# Hystax Acura Installation Guide (GCP)



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# 1. Upload Acura and Cloud Agent images to the cloud

Download Acura and Cloud Agent archives provided by Hystax. Go to "Storage  $\rightarrow$  Browser" section in GCP UI and open one of your buckets. Create one if there are no buckets.

Upload the archives to the selected bucket:



Wait till the upload is finished.

#### 2. Create an image for Acura

Go to "Compute Engine  $\rightarrow$  Images" section in GCP UI and press "Create image".

- Set "Cloud storage file" as a source.
- Choose the Acura archive as the cloud storage image file.
- Choose the region you will use for Acura instance deployment.
- Image name is not important, you can put something like "hystax-acura" there.

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Once the image is created, it is safe to remove the Acura archive from the cloud storage bucket.

### 3. Create an image for Cloud Agent

Go to "Compute Engine  $\rightarrow$  Images" section in GCP UI and press "Create image".

- Set "Cloud storage file" as a source.
- Choose the Cloud Agent archive as the cloud storage image file.
- Choose the same region you used for Acura image.
- Image name must be set to "hystax-cati".



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# 4. Create firewall rules for Acura instance

Go to "VPC network  $\rightarrow$  Firewall rules" section in GCP UI. Create a new rule.

- Choose the network you will use for Acura deployment.
- Set "acura" in "Target tags".
- Allow the following ports:
  - tcp: 22, 80, 443, 4443, 30080, 30081, 30082
  - udp: 12201

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# 5. Create firewall rules for Cloud Agent

During replications, Acura will automatically create Cloud Agent instances and talk to them over the private network. Make sure that there is a firewall rule that permits communication inside your network.

For the "default" network this rule is already created by Google:

default-allow-internal	Ingress	Apply to all	IP ranges: 10.128.0.0/9	tcp:0-65535 udp:0-65535 icmp	Allow	65534	default
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If you are going to deploy Acura to a non-default network, create a similar rule for this network:

- Set "Targets" into "All instances in the network".
- Set "IP ranges" to the CIDR range of your network.
- Allow all ports.

### 6. Create Acura instance

Go to "Compute Engine  $\rightarrow$  VM instances" section in GCP UI and press "Create Instance".

• Choose "n1-standard-2" flavor or better.

• In "Boot disk" choose Acura image from "Custom Images" tab and set the disk size to be at least 100GB. SSD disk type is recommended.

• Allow full access to all cloud APIs for this instance. Acura won't be able to run without cloud API access.

• Open "Management, security, disks, networking, sole tenancy" spoiler and navigate to "Networking" tab:

• Put "acura" to "Network tags". This will enable the firewall rule created earlier.

• Edit the default network interface: create a fixed external IP instead of ephemeral. This will prevent Acura from losing its public IP on shutdown/reboot.

Press "Create" to run Acura instance.

Note that you don't need to create Cloud Agent instances: Acura will run them automatically using the image created earlier.

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# 7. Pass Acura Initial Configuration

Once the VM is started, wait approximately 20 minutes for it to boot up, then open its external IP in a web browser. Please accept the certificate warnings and then you will see the initial configuration page.

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Press "Next" to run cloud check. If this check fails with permission errors, please verify that Acura instance has full access to all cloud APIs. Note that you will need to shut down the instance to change its permission settings.

After cloud check is complete, an Acura account creation form will appear. Create the account and use it to log in. Congratulations, you are now ready to use Acura!