Subject: CentOS forums claim OpenVZ containers/host as unsupported, so... Posted by falcon74 on Thu, 27 Jan 2011 11:16:59 GMT

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Am pretty new to OpenVZ (and container based virutalization in general), so bear with what may be some silly questions.

My concerns...

- 1. For every package that doesn't come as part of the pre-built container templates, what options do I have to install those additional packages?
- 2. Pure CentOS users can get lot of non-official s/w packages from EPEL & RPMforge. Is similar luxury available for use within OpenVZ CentOS based container? Or do I need to download source and build such software packages?
- 3. How much of a real difference exists, from a developer (who needs to compile / build software from source) and a user, between pure CentOS, and Container CentOS?
- 4. What other surprises can I expect due to the difference between pure CentOS and OpenVZ modified CentOS?
- 5. Finally, my intent is to use OpenVZ on 64-bit commodity servers (Athlon II X2 250 / dual-channel 4G DDR3 @1333MHz / 500GB 7200rpm SATA on Desktop mobo). Are they any specific gotchas for 64-bit ? I read an old post (circa 2009) citing issues with certain tools on CentOS 5.x, on 64-bit plaf.

thanks, F74