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Subject: Re: Switch to new red hat 5 kernel  
Posted by [Cranky](#) on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 23:13:38 GMT  
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You should be able to install it on the same server. You can install it with "yum install ovzkernel" or download ovzkernel\* and rpm -ivh it.

Ensure you use "yum install" or "rpm -ivh" so you install the new kernel in addition to the existing kernel, rather than upgrading it, then if you can't boot the new kernel you can fall back to the previous kernel. If you upgrade instead you will most likely find your old kernels are messed up and won't boot.

You should check [http://wiki.openvz.org/Kernel\\_flavors](http://wiki.openvz.org/Kernel_flavors) to ensure you're booting the most suitable kernel. This page also reiterates the need to install, not upgrade.

Regards,

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Romeo Theriault wrote:

> Hi, I'm subscribed to the OpenVZ news/blog in my rss reader. Today I  
> received a notice that the current stable kernel would be switched to the  
> red hat 5 kernel. Specifically this was the comment:  
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> Our internal testing shows this RHEL5 kernel is pretty good, so it will  
> replace our current stable branch real soon.  
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> How will this affect current RH 4 systems running OpenVZ. Will we simply be  
> able to install the new kernel while keeping all of the rest of the system  
> at the RH 4 level?  
>  
> Or will we need to install RH 5 and use the Openvz kernel based off of RH 5  
> to keep our systems up to date with the stable kernel branch?  
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> Thanks for any pointers on this.  
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> Romeo

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