volume do not show array disk information
<b>Workaround</b>	None at this time.

<b>Title</b>	<b>RAID10, hot-plug two member disks, re-plugged second disk can't rebuilding.</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1506398660 / 1909229214 / 00281938
<b>Version</b>	5.4PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	RAID 10 will not rebuild to the second re-installed NVMe device when 2 devices are hot removed.
<b>Workaround</b>	None at this time



<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel RSTe RCfgRSTeRS.efi Disk IDs information reported may not be consistent between different commands</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	2204209433 / 1407347823 / 00266468
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.4PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When attempting to use the Intel RCfgRSTeRS.efi tool, the Disk ID information reported may not be consistent between different commands.
<b>Workaround</b>	None at this time.

<b>Title</b>	<b>RSTe SATA boot times does not meet expected values for Microsoft* Windows* ADK test</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1506118519 / 2204049117 / 2204052421 / 00248645 / 00248705
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.4PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	Fast Start boot times may exceeding the Microsoft* Windows* ADK test recommendations
<b>Workaround</b>	None at this time.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VROC F6 Drivers May Not Properly Load</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1805900436
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.4PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running in a configuration with 16 or more NVMe SSDs, loading the Intel VROC F6 driver may not succeed while installing the OS.
<b>Workaround</b>	Install the OS with fewer than 16 drives attached and then add them after the OS installation has completed.



<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel RSTe NVMe Pre-Purley Platform with 48 NVMe Drives and Max Volumes. Degraded RAID Volume May Encounter a System Failure While Booting</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1806397184 –Internal Validation
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe NVMe 5.5
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running on an Intel RSTe NVMe pre-Purley system with 48 drives in dual RAID volumes (Matrix RAID) using every 2 drives until the maximum supported has been reached. After shutting down the platform and pulling 1 member drive of a RAID 1 volume, the platform may encounter a system failure
<b>Workaround</b>	None at this time



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<b>Title</b>	<b>A System Crash May Occur After Loading F6 Driver During Win10 RS5 Installation</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1407931617/22205545633/1606761987
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe 5.5 / Intel VROC 6.0
<b>Issue Description</b>	When attempting to install Microsoft* Windows 10 RS5/Server 2019 onto an Intel VROC (VMD RAID) volume, a system crash may be encountered.
<b>Workaround</b>	Issue resolved in the Intel VROC 6.0 PV release package.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Can Not Disable All RAID Levels in BIOS Setup</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504750338 / 2202554596 / 00223047
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.4PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	In the BIOS, under SATA Mode Options, RAID options can be disabled, but RAID can still be created after save and reboot.
<b>Workaround</b>	Issue resolved in the Intel VROC 6.0 PV release package.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VROC Negotiated Link Rate Reported May Not be Accurate</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1506077912/ 2204069094 / 2203912146 / 00247186 / 00249189
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.4
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running in an Intel VROC configuration, the Negotiated Link rate for the NVMe drive connected may not be reported accurately in the device properties window pane in the Intel VROC GUI. In some cases, the Negotiated value may be 0.
<b>Workaround</b>	Issue resolved in the Intel VROC 6.0 PV release package.





<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VROC mismatch error after changing RAID 5 RWH Values in BIOS setup</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	2204422221, 00276220, 1506226285
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.4
<b>Issue Description</b>	In VROC HII BIOS menu, After creating RAID 5 and setting the RWH value to Disable, if the value is changed to Journaling Drive, the BIOS returns an error mismatch message
<b>Workaround</b>	Resolved in Intel VROC 6.0 Beta Release.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel RSTe NVMe 5.5 on a Windows 7 64-bit Platform May Report the Incorrect Filter Driver Version Number</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1806420960 -internal
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe NVMe 5.5 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When installing Intel RSTe NVMe 5.5 onto a platform running Windows 7 64-bit, the device driver version reported for the filter driver, iaRNVMef.sys, may report 8.8.8.8888 instead of the correct version
<b>Workaround</b>	Issue resolved in the Intel VROC 6.0 PV release package.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel RSTe NVMe Pre-Purley Platform with 48 NVMe Drives and Maximum Volumes May Encounter a boot Failure</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1806397164 –Internal Validation
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe NVMe 5.5
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running Intel RSTe NVMe in a Pre-Purley platform with 48 drives that are configured in dual RAID 1/0 matrix array volumes duplicated until the maximum number of Arrays/Volumes is reached, rebooting the system may encounter a system failure.
<b>Workaround</b>	Issue resolved in the Intel VROC 6.0 PV release package.



<b>Title</b>	<b>NVMe LED blinking Issue on RAID when Locate sent after Rebuild</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406945370 / 2202661732 / 00225547
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.4
<b>Issue Description</b>	After Re-build operation is complete, if a Further "LOCATE" Operation is done on the same drive, after the LOCATE LED Blinking completes ( 10s), the Rebuild LED state comes back even though there is really no Re-build Operation indicated
<b>Workaround</b>	Issue resolved in the Intel VROC 6.0 PV release package.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VROC Driver Upgrade May Mark Volume as Initialized</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1805474763
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.4PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When upgrading to Intel VROC 5.4 from an older driver version may result in an existing RAID volume being incorrectly marked as "Initialized".
<b>Workaround</b>	Issue resolved in the Intel VROC 6.0 PV release package.

<b>Title</b>	<b>VMDVROC_1.efi / VMDVROC_2.efi driver will increase boot time around 4 seconds when VMD is disabled</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1407351453 / 2203744674 / 00246717 /
<b>Version</b>	5.4PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	VROC UEFI driver will poll for the hardware key even when VMD is disabled. This is adding increased boot times of up to 4 seconds when VMD is disabled.
<b>Workaround</b>	Workaround: DEPEX file included in Intel VROC 6.0 Beta Release Kit



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<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel Firmware Upgrade Tool Does Not Support SATA RSTe RAID FW Update</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1407473581 / 2201652464 - Internal
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe UEFI SATA / sSATA 5.4
<b>Issue Description</b>	In the UEFI environment SATA RAID does not support Firmware Updates. This affects the Intel Firmware Upgrade Tool (FUT) used by customers when SATA RAID volumes cannot be updated to latest firmware.
<b>Workaround</b>	Issue Resolved in Intel RSTe SATA UEFI version 5.5 PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Protocol Errors May Cause a Drive to Inadvertently be Marked as Failed</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	2204785529 / 2204785528
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe SATA Windows 5.4 / Intel RSTe 4.7.0.1098
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running in a platform where protocol errors (e.g. R_ERRs) can be encountered during I/O, Intel RSTe may inadvertently mark the drive, corresponding to the connection that encountered the error, as Failed when the drive is operational.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in 5.5 PV Intel RSTe SATA driver



<b>Title</b>	<b>Unresponsive HDD May Prevent OS Boot</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	220705531
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe 4.X based products.
<b>Issue Description</b>	In the case where Windows* 2008 R2 operating system is installed on a SATA device on the SATA or sSATA controller managed by RSTe and a HDD disk is unresponsive on the SCU (SAS) controller also managed by RSTe, the operating system may fail to boot until the unresponsive disk is removed.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel RSTe 5.5 PV package release.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Performing an S4 on a degraded RAID 5 Volume May Result in a System Crash</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1805624457
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe 5.4
<b>Issue Description</b>	When attempting to resume from an S4 power state with a degraded 3 drive RAID5 volume (as a result of a failed drive), may result in a system failure. Workaround: Try to avoid performing S4/Hibernates while a degraded RAID 5 volume and expedite the rebuild process.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel RSTe 5.5 PV package release.

<b>Title</b>	<b>RSTe 5.5 VC Drop - All Applications are gone after resume from S4</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1506414153 / 2205084140 / 00290919
<b>Version</b>	RSTe SATA Windows 5.5 VC
<b>Issue Description</b>	With Windows 10 RS5 and RSTe SATA driver installed, the system does not resume from S4 correctly
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in 5.5 PV Intel RSTe SATA driver



<b>Title</b>	<b>CC_CSMI_SAS_GET_RAID_CONFIG cannot return correct information about RAID</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504716895 / 2202001958 / 00216590
<b>Version</b>	RSTe SATA Windows 5.4 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	CSMI command to retrieve RAID information on SATA returns byte-swapped and truncated data
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in 5.5 PV Intel RSTe SATA driver

<b>Title</b>	<b>Request VROC backward compatibility support(5.5 driver + 5.3 PreOS)</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1506183326 / 1209358254
<b>Version</b>	VROC Windows 5.4 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	VROC UEFI Drivers are not Backward compatible
<b>Workaround</b>	Resolved in Intel VROC 5.5 PV Release. Or, Use UEFI driver and Windows Driver from matching release versions

<b>Title</b>	<b>System Disk not Marked as System Volume in RSTe GUI</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	00259697 / 2204148065 / 1407320372
<b>Version</b>	VROC Windows 5.4 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	Having Windows installed on a 4-disk RAID 10 on the SATA controller managed by the RSTe driver, the disk or volume with the operation system may not be marked as the system volume. Consequently, the option to delete the volume is present. Deleting the system volume will cause a blue screen and delete any data on that volume.
<b>Workaround</b>	Resolved in Intel VROC 5.5 PV Release



<b>Title</b>	<b>Windows 2016 stuck when hot-plug one of member drive on RAID5</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	00229224 / 2202860567 / 2202849002 / 1806296595
<b>Version</b>	VROC Windows 5.4 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	Windows may stuck when one of the RAID5 member drive hot-removal during the RAID5 rebuilding
<b>Workaround</b>	Resolved in Intel VROC 5.5 PV Release

<b>Title</b>	<b>DiskID information is incorrect when using 5.3 PreOS + 5.4 driver/CLI tool</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504790853 / 2202810056 / 00229000
<b>Version</b>	VROC Windows 5.4 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	Changes in UEFI 5.4 VMD Scan Code Require 5.4 VMD Windows version. No backward compatibility for Pre-OS.
<b>Workaround</b>	Resolved in Intel VROC 5.5 PV Release

<b>Title</b>	<b>Windows 7 BSE When ODD is attached Resuming from S3/S4</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	00168685 / 1209887655 / 1805245743
<b>Version</b>	VROC Windows 4.6 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	On Microsoft Windows 7 64 bit operating system, if both power states S3 (sleep) and S4 (hibernate) are set to be initiated in that order, a blue screen may occur when Windows attempts to resume from S4.
<b>Workaround</b>	Resolved in Intel VROC 5.5 PV Release



<b>Title</b>	<b>DiskID information is incorrect when using 5.3 PreOS + 5.4 driver/CLI tool</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504790853 / 2202810056 / 00229000
<b>Version</b>	VROC Windows 5.4PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	Changes in UEFI 5.4 VMD Scan Code Require 5.4 VMD Windows version. No backward compatibility for Pre-OS.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in VROC 5.5 PV Windows Driver

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel P905 NVMe SSD drive can't be recognized by 5.4 CLI tool</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1505203256 / 2203177980 / 00238409
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows RSTCLi64.exe 5.4PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	Using 5.4 VROC RSTCli64.exe tool in WinPE environment, the device cannot be seen
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in VROC RSTCLi64.exe tool in 5.5PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>System May Reset When Running a Stress I/O While RAID Volume is Rebuilding</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	2201077392/1406579985/00201604
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running in a configuration where a RAID volume is in a Rebuild state and an I/O stress test is running to that rebuilding RAID volume, the system may reboot.
<b>Workaround</b>	Avoid running heavy I/O to the RAID volume until the rebuild process is complete/ Fixed in VROC 5.5PV



<b>Title</b>	<b>SATA Disk May Disappear after S3 When OS Installed on NVMe</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1407138251 / 1806252583 / 2203529172 1406977947 / 2202608709 / 00239590
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.4PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	In a configuration that includes both SATA and NVMe disks connected to the platform, a SATA disk may appear to have disappeared from both Windows* Disk Management and the RSTe GUI after resuming from sleep state S3. This issue was reproduced when Windows* 10 64 bit is installed on an NVMe disk connected to PCIe and VMD is not enabled; although it may not be limited to this exact configuration.
<b>Workaround</b>	Resolved in 5.5 PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Hot Inserting a Drive into a RAID Volume with many ECC Errors May Cause a RAID Volume to Fail</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406654647 / 2201671565 / 180293244
<b>Version</b>	4.7 VROC Windows PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running in a 2 drive RAID 1 configuration where drive A has encountered many ECC error, removing Drive B and hot inserting a new Drive B can result in drive A becoming Failed (due to the number of Back Blocks) causing the RAID volume to fail. Drive A may then become inaccessible.
<b>Workaround</b>	Issue Resolved in RSTe 5.5 release.





<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel SSD will have two duplicated HII entry created in F1 setup "System Settings -&gt; Storage" page</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	2203448525 / 2203446631 / 1407232270 / 1806182995 / 2004074679
<b>Version</b>	5.4 VROC Windows PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	Certain Intel NVMe Devices with custom firmware versions display double device entries in the HII menu
<b>Workaround</b>	Resolved in VROC 5.5PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VROC UEFI HII Menu Should not Appear in BIOS when VMD is Disabled</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1407167497 / 1806217727 / 1407167490
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.4PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When VMD is disabled, Intel Virtual Raid on CPU menu option should not be visible in BIOS HII menu.
<b>Workaround</b>	Resolved in VROC 5.5PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Black screen and 0x1E BSOD entering s4 via S3</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504685173 / 2201671739 / 1806008505
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	System power states testing S3 and enter S4 using power button to wake from S4 causes black screen hang up and sometimes get 0x1E BSOD.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.5 PV



<b>Title</b>	<b>Removing a Drive from a Spanned RAID Volume May Not be Properly Handled</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	2202036761 / 1604699889 / 00217373
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running in a configuration where an Intel VROC RAID volume is spanning Intel VMD controllers, if one of the drives is removed the information of the drive being removed may not be properly propagated throughout the platform. Running a tool like "list disk" may still report the missing drive.
<b>Workaround</b>	Resolved in VROC 5.5PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>RSTe CLI Fails to Create SATA RAID correctly After Using Create Command</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1407122652 / 2202778780 / 00228764/ 1406915644 / 1505288506 / 00238095 / 00221057
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.4PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When using the RSTe CLI tool in a WinPE environment or opening a command window within a Windows* pre-install process using "Shift-F10", after using the RAID create command to create any RAID array using SATA disks on the SATA or sSATA controller, executing the RSTe CLI information command may fail to return any disk information.
<b>Workaround</b>	The issue is not present if using the RSTe CLI tool in any supported Windows* operating system, excluding WinPE. Fixed in VROC 5.5PV



<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VMD Windows - NVMe SSD is missing after Hot plug</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	2202096618/1504752233/00218414/1505476921/00238314
<b>Version</b>	Intel VMD Windows 1.4 VROC 5.4 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	Some systems do not update the SlotStatus register PresenceDetectedState bit to indicate a hot plug has occurred. Intel VMD driver gets the interrupt when this Slot Status register is set. This does not occur in Linux because the PCIe Hot plug driver uses LinkStatus DataLinkLayerActive first and then SlotStatus PresenceDetectedState second, so this incorrect setting for the SlotStatus PresenceDetectedState register is ignored.
<b>Workaround</b>	Intel VMD to also Check LinkSatus DataLinkLayerActive first and then SlotStatus PresenceDetectedState second. This fix is part of Intel VROC 5.5PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Unresponsive HDD May Prevent OS Boot</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406906731 / 2202461264 / 1806062892 1806147004 / 1806147003
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe 4.5 and 4.6PV; RSTe 5.5.0.1116
<b>Issue Description</b>	In the case where Windows* 2008 R2 operating system is installed on a SATA device on the SATA or sSATA controller managed by RSTe and a HDD disk is unresponsive on the SCU (SAS) controller also managed by RSTe, the operating system may fail to boot until the unresponsive disk is removed.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in RSTe 4.5PV; VROC 5.5 Windows PV



<b>Title</b>	<b>Repeated System Restarts May Result in a 0x9F System Error</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406789629 / 2202060843 / 00217891
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running on a system with Windows Server 2016, in a configuration where the system may repeatedly restart, a 0x9F System Error may be encountered.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in VROC Windows 5.5PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel NVMe SSD may have duplicate HII entry and cause boot hang condition</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	2204074679 / 00239322 / 2203446631/ 1806182995
<b>Version</b>	VMD 1.4 / VROC 5.4 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	There are two entries on some customer platforms and when booting, the system may hang.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in VMD 1.5.0.1005 and VROC 5.5 UEFI PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Platform May Hang Entering S4 If eSATA Device Connected</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1305232413 / 220418523
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.4PV UEFI
<b>Issue Description</b>	On a platform that has HDD devices connected to the SATA controller and Windows* 10 RS3 operating system installed on either a single HDD or multiple in a RAID volume made up of those HDD devices, the platform may hang when entering S4 hibernate sleep state if there is also an eSATA device connected to the same SATA controller.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in VROC 5.5 PV



<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VROC UEFI Driver Returns Incorrect Value for SCT HII Test Case</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1806088107 / 1806193628 / 1806126418
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.4PV UEFI
<b>Issue Description</b>	Intel VROC UEFI driver is returning unexpected values for RouteConfig Conformance and ExtractConfigFunction for SCT 2.6 version UEFI Test cases.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in VROC 5.5 PV UEFI Driver

<b>Title</b>	<b>NVMe System Disk can be Selected as RAID 5 RWH Journaling Disk Drive After Hotplug</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1805901301 / 1805971826
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.4PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	In Windows OS with RAID 5, a new NVMe device is hot inserted and the UI allows user to select "Change mode" in RWH mode property and choose the system disk as Journaling Drive to Close RAID Write Hole. System Disk should never be allowed.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in the Intel VMD and Intel VROC 5.5PV Release



## 12 *Issues Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4 PV*

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<b>Title</b>	<b>The RSTe GUI May Not Properly Start if OS is Installed on 3rd Party RAID controller</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406924883 / 2202556070
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.4PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	If Windows* Server 2012-R2 operating system is installed on a single disk or a RAID volume that is managed by a 3rd party RAID adapter and there is 1 or more SATA disks on the platform SATA and/or sSATA controller which is managed by the RSTe driver, the RSTe GUI may not open properly.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in VROC 5.4 PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>RSTe RSTCLI tool cannot Report SATA Disks if VMD is Disabled</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504705930 / 2201930368 / 00214273
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.4PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running RSTCLI tool in WINPE, the tool will not report SATA disk information when VMD is disabled
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in RSTe 5.4

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel RSTe GUI May Not Start when OS is on an NVMe drive not managed by Intel VMD</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406932725 / 2202568186 / 00223640
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running in a configuration where the OS has been installed on an NVMe device that is not managed Intel VMD (VMD is disabled), the Intel RSTe GUI may not start properly.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV



<b>Title</b>	<b>Windows 7 install stops during preload process when M.2 NVMe as OS disk and RAID0 SATA data</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406760853 / 2201973361 / 00215585
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	M.2 to a VMD enabled domain. Enable RAID mode on the SATA controller Begin the process of installing Win7 64bit to M.2 drive and error occurs
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VMD Error Happens in Windows* 7 OS installation</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504702455, 2201907333
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV UEFI VROC
<b>Issue Description</b>	With VMD enabled, during Windows 7 installation a reboot occurs and an error message is displayed.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>The definition of "Rebuild on Hot Insert" is incorrect in Windows RSTe Help page</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504681226 / 2201632844 / 00208129
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	In Windows RSTe Help page, "Enabling Rebuild on Hot Insert" section states hot-plugging a compatible disk in the same location as the failed or missing array disk, which is incorrect, because ROHI can start automatically when hot-plugging a compatible disk to other locations within the same VMD domain.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV



<b>Title</b>	<b>VMD Windows Hotplug Does not Work on Certain Switch attached NVMe</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	2202053506 / 2201988291 / 00216064
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	Certain Switches check the PCIe Command bit 10 to see if it is set to explicitly disable INTx legacy interrupts, and do not subsequently check the MSIx capabilities for the slot. VMD only supports MSIx and this bit is optional.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>SUT hangs at the second logo after change CPU Multi Core value to 1 in BIOS setup</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	220578769 / 220561678 / 00188745 / 220992184 00189529 / 1504562166 / 1604433815 /
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When setting the CPU Multi Core value to 1, the system hangs at reboot
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>VROC Windows RAID 5 hangs during "Scan for and attempt recovery"</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1805878310 / 2201093027 / 00202046
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	Windows 7 is allowing the user to choose "Scan for and attempt recovery of Bad Sectors" on a system RAID 5 and the RAID is degraded when scan completes.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV





<b>Title</b>	<b>Windows 7 System Sporadic BSE during S3/S4 cycling VMD enabled</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504529906 / 220395193 / 00183835
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	BSE while performing power states on a customer specific configuration
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Created RAID volume spanned across VMD controllers showed as Bootable</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504621769 / 220743520 / 00193878
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When creating VROC RAID spanning VMD controllers, the RAID volume is shown as "Bootable Volume: Yes"
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VMD Windows BSOD 0x50 Win Server 2012 R2</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	2202032535 / 00217206 / 1406789610
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	Intel VMD Windows caused a 0x50 BSOD during Power cycle testing
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV



<b>Title</b>	<b>SATA Hot Unplug in Windows causes RAID disk in failed state</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504691800 / 1504648956 / 1504594387 / 220808435 / 00195696 / 2201220074 / 00203743
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	Hot unplug of SATA RAID1 array disk in Windows will cause the RAID1 array disk in a FAILED state and rebuild will not start automatically when hot plugging back original disk.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Non-Intel SSD disk info shows status as Unsupported in Intel VROC HII page</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	2201660851 / 00208880 / 1406651325
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When the Intel VROC Key is not inserted in the system, and a non-Intel SSD that is supported is installed in the system, the Intel VROC HII page is showing status as “unsupported”. Change request is to reflect the status as VROC Pass Thru mode (RAID unsupported).
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>RSTCLI stop working when set a non-existent disk as spare</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504644095 / 220191660 / 00201930
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	Run the rstcli to set a non-existent disk as spare disk. The tool pop-out warning windows and stop working.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV



<b>Title</b>	<b>The System may not properly boot into the OS when the platform has an 18 Core CPU.</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504659653 / 2201210081 / 00203373
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	With specific cpu sku, system RAID degraded or failed during S4 stress test. System might report error message: operating system not found. This issue is fixed on the stability of VROC Key authentication mechanism.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>RSTCLI Mange Locate LED Function Does Not Work</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1805778949
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	command to blink amber LED with rstcli.exe execute command "rstcli.exe --manage --locate diskID" (e.g. "2-0-0-0") fails with an error message
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VMDVROC_2.efi driver does not assign enough resources for P4800 devices</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	NSD-3092, 00197664, 220881760
<b>Version</b>	5.3PV UEFI VMDVROC_2.efi
<b>Issue Description</b>	Some NVMe SSDs request both prefetchable (controller memory buffer) and non- prefetchable memory. For these cases, Intel VMD must assign more resources. When enough resources are not available, not all devices can be enumerated.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV



<b>Title</b>	<b>VROC RAID can't create a RAID 1 volume on certain 3.2TB 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Device</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	NSD-3360, 1504645681, 2201182518, 00203170
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC Windows 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	On certain 3.2TB 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party NVMe device, an invalid opcode is returned from device firmware when sending the flush command upon creation of a RAID 1 volume
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VMDVROC_2.efi driver gets Assert When Loading</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	NSD-3175
<b>Version</b>	5.3PV UEFI VMDVROC_2.efi
<b>Issue Description</b>	When VMDVROC_2.efi driver is loading an assert occurs
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VMDVROC_2.efi driver does not assign enough resources for P4800 devices</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	NSD-3175,
<b>Version</b>	
<b>Issue Description</b>	Some NVMe SSDs request both prefetchable (controller memory buffer) and non- prefetchable memory. For these cases, Intel VMD must assign more resources. When enough resources are not available, not all devices can be enumerated.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV



<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VROC GUI may show Option to Rebuild Volume to Duplicates of the Same Device</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406523199
<b>Version</b>	5.4PV UI
<b>Issue Description</b>	When choosing to Select a Disk to Rebuild a RAID 1 volume, there are multiple selections of the same device to choose from
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Hot removal cause system BSOD</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504593125 / 220768508/ 00194991
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.3PV Windows 2012
<b>Issue Description</b>	Hot removal non-system NVMe drive sequentially may cause the system BSOD
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel RSTe AHCI Driver May Not Properly Resume from a System Sleep State</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	220211859 / 117883
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	After installing the Windows 10 RS2 OS with the PCH controller in AHCI mode, using the Intel RSTe AHCI driver, the system may not properly resume from a system sleep state (S3).
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV



<b>Title</b>	<b>Adding Disk to a 6 Disk RAID 0 May Not Add The Disk</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1805245779 / 220262518 / 00179962
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.1
<b>Issue Description</b>	Using the "Add disk" option in the RSTe GUI to add a disk to an existing SATA RAID 0 volume as the system boot device may result in an unknown error. Consequently, the disk will not actually be added to the volume.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Intel VROC may Display Incorrect Slot Numbers in UEFI/HII/rstcli</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	NSD-3071
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.3PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	With limited configurations, the slot number may be returned as an incorrect value
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Naming for the RAID in BIOS allows Special Characters</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504555607 / 220561616 / 00188722
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.3
<b>Issue Description</b>	While setting name for the NVMe RAID in the Intel VROC HII, the interface prompts "...has no special characters...". However, when we use special characters to name the RAID, their name still can be created.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV



<b>Title</b>	<b>BSE D1 When cycling S4 during RAID Migration</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1805976874
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.3
<b>Issue Description</b>	After starting a RAID migration and cycling S4, a BSE D1 occurs. The root cause is a null pointer dereferenced from internal IO request from the NVMe driver.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Non-Intel SSD disk Status Should Not show status as Unsupported in VROC HII page</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	2201660851 / 00208880
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.3
<b>Issue Description</b>	With no Intel VROC Hardware Key in the system, supported 3 <sup>rd</sup> party NVMe SSDs will show up in the VROC HII page as "unsupported"
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.4PV



## 13 *Issues Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3 PV*

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<b>Title</b>	<b>Vroc+M.2NVMe+RAID causing system hang during the factory process</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406382169 / 220567693 / 00189032
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	Incomplete PNP request is causing a system hang during boot
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Create NVMe RAID volume in BIOS, then do "Reset to Non-RAID" causes member disk state to be "unknown"</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504603829 / 220864368 / 00197212
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.3
<b>Issue Description</b>	Create RAID volume in BIOS, then do "Reset to Non-RAID", the status of member disk will turn to "unknown".
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3PV

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Intel VROC uses popup message which is not compatible with HII browser environment, causes prompt message not visible</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406322052 / 220272647 / 00180483
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC UEFI 5.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	Intel VROC UEFI tries to display a warning message for spanned volumes, but message is not visible and system appears hung.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC UEFI 5.3PV





<b>Title:</b>	<b>Installing a Windows OS on to RAID 5 Volume May Take a Longer than a non-RAID 5 configuration</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1805245749 / 00174805 / 00182164
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe 5.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	When installing a Windows OS onto a RAID 5 volume, the installation process may take longer than on a pass-thru drive or other RAID levels may take.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel RSTe 5.3PV

<b>Title:</b>	RSTE Service fails to start
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406488392 / 00196573 / 220845714
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe 5.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	The RSTE Application failing to start and the RSTE Service itself fails to start when we perform an Out of Box Experience test. For the application, the application gives a failure message of "Multiple Users cannot run the application".
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel RSTe 5.3PV

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Typically the drive on SATA 0 or sSATA 0 is the last drive enumerated Win10 RS2 and Win7x64</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1805245760 / 00175977 / 220146906
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe 5.1
<b>Issue Description</b>	Typically the drive on SATA 0 or sSATA 0 is being enumerated by the OS as the last drive in the list.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel RSTe 5.3PV



<b>Title:</b>	<b>RSTe 5.2.0.1082 device write cache mismatch after deleting 3x SSD RAID 5 Win10 RS2</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406368392 / 00182654
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	After deleting a RAID 5 the Intel GUI and disk properties in MS Windows sometimes don't agree on write cache policy.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3PV

<b>Title:</b>	<b>VMD Pre-OS driver GP faults during Start</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406442772 / 20620659 / 00190284
<b>Version</b>	Intel VMD 1.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	During Start(), the VMD driver will dereference a NULL pointer and when it tries to use the garbage as an address it will GP fault.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3PV

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Some 3rd Party M.2 NVMe SSDs cannot show up after loading RSTe F6 driver during OS installation</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504549367 / 220434759 / 00185292
<b>Version</b>	Intel VMD 1.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	When installing OS on some 3rd Party M.2 NVME SSD, load latest RSTe F6 driver during OS installation, the M.2 NVME SSD cannot show up, and still does not show up when selecting "Refresh" in Windows install UI.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3PV



<b>Title:</b>	<b>Information for An ODD Device Connected to the SATA Controller Managed by RSTe may be Missing From The RSTe System Report</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406402969/ 220569591 / 00189054
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe 5.2.0.1194 SATA
<b>Issue Description</b>	When an ODD device is connected to the SATA controller and the RSTe driver is installed for that controller, the information pertaining to that ODD and the port it is connected to may be missing from the RSTe System Report.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel RSTe SATA Windows 5.3PV

<b>Title:</b>	<b>RSTe GUI May Not Open if HW RAID Adapter is Presently Enabled</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406384641/ 220568514 / 00189041/2006655974
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	When a configuration where a HW RAID adapter is connected to the system and enabled in the OS is used, the RSTe GUI may not open properly.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VMD Windows 5.3PV

<b>Title:</b>	<b>BSE 0x7E iaVROC.sys occurred during warm reboot with Win7 VMD RAID1 OS</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1209828082/ 1805245735 / 00167225
<b>Version</b>	Intel VMD 1.2PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	BSE 0x7E(iaVROC.sys)occurred during warm reboot with Win7 VMD RAID1 OS at the 107th loop
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VMD Windows 5.3PV



<b>Title</b>	<b>System Cannot Enter S4 Under VMD Mode</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	220614090 / 00190029
<b>Version</b>	Intel VMD 1.2PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	Windows OS cannot enter S4 and CATERROR when VT'd + VMD is enabled
<b>Workaround</b>	Disable VT'd, Fixed in Intel VMD for Intel VROC 5.3PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>HII show CPU255 when NVMe drive connect to CPU2_3</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	00185882/ 220448266 / 1504542627 / NSD-2942
<b>Version</b>	Intel VMD 1.2PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	HII is displaying the incorrect CPU number when there are more than 2 Processors on the system
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3

<b>Title</b>	<b>VMD Windows – Huawei ES3600P devices are loaded under other devices for Windows 2012R2</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	NSD-3031
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.2PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	In Windows Device Manager the Huawei ES3600P Device is listed under “Other device” and not listed under “Disk Drive”
<b>Workaround</b>	Disable VT'd, Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3

<b>Title</b>	<b>Incorrect LED blink behavior on after active LED/remove disk then re-plug in</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1504544175 / 00187433 / 00187526 / 00189819 / 00185028 / NSD-2936
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.2PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	1. With Intel VROC and UI, after click "active LED", the LED will continue to blink about two minutes, it doesn't match with help description (twelve seconds). 2. When re-plug NVMe SSD the LED will keep blink can't stop
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3



<b>Title</b>	<b>Unknown error occurs in UI when operating VROC RAID</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1406341428 / 1209769762 / 00165947
<b>Version</b>	Intel VMD UEFI Driver 5.2 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	"Add disk" option shouldn't be visible when any array volume was busy (initialization, verification etc.). When selecting, an unknown UI error occurs.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC UEFI 5.3

<b>Title</b>	<b>System Hangs At POST code "D5" with VMD Enabled</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	NSD-2871 / 1504537359 / 220419948 / 00184847
<b>Version</b>	Intel VMD UEFI Driver 5.2 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	With certain configurations, the UEFI VMD driver will cause system to hang. Issue presented in 5.2PV
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC UEFI 5.3

<b>Title</b>	<b>VMD UEFI – M.2 U.2 Drive not showing up in Boot Menu</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	NSD-2824 / 00185292 /
<b>Version</b>	Intel VMD UEFI Driver 5.2 PV
<b>Issue Description</b>	When 2 NVMe U.2 + 2 NVMe M.2 are connected, M.2 devices do not show up and system hangs.
<b>Workaround</b>	Disable VT'd, Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3

<b>Title</b>	<b>NVMe hot plug in different CPU take longer time to update in device manager</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1209670442 / 115303
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	When there is NVMe drive connect in different CPU and do hot-plug/removal with one drive. Windows device manager refresh disk status with longer delay than VROC UI.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in 5.3 PV



<b>Title</b>	<b>System and Spare Disk May be Selectable as Journaling Drive</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	220154328 / 00176358 / 117412
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	Having Windows OS installed on a single disk, when using the RSTe GUI to create a RAID volume and checking the RAID Write Hole option in the advanced tab, the System disk may be selectable as the journaling drive. If a disk is set as a spare, it too may also be selectable.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>Reinstalling an OS on a System May Result in a System Failure</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	110013
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	When running in a system with a Windows OS install on the SATA RAID volume and that volume is deleted in the UEFI HII in order to install an OS onto a VROC RAID volume, the system may encounter a BSOD on the installation's second reset.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3PV

<b>Title</b>	<b>LedToolSata.efi is not working on port6 and port7 for SATA controller</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1209740406/ 115541
<b>Version</b>	Intel RSTe UEFI 5.1
<b>Issue Description</b>	This issue is about LED test tool in Shell. Issue has been fixed. The SGPIO signal for port6 and port7 can be triggered with LedToolSata.efi correctly.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in RSTe UEFI 5.3



<b>Title</b>	<b>Hot Removing NVMe Disks May Take Longer Than Expected to Show in Windows Disk Management</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	220174495 / 00176995 / 117410
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	In the Windows operating system, after removing an NVMe disk, the Windows Disk Management or Device Manager may take 45 seconds to a minute to reflect the change. The RSTe GUI reflects the change within 10 seconds so it is not effected.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3

<b>Title</b>	<b>RSTe UI show incorrect Negotiated link rate</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	220302619 / 220327398 / 00182348 / 117410
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	RSTe UI may show incorrect Negotiated link rate when first NVMe hot-plug into the system after boot. Symptom is not reproduce when there is no hot-plug for NVMe drive.
<b>Workaround</b>	fixed

<b>Title</b>	<b>Creating/Deleting a RAID Volume in the UEFI HII May Result in a Platform Hang</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1209582891/ 22803 / 1805245447
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC UEFI 5.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	When attempting to create or delete a RAID volume in the UEFI HII may result in a system hang that requiring a system power cycle.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fix will be in Intel VROC UEFI 5.3 Release



<b>Title</b>	<b>Huawei ES3600P NVMe SSDs are not visible in Windows OS 2012R2 with VMD enabled</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	NSD-2821
<b>Version</b>	Intel VROC 5.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	When VMD is enabled, Huawei devices are not visible in Windows Device Manager, but they are visible in BIOS and Linux
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3

<b>Title</b>	<b>Windows* Device Manager May not Detect Hot-removing of RSTe Managed NVMe Disks</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	1209618853/ 00161319 / 117421
<b>Version</b>	RSTe_5.0.0.2192
<b>Issue Description</b>	On a Windows* system, when hot-removing Intel VROC managed NVMe disks, Device Manager may not show the disks as removed without performing a rescan.
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3

<b>Title</b>	<b>Uncorrectable error occurred during shutdown when enable VTd+VMD on Windows* 10</b>
<b>Ext/Int Reference#</b>	220184299 / 00177422 / 00172660 / NSD-2755
<b>Version</b>	Intel VMD 1.2 Intel VROC 5.2
<b>Issue Description</b>	On a Windows* 10 system with VMD and VT'd enabled in the BIOS, system will give CATERR on shutdown
<b>Workaround</b>	Fixed in Intel VROC 5.3