

Notes on Using Red Hat Enterprise Linux ES (v.3 for x86)

Preface

About This Manual

This manual provides notes on PRIMERGY operation with Linux installed. Be sure to read this manual before using Linux.

Intended Readers

This manual is intended for persons who operate PRIMERGY.

Organization of This Manual

This manual consists of the following chapters:

Chapter 1 Notes on Operation

This chapter provides notes on operation after installation. Be sure to read this chapter before operating PRIMERGY with Linux installed.

Chapter 2 Addition of Peripheral Devices and Option Cards

This chapter explains the procedures for adding peripheral devices and cards after installation and provides notes on adding these options. Read this chapter as required.

Chapter 3 Others

This chapter explains other functions and provides other notes such as notes on limits.

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1. Notes on Operation

1.1 Assignment of Device Names

Linux assigns device names to a variety of devices, such as the hard disk drive, in the order that it recognizes them during its startup sequence. If the system is restarted after a device such as a hard disk drive or controller fails, the assigned device names may be changed because the system cannot recognize a device that has failed.

Example: When hard disk drives are connected to SCSI ID 1, 2, and 3, device names /dev/sda, /dev/sdb, and /dev/sdc are assigned respectively to the disk drives. If /dev/sdb fails under this condition, the device previously assigned /dev/sdc/ is moved up by one and recognized as /dev/sdb after the system is restarted.

If an assigned device is unexpectedly changed, it may prevent the system from starting or, in the worst case, may damage your data. If a device fault is detected, therefore, Fujitsu recommends starting the system in rescue mode and checking for hardware faults before restarting the system (*1). Repair the hardware fault, restore the system by means such as the backup tape, and then restart the system.

*1 Using **installation CD 1/4**, start the system in rescue mode. For details on starting the system in rescue mode, see **Section 1.4, "Starting the System in Rescue Mode."**

After starting the system, use the fdisk command to check whether the relevant hard disk drive can be recognized, and take necessary steps such as checking for hardware error messages in /var/log/messages.

1.2 Installation of Red Hat Enterprise Linux ES (v.3 for x86) Packages

Red Hat Enterprise Linux provides installation types so that the optimum system can be constructed according to the use purpose. For this reason, packages required for your purposes might not be installed. If a required package has not been installed, log in as the root and install it by executing the following procedure:

Install the necessary packages by using the **installation CDs (1/4 to 4/4)** that have been created according to the Installation Procedure included in the driver kit.

```
# mount -r /dev/cdrom /mnt/cdrom
# cd /mnt/cdrom/RedHat/RPMS
# rpm -ivh <package_file>
  Example: To install package "make"
  # rpm -ivh make-3.79.1-17.i386.rpm
# cd /
# umount /mnt/cdrom
# eject
```

* Remove the CD.

1.3 Installing and Setting Up Global Array Manager (GAM)

Use Global Array Manager (GAM) as a RAID management tool in a system with a mounted onboard SCSI-RAID or a SCSI-RAID card (PG-140D1).

For details on installing GAM-Client (Windows), see "**Outline of Installation Procedure for Global Array Manager-Client**", which is an attachment.

The GAM-Server (Linux) installation procedure is explained below.

[Notes]

- 1) The screen display may become unstable during GAM installation or GAM service startup. This is not an operational problem.
- 2) Specify the TCP port numbers shown below for GAM service.
Take care when configuring firewall settings.

TCP port numbers: 157,158

- (1) To install GAM-Server (Linux), insert the driver CD into the CD-ROM drive, and enter commands as follows:

```
# mount -r /dev/cdrom /mnt/cdrom
# cd /mnt/cdrom/RHEL3/UTY/GAM/Linux
# rpm -ivh gam-server-6.02-26.i386.rpm
# rpm -ivh gam-agent-6.02-26.i386.rpm
```

- Enter the following only if onboard SCSI-RAID

```
# rpm -ivh 1030SNMPAgent-2.4-4.i386.rpm
```

```
# sh ./insgam
* Confirm that "GAM is installed successfully." is displayed.
# cd /
# umount /mnt/cdrom
# eject
* Remove the CD.
```

- (2) For user accounts in Linux, create "gamroot" as a user account with GAM administrator authority and then create user accounts (e.g., "gamuser") with user authority.
(If a user account with user authority has already been created, another account need not be created.)

```
# adduser gamroot
# passwd gamroot
```

Changing password for user gamroot

New UNIX password <--- Enter a password.

Retype new UNIX password <--- Re-enter the same password for confirmation.

passwd: all authentication tokens updated successfully

- * Create a user account with user authority in the same way as explained above.

- (3) Edit three lines as shown below in the /etc/sysconfig/gam file.
Events can be posted to GAM-Client after this editing is completed.

```
# vi /etc/sysconfig/gam
```

[Before editing]

```
START_GAMEVENT=n  
GAMEVENT_OPTIONS=""
```

[After editing]

```
START_GAMEVENT=y <--- Change "n" to "y".  
GAMEVENT_OPTIONS="-h ip-address" <--- Specify the IP address of the management  
Windows system on which GAM-Client is  
installed.
```

[Before editing]

```
START_GAMEVLOG=n
```

[After editing]

```
START_GAMEVLOG=y <--- Change "n" to "y".
```

- (4) Restart the system.

```
# shutdown -r now
```

* The following message may be displayed after the system starts. It does not indicate an operational problem.

[Message]

```
gamagent: gamagent: Connection refused  
gamagent connect failure
```

1.4 Starting the System in Rescue Mode

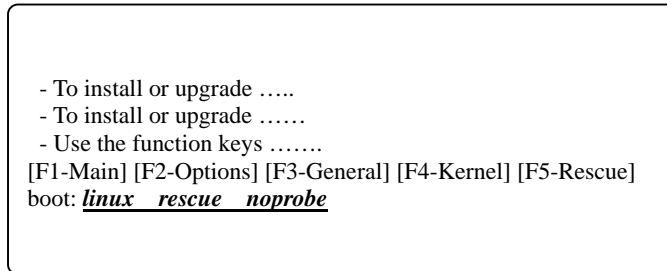
Using only one of the installation CDs that have been created according to the Installation Procedure included in the driver kit, you can start the system in rescue mode. This may enable system recovery in the event of a problem that prevents the system from starting normally.

This section explains only how to start the system as one that has minimum functionality.

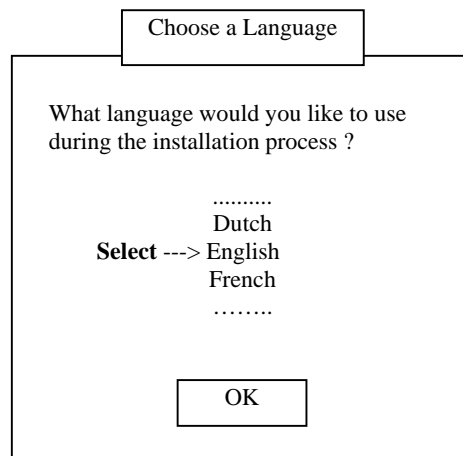
Start the system in rescue mode as follows:

- (1) Start the system from installation CD 1/4 that was created according to the Installation Procedure included in the driver kit. Enter the appropriate response in the following window, and press the [Enter] key.

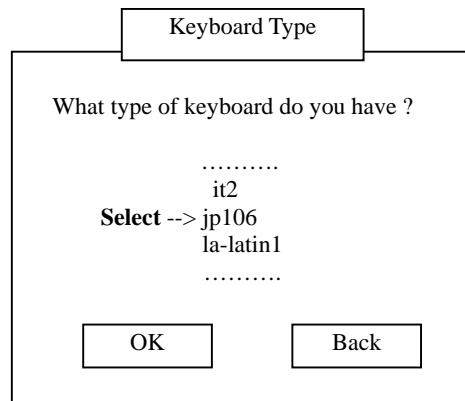
```
boot: linux rescue noprobe
```



- (2) In the Choose a Language window, select "English" and select "OK."

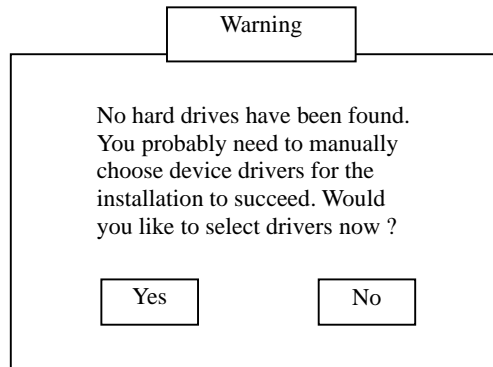


- (3) In the Keyboard Type window, select "jp106" and select "OK."
If an accessory keyboard such as of a flat display (PG-R1DP3) is used, select "us" here.

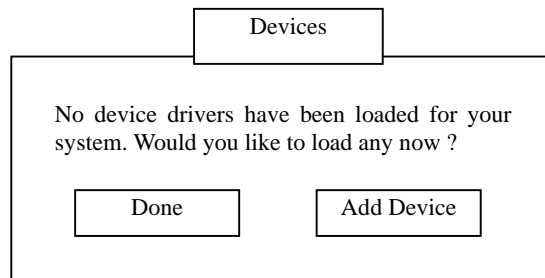


- * **If no USB device is connected**, the window shown in (4) is displayed.
- * **If a USB device is connected**, proceed to (6).

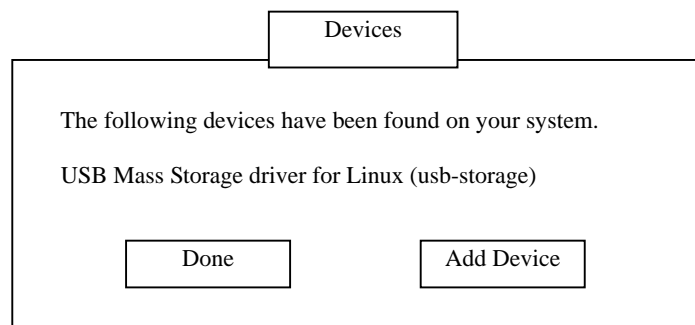
- (4) In the following window, select "Yes."



- (5) In the following window, select "Add Device." and proceed to (7):



- (6) In the following window, select "Add Device." and proceed to (7):



- (7) In the Driver List window, select the drivers for the devices installed in the system, and select "OK." The following drivers must be selected:

[SCSI or onboard SCSI-RAID type]

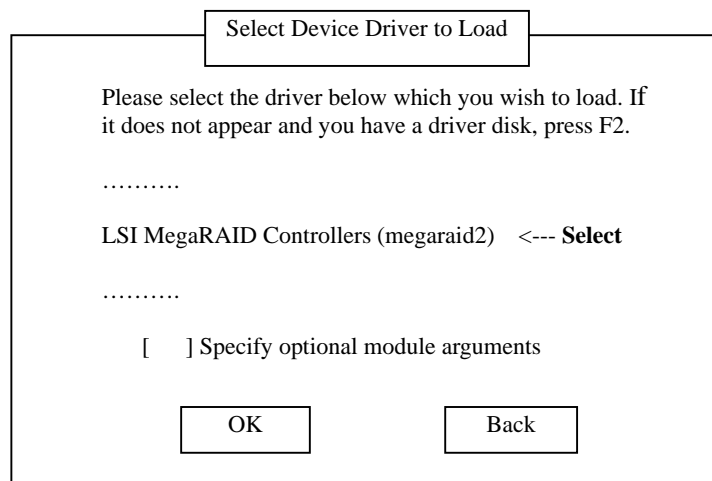
Two drivers must be selected. Select drivers as follows:

1. Select the driver shown below, and select "OK."
"LSI Logic Fusion MPT Base Driver (mptbase)"
2. The Device Selection window is displayed. Select "AddDevice."
3. A list of drivers is displayed. Select the driver shown below, and select "OK."
"LSI Logic Fusion MPT SCSI Driver (mptscsih)"

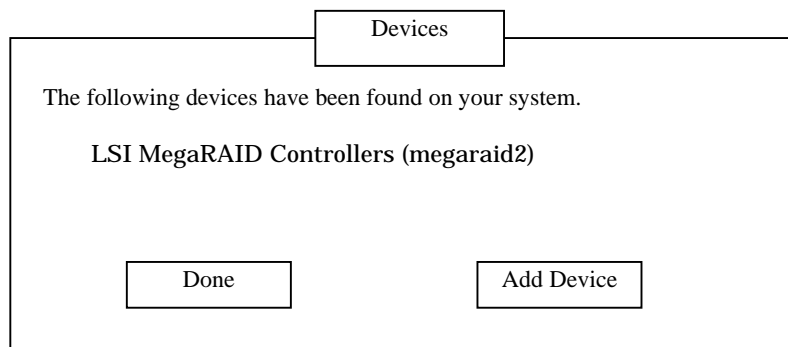
[SCSI-RAID (PG-140D1)]

"LSI MegaRAID controller (megaraid2)"

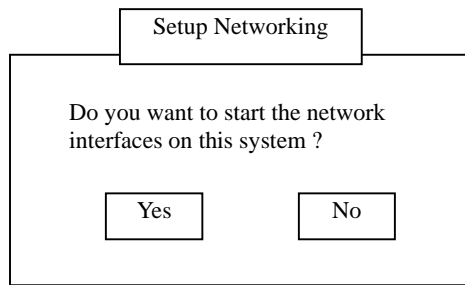
An example of selecting the driver for onboard SCSI-RAID is shown below:



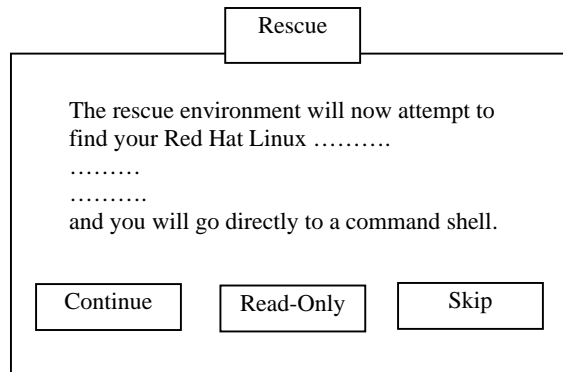
- (8) Make sure that the selected driver is displayed in the following window, and select "Done."



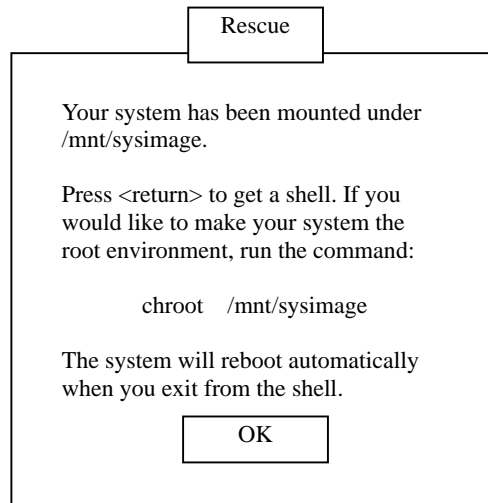
- (9) The Setup Networking window is displayed. Select "No" because network settings need not be configured at this time.



- (10) Select "Continue" in the Rescue window.



- (11) If the root partition (/) in the existing Linux system has been mounted successfully under /mnt/sysimage, this is reported in the Rescue window. Select "OK."



- (12) When the prompt is displayed, enter the chroot command to change the root path to the hard disk drive.

```
sh-2.05b# chroot /mnt/sysimage
```

- (13) This completes startup in rescue mode. To exit rescue mode, enter the exit command twice.

```
sh-2.05b# exit <--- Exit from the chroot environment.  
sh-2.05b# exit <--- Exit from the rescue mode.
```

1.5 Power-off at Shutdown

Power is not automatically turned off at shutdown.

When [Power down] is displayed on the console screen, press the power switch to turn off the power.

Note that the power is automatically turned off when the system is shut down in an environment in which ServerView is installed.

2. Addition of Peripheral Devices and Option Cards

2.1 Adding a SCSI Disk

The number of LUNs is set to 1 by default. To add a SCSI disk, shared disk, or tape library, log in as the root and define the number of LUNs as shown below. Multiple LUN referencing is enabled after the system is started next.

(1) Add the following lines to `/etc/modules.conf`:

```
options scsi_mod max_scsi_luns=N <--- Add  
* N is the number of LUNs. Define the appropriate number.
```

(2) Enter the `mkinitrd` command to create `initrd`.

To create `initrd`, enter the `mkinitrd` command appropriate for the type of kernel used.

* Enter the following command to check the type of kernel used:

```
# uname -r
```

```
[2.4.21-32.0.1.EL (kernel for single CPU)]
```

```
# cp /boot/initrd-2.4.21-32.0.1.EL.img /boot/initrd-2.4.21-32.0.1.EL.img.bak
```

```
# mkinitrd -f /boot/initrd-2.4.21-32.0.1.EL.img 2.4.21-32.0.1.EL
```

```
[2.4.21-32.0.1.EL smp (kernel for multi-CPU)]
```

```
# cp /boot/initrd-2.4.21-32.0.1.ELsmp.img /boot/initrd-2.4.21-32.0.1.EL smp.img.bak
```

```
# mkinitrd -f /boot/initrd-2.4.21-32.0.1.EL smp.img 2.4.21-32.0.1.EL smp
```

(3) Restart the system.

Enter the following command to restart the system.

```
# shutdown -r now
```

2.2 Adding Option Cards

The table lists models and the option cards supported by them.

		RX100 S3	TX150 S4
SCSI card	PG-128	--	V
	PG-130L	V	--
SCSI-RAID card	PG-140D1	--	V
LAN card	PG-1852	V	--
	PG-1853	--	V
	PG-1853L	V	--
	PG-1862	V	--
	PG-1882	--	V
	PG-1882L	V	--
	PG-1892L	V	V

V: Supported

--: Not supported

If any of the option cards supported by the models listed in the above table is added after system installation, kudzu is automatically started at system startup, and select "configure."

To add a LAN card, configure network settings according to the instructions displayed in the window.

Login as a root user at system startup, and perform the operations explained in **Section 2.3, "Executing mkinitrd."**

This section explains the operations that enable the system to automatically recognize the added card at each subsequent system startup.

2.3 Executing mkinitrd

(1) Create initrd by executing the mkinitrd command.

Create initrd by executing the mkinitrd command according to the kernel used.

* Enter the following command to check the kernel used:

```
# uname -r
```

Command execution examples are shown below.

```
[2.4.21-32.0.1.EL (kernel for a single CPU)]
```

```
# cp /boot/initrd-2.4.21-32.0.1.EL.img /boot/initrd-2.4.21-32.0.1.EL.img.bak
```

```
# mkinitrd -f /boot/initrd-2.4.21-32.0.1.EL.img 2.4.21-32.0.1.EL
```

```
[2.4.21-32.0.1.EL smp (kernel for multi-CPU)]
```

```
# cp /boot/initrd-2.4.21-32.0.1.EL.smp.img /boot/initrd-2.4.21-32.0.1.EL.smp.img.bak
```

```
# mkinitrd -f /boot/initrd-2.4.21-32.0.1.EL.smp.img 2.4.21-32.0.1.EL.smp
```

2.4 Restart the system.

Restart the system as follows:

```
# shutdown -r now
```

3. Others

3.1 Sound Function

No sound function is supported.

3.2 PCI Hot Plug Function

The PCI hot plug function is not supported.

3.3 Usable Kernels

The kernels that can be used vary depending on the hardware conditions.

See the table below for the kernels that can be used.

Note that middleware specifications might limit the kernel to be selected. In this case, select the kernel in accordance with the middleware specifications.

Hardware conditions		Kernel to be selected
Memory	Number of logical CPUs (*1)	
Up to 4 GB	1CPU	Kernel for single CPU
	2 or more CPUs	Kernel for multi-CPU
More than 4 GB and up to 8 GB	No conditions	Kernel for multi-CPU

(*1) Even when only one CPU is installed, the number of logical CPUs is 2 if Hyper Threading = Enabled.

3.4 Distribution Limitations

Operation is not guaranteed if one of the following CPU, memory, and file system limitations is exceeded:

Maximum number of logical CPUs: 4
Maximum memory size: 8 GB
File system: Less than 1 TB

3.5 Installation Procedure

For information on the procedure for installing Red Hat Enterprise Linux ES (v.3 for x86), see the Installation Procedure included in the "[Installation Kit](#)" downloaded from Download Search.

Attachment Outline of Global Array Manager Client Installation

- * Perform this operation only when an onboard SCSI-RAID or a SCSI-RAID card (PG-140D1) is mounted.
- * GAM-Client runs on Windows2000 and Windows2003. Prepare a management Windows system.

1. Insert the driver CD into the CD-ROM drive in the management Windows system.
2. Execute setup.exe in RHEL3¥UTY¥GAM¥Windows on the driver CD.
3. When the "Welcome" window is displayed, click "Next."
4. The "Software License Agreement" window is displayed. Read the statements and click "Yes" if you accept the terms of this agreement.
5. The "Select Components" window (Figure 1) is displayed. Confirm that the check box before "Global Array Manager Client" is selected. Clear the "Global Array Manager Server" and "SAN Array Manager Client" check boxes, and click "Next."

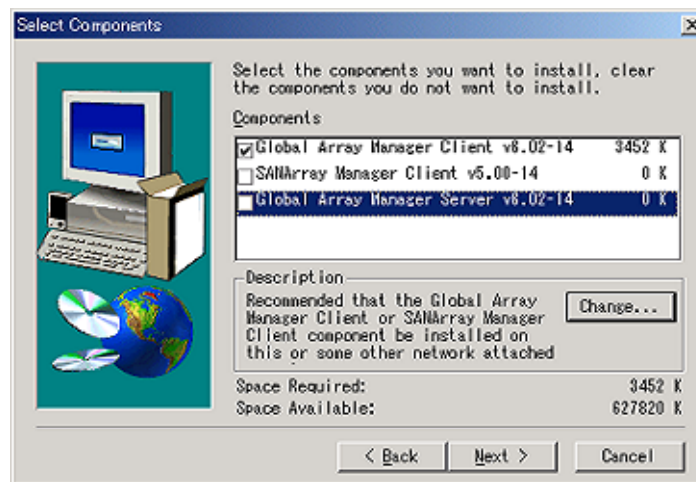


Figure 1

*** "SAN Array Manager Client" is not supported. Do not install it.**

6. The "Choose Destination Location" window is displayed. Click "Browse," specify the location that you want as the installation destination, and click "Next."
 - * **If GAM-Client is already installed, a message confirming whether to overwrite is displayed. Click "OK" to continue.**
7. A dialog box for specifying the GAM-Client installation destination is displayed. Click "Next." and the setup program starts copying files.
8. The "Setup Complete" window is displayed. Click "Finish" to exit the GAM-Client installation wizard.

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