

# PlateSpin Recon 3.7 Release Notes

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## 1 Overview

The information in this Release Notes file pertains to Novell® PlateSpin® Recon 3.7.

For instructions on downloading and upgrading to PlateSpin Recon 3.7, see “Upgrading PlateSpin Recon” ([http://www.novell.com/documentation/ps\\_recon37/recon\\_gs/data/biqbbox.html](http://www.novell.com/documentation/ps_recon37/recon_gs/data/biqbbox.html)) in the *Novell PlateSpin Recon 3.7 Getting Started Guide*.

For administrative tasks, see the *Novell PlateSpin Recon 3.7 User Guide* ([http://www.novell.com/documentation/ps\\_recon37/recon\\_user/data/index.html](http://www.novell.com/documentation/ps_recon37/recon_user/data/index.html)).

This product contains undocumented utilities that Novell Support might use to diagnose or correct problems.

## 2 New Features in This Release

PlateSpin Recon 3.7 includes the following new features and enhancements:

- ♦ Identifying the disk type that is attached to the workload based on the storage type such as iSCSI, Local, or SAN.
- ♦ Support for inventory and monitoring on IBM\* AIX\* 5.2, 5.3, and 6.1.
- ♦ Collecting data for new disk utilization counters, such as:

VC\_DiskPercentIdleTime  
VC\_DiskTotalSpaceGB  
VC\_DiskUsedSpaceGB  
VC\_DiskFreeSpaceGB  
VC\_DiskPercentUsedSpace  
VC\_DiskPercentFreeSpace  
VC\_DiskPartitionedSpaceGB  
VC\_DiskUnpartitionedSpaceGB  
VC\_DiskPercentPartitionedSpace  
VC\_DiskPercentUnpartitionedSpace  
PhysicalDisk\_CurrentDiskQueueLength  
PhysicalDisk\_PercentIdleTime  
PhysicalDisk\_TotalSpaceGB  
PhysicalDisk\_UsedSpaceGB  
PhysicalDisk\_FreeSpaceGB  
PhysicalDisk\_PercentUsedSpace  
PhysicalDisk\_PercentFreeSpace  
PhysicalDisk\_PartitionedSpaceGB

PhysicalDisk\_UnpartitionedSpaceGB  
PhysicalDisk\_PercentPartitionedSpace  
PhysicalDisk\_PercentUnpartitionedSpace

For detailed information about the counters collected by PlateSpin Recon for the supported platforms, see “[Platform Counters](#)” in the *PlateSpin Recon User Guide*.

- ◆ Collecting data for new volume utilization counters, such as:

VC\_LogicalDiskUsedMegabytes  
VC\_LogicalDiskFreeMegabytes  
VC\_LogicalDiskPercentUsedSpace  
VC\_LogicalDiskPercentFreeSpace  
LogicalDisk\_UsedMegabytes  
LogicalDisk\_FreeMegabytes  
LogicalDisk\_PercentUsedSpace  
LogicalDisk\_PercentFreeSpace

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- ◆ Two new Inventory reports related to core count are available:
  - ◆ **Core Count Report:** Used to calculate all physical cores and virtual cores (vCPU).
  - ◆ **Physical Core Count Report:** Used to calculate physical cores only.

## 3 Known Issues

- ◆ [Section 3.1, “The storage type for NFS volumes on Windows is displayed as "Unknown",” on page 2](#)
- ◆ [Section 3.2, “The normalization speed for IBM AIX machine is incorrect,” on page 2](#)

### 3.1 The storage type for NFS volumes on Windows is displayed as "Unknown"

When you view the properties of a Windows machine in the Data Center Explorer, the storage type for the NFS volumes is displayed as *Unknown* instead of *NFS*.

Workaround: None.

### 3.2 The normalization speed for IBM AIX machine is incorrect

The normalization speed for the Power PC processors of IBM AIX machines is not calculated, and it is displayed as 1 in the AIX machine properties page. This value is used in consolidation planning and reports.

Workaround: After inventorying the AIX machine, manually set the correct value for the processor’s Normalized Speed:

- 1 In Data Center Explorer, right-click the AIX machine, then click *Properties*.
- 2 Click the *Custom Fields* tab.

3 Change the value for *Normalized Speed*.

4 Click *OK*.

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