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How to delete Virtual Machine in Proxmox?

Do you want to delete a virtual machine in Proxmox? We can help you do it.

We can delete the VM from the web interface as well from the CLI.

At Bobcares, we often get requests regarding Proxmox as a part of our Server Management Services.

Today let us discuss how our <u>Support Engineers</u> delete the virtual machine for our customers.

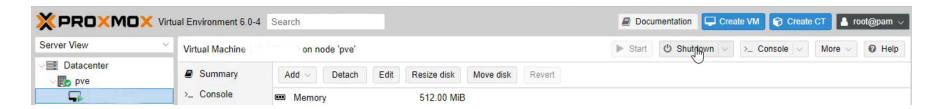
Delete Virtual machine from Proxmox web interface

One of the simplest methods to delete the virtual machine is to do it from the web interface. Let's discuss how our <u>Support Engineers</u> delete the virtual machine in Proxmox.

First we login to the Proxmox web interface.

Then we click on the *virtual machine* in the left pane.

We Shutdown the virtual machine first.



Then we click on more tab. From the drop-down list, we select remove.

Thus, we remove the virtual machine.

Delete Virtual machine from the command line

To delete the virtual machine from the command line first we need to find the VMID.

Once we login to the node. We use the below command to find the VMID.

cat /etc/pve/.vmlist

Once we get the ID we use the below command to delete it.

qm destroy <vmid>

This way we remove the virtual machine in Proxmox.

Common error faced when deleting virtual machine in Proxmox

Recently one of our customers approached us saying he is unable to delete the virtual machine. Let's discuss how our <u>Support Engineers</u> help him out.

Proxmox Virtual machine locked

On analyzing the node we found that the Virtual machine was in a lock state. So first, we find the VMID.

Then we use the command to unlock the VM.

qm unlock <VMID>

Once we unlock the virtual machine we were able to delete it without any error.

Cannot delete due to missing storage

Another customer contacted us with the error *Cannot delete due to missing storage* when trying to delete the virtual machine. Let's discuss how our <u>Support Engineers</u> resolve the error for our customers.

The configuration file of the virtual machine is present at the location /etc/pve/gemu-server.

We find the file VMID.conf file from the location.

Then we delete the file or we move the file.

Thus, on refreshing the web interface the Virtual machine will not be present.

Conclusion

In short, we've discussed how we delete the VM from the web interface and CLI. Also, we've discussed the common error and how our <u>Support Engineers</u> fix it for our customers.



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