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Just as I published last [Unix Tutorial Digest](#) on November 5th, **RHEL 8.1** release got shipped – think this is a great incremental release bringing a number of key improvements to the [Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8](#).

RHEL 8 Release Cadence

Red Hat announced that going forward [Red Hat Enterprise Linux OS](#) will be receiving regular updates every 6 months. Since RHEL 8 release was in May 2019, this current RHEL 8.1 update is right on time, 6 months after.

RHEL 8.1 Improvements I Want To Try

There's a number of great improvements in this release:

- **Live Kernel Patching with kpatch**
- [SELinux](#) profiles for containers and tbolt for Thunderbolt devices – will be cool to try on my RHEL 8 PC
- Perhaps try **RHEL 7.6 in-place upgrade to RHEL 8.1**
- Review **rhel-system-roles** and specifically the new **storage** role added in RHEL 8.1
- [LUKS2](#) online re-encryption
- [RHEL 8 Web Console](#)
 - firewall zones management
 - Virtual Machines configuration

I also want to try **Red Hat Universal Base Image for RHEL 8** – it's been around since initial release in May, I just never got the chance to have a look.

See Also

- [Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.1 release notes](#)
- [RHEL 8 Reference](#)
- [Red Hat Linux](#)
- [Hello, world with podman](#)
- [Docker software](#)