## Subject: Using Ksplice for kernel updates Posted by ChrisM on Tue, 18 Dec 2012 12:46:29 GMT

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Can anyone please describe how to use Ksplice Uptrack with OpenVZ to have rebootless kernel updates? I installed Ksplice today but when running "uptrack-upgrade -y" on the hardware node it comes back with:

[root@server ~]# uptrack-upgrade -y

The Ksplice Uptrack for RHEL trial provides access to rebootless updates for RHEL 5 and 6 systems only. If you have any questions, please contact ksplice-support\_ww@oracle.com.

Which would suggest it doesn't support the OpenVZ kernel.

The kernel we are running is 2.6.32-042stab068.8 on CentOS 6.3.

Does anyone have any suggestions?

Thanks, Chris

Subject: Re: Using Ksplice for kernel updates Posted by Ales on Tue, 18 Dec 2012 21:40:23 GMT

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Does your trial include user support? This seems like a good opportunity to test their response.

Subject: Re: Using Ksplice for kernel updates Posted by ChrisM on Wed, 19 Dec 2012 09:35:09 GMT

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OK, i've contacted Ksplice support to see what they say - will update with their response.

Is it necessary to run vzkernel or can we use the standard kernel package and still be able to run OpenVZ? I guess if the latter was possible, we would be able to use Ksplice.

Cheers, Chris

Subject: Re: Using Ksplice for kernel updates Posted by ChrisM on Fri, 21 Dec 2012 09:48:03 GMT

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I contacted Oracle support, and they said that the Ksplice trial is only compatible with pure RHEL

kernels and not clones such as CentOS or OpenVZ.

They confirmed that they are no longer selling Ksplice licenses for OpenVZ but that their existing resellers (eg your server provider) may be able to sell you a license which is compatible with OpenVZ.

So that basically answers my question that the fully licensed version of Ksplice should be compatible with vzkernel.

Cheers, Chris