# Data Cluster

A Data Cluster is an arbitrary grouping of Volumes that does not depend on sequential or similar Volume-IDs.

They can be used in combination with Simple Management Rules to coordinate Volume movements.

## Adding A Data Cluster

To add a Data Cluster: In TapeMaster, open the Media type of the required Customer and select the Data Clusters Administrative Tab.

Right-click inside the Data Clusters Administrative Tab and select “Insert” or use the Insert key on the keyboard. Fill out a brief description of this Data Cluster and, if necessary, insert a Parent Data Cluster for this Data Cluster to be nested under.

## Add Volumes to the Data Cluster.

### Adding Multiple Volumes

From the Inventory tab of the required Customers media type: Select the Volumes in the Volume List. Right-click, select Special Operations, Modify, and click on Data Cluster.

In the Data Cluster Selection window type in the Data Cluster that these Volumes should be associated with and select “OK”.

### Adding Single Volume

Double-click or Right-Click and select “Properties” on a Volume in the Volume List to launch the Volume Properties Window. Select the Options tab. At the top will be a field called “Data Cluster” with a drop down menu. Select the Data Cluster to associate this Volume with and click “Save”.

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