

Misc infrastructure - Feature # 204: Support Boot Loader Spec in Grub

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Subject:	Support Boot Loader Spec in Grub		
Description:	<p>VMs at BitFolk are booted by a grub2 image configured to work in either PVH or PV mode. These then read the guest's grub configuration.</p> <p>Newer Linux distributions including CentOS Stream 8, CentOS Stream 9 and Fedora are now using something called the "Boot Loader Spec":<a href="https://fedoraproject.org/wiki/Changes/BootLoaderSpecByDefault">https://fedoraproject.org/wiki/Changes/BootLoaderSpecByDefault</a>. It looks like this needs an upgrade of Grub on BitFolk's side to support.</p>		

History

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At the moment this appears to be a Red Hat / Fedora innovation that has not yet been merged to the upstream grub source. I can't find a simple self-contained patch set that brings this feature to upstream grub so I'm going to hold off on this for a while.

The feature can be disabled in RHEL-like and Fedora with:

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<pre># echo "GRUB_ENABLE_BLSCFG=false" >> /etc/default/grub</pre>
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The symptom of trying to boot with this enabled is that BitFolk's grub complains of missing command and module "blscfg".

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