

1. Introduction

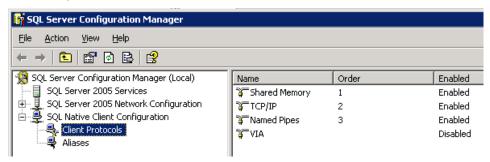
This guide outlines the steps for installing and configuring a basic installation of VMware vCenter Chargeback 1.0.1. It is intended to serve as an example for a proof-of-concept. Examples are used illustratively and do not necessarily reflect best practices. This guide is not meant to be a comprehensive reference installation that takes into consideration customer-specific requirements with respect to best practices.

2. Database Server Setup

The following screenshots are taken from Microsoft SQL Server 2005. SQL 2008 and Oracle 10g and 11g are also supported and the same basic setup instructions apply. If you have any doubt about your database configuration knowledge, please consult a DBA.

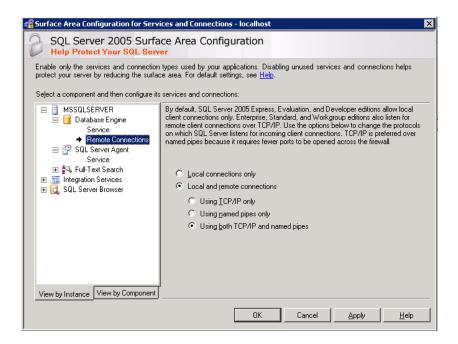
2.1 Preparing Database Protocols

- 1. Launch the SQL Server Configuration Manager (or equivalent)
- 2. Ensure both named pipes and TCP/IP are enabled, and that TCP/IP is higher in the stack than Named Pipes



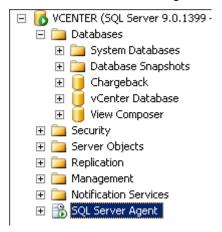
3. Launch the SQL Server Surface Area Configuration (or equivalent), and ensure Remote Connections are configured to use both TCP/IP and Named Pipes





2.2 Ensure the SQL Server Agent is running

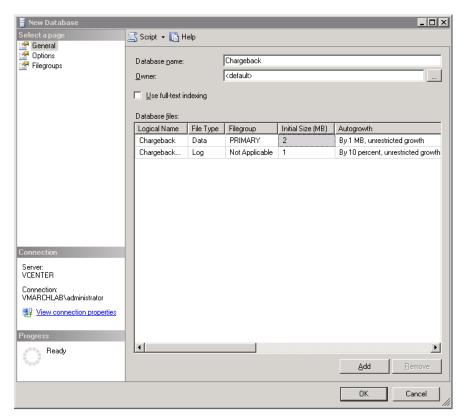
 Using the SQL Server Configuration Manager (or equivalent), ensure the SQL Server Agent service is running. (NOTE: You can also use Windows Services interface on the SQL server to ensure the SQL Server Agent service is running)



2.3 Create the Chargeback Database

1. Using SQL Server Management Studio (or equivalent), create a database for Chargeback





- 2. Note: If using Windows Authentication and running in Active Directory, no further configuration is necessary.
- 3. If using SQL Authentication, you must create a database user. That user must have permissions to create and delete schema, as well as read from and write to the database

3. vCenter Chargeback Installation

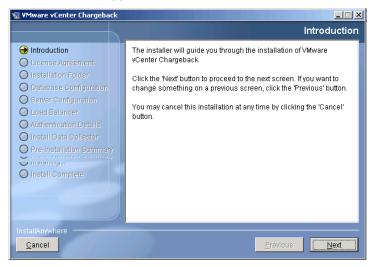
Refer to the vCenter Chargeback User's Guide for instructions on how to install and configure the vCenter Chargeback Virtual Appliance if a quick demonstration or evaluation is sufficient.

3.1 Installing vCenter Chargeback

1. Launch the vCenter Chargeback installer

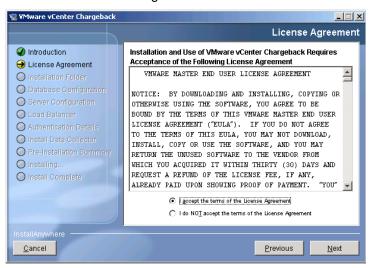


The Introduction screen appears



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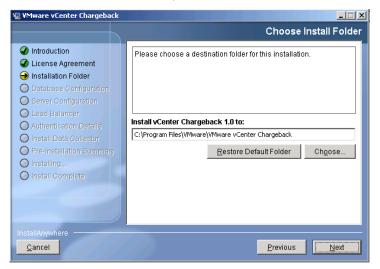
3. Accept the terms of the license agreement



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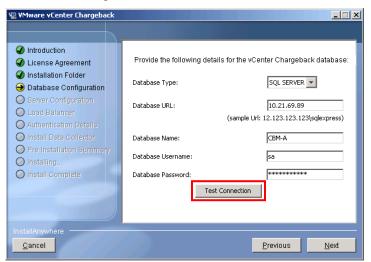


4. Accept the default installation folder, or click Choose to select a custom one



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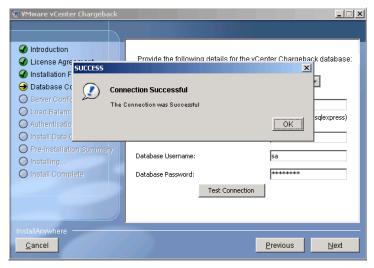
5. Enter the database configuration details:



Click Test Connection

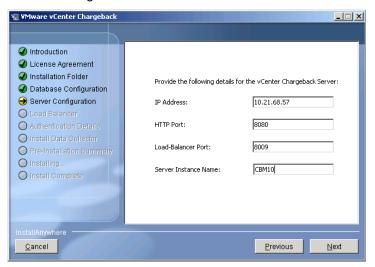


Assuming the database configuration details are correct, the "Connection Successful" message will appear



Click OK, and then click Next

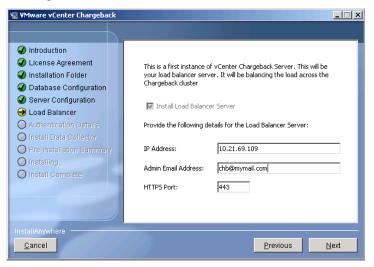
7. Enter the server configuration details



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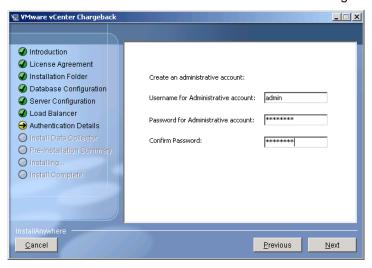


Enter the Chargeback load balancer server details



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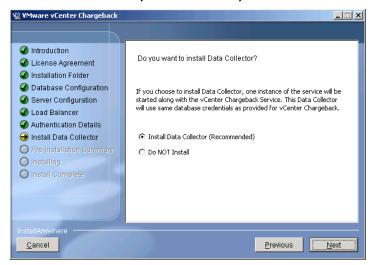
9. Enter the information to create an administrative account in Chargeback



Click Next



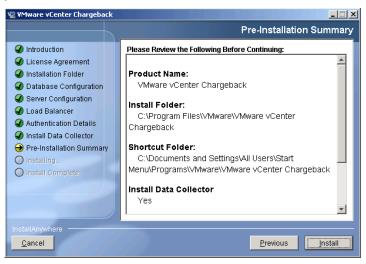
10. Select Install Data Collector (Recommended)



Refer to the vCenter Chargeback User's Guide for instructions on how to subsequently install additional Data Collectors.

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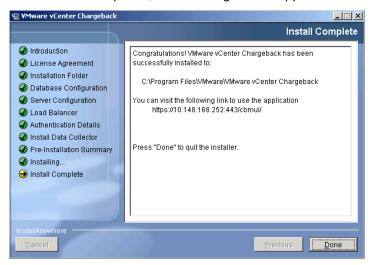
Review your selections



Click Install



12. When the installation completes, the following screen appears



Click Done

4. vCenter Chargeback Configuration

4.1 Logging in to the Chargeback Web Interface

- Open a browser connection to the connection details that were displayed on your screen when you installed vCenter Chargeback 1.0.1, e.g., http://<Chargeback_IP>:8080/cbmui/index.htm
- If this is the first time that you have logged into vCenter Chargeback, supply the license key, and then click Add
- Provide the appropriate Chargeback credentials. Use the administrative account created during installation.



Click OK



The vCenter Chargeback home screen appears

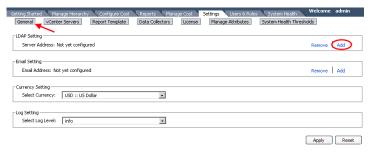


4.2 Configuring the LDAP Server Settings

1. From the vCenter Chargeback home screen, select the Settings tab



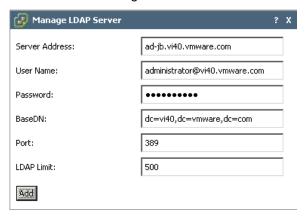
2. Ensure the General button is selected on the top left



In the LDAP Setting box, click Add



Enter the LDAP server settings



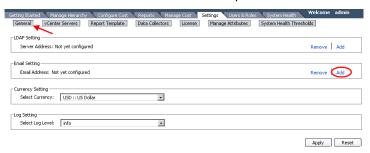
When finished, click Add

4.3 Configuring the Email Server Settings

1. From the vCenter Chargeback home screen, select the Settings tab



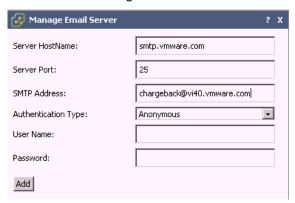
2. Ensure the General button is selected on the top left



In the Email Setting box, click Add



Enter the email server settings



When finished, click Add

 Note: You will need to fill in the User Name and Password only if the SMTP server requires authentication

Note: If you get an error "Connectivity to the SMTP server could not be established", and are running the McAfee anti-virus, open the McAfee VirusScan console, double-click **Access Protection** and deselect "Prevent mass mailing worms from sending mail"

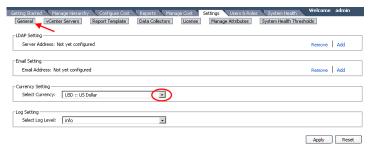
4.4 Configuring the Currency Settings

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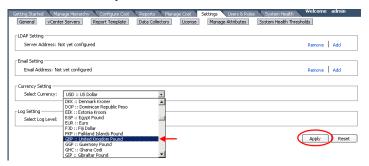


2. Ensure the General button is selected on the top left



In the Currency Setting box, click the dropdown to select a currency

Select the desired currency



Click Apply

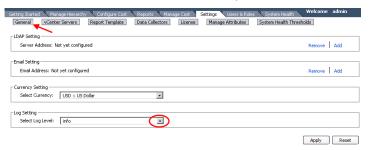
4.5 Configuring the Log Settings

1. From the vCenter Chargeback home screen, select the Settings tab



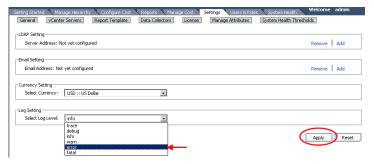


Ensure the General button is selected on the top left



In the Log Setting box, click the dropdown to select a log level

3. Select the desired log level, if not accepting the default value



Click Apply

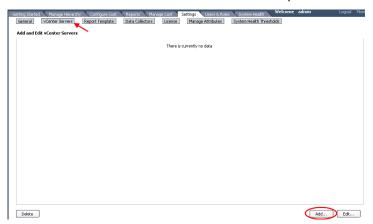
4.6 Adding a vCenter Server to Chargeback

1. From the vCenter Chargeback home screen, select the **Settings** tab





2. Ensure the vCenter Servers button is selected on the top left



Click Add

3. Enter the vCenter Server Information



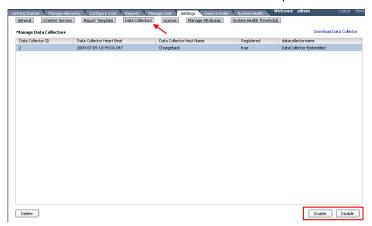
Click Add

4.7 Viewing Chargeback Data Collectors

1. From the vCenter Chargeback home screen, select the Settings tab



2. Ensure the Data Collectors button is selected on the top middle



Click Enable or Disable as desired