



Wallet usage

In this document a short overview of `cardano-wallet` and `cardano-cli` is given for wallet and address manipulation. Procedure of restoring wallet address and signing keys from mnemonics is given.

Mnemonics can be generated (and imported) via `icarus` as well, although procedure here is cli specific.

SUGGESTION: For an introduction to wallets, see [here](#) (link to intro section about wallets)

Prerequisites

Tools required for the process are:

- `cardano-wallet`
- `cardano-cli`
- `cardano-address`
- `bech32`

If you started local tools from provided docker compose file, they are all available in ``wallet-api`` container

NOTE: `--testnet` magic should be `set` to the appropriate number. Please

```
$ export TESTNET_MAGIC="<CORRECT VALUE HERE>"
```

Generate mnemonic

Create a wallet with mnemonic phrase

```
cardano-wallet recovery-phrase generate --size 24 > mnemonic-phrase.d
```

Check the generated mnemonic it should contain 24 words space separated from shelley wallet.

```
cat mnemonic-phrase.dat
```

Create extended root private key

Create an extended root private key from the mnemonic

```
cat mnemonic-phrase.dat | cardano-wallet key from-recovery-phrase She
```

OR

```
cat mnemonic-phrase.dat | cardano-address key from-recovery-phrase Sh
```

Generate extended payment/stake/change keys (with or without account keys)

Generate extended stake and payment private keys directly from the root private key:

```
cat root.xprv | cardano-address key child 1852H/1815H/0H/2/0 > stake.  
cat root.xprv | IDX=0 cardano-address key child 1852H/1815H/0H/$(echo
```

Or

Create two keys:

- extended account private key (will be used to further derive your payment/staking private/public keys)
- extended account public key (this is the same as the "wallet public key" in Daedalus for example)

```
cat root.xprv | cardano-wallet key child 1852H/1815H/0H \  
| tee acct.xprv | cardano-wallet key public --with-chain-code > acct.
```

Use the extended account private key to further derive the address-specific payment/stake keypairs. Following will create an extended signing key

```
cat acct.xprv | cardano-wallet key child <DERIVATION_PATH>
```

Where `**<DERIVATION_PATH>**` is one of the following (`n` is address index):

- `**0/n**` for payment keypairs
- `**1/n**` for change-address payment keypairs
- `**2/0**` for the account-level staking keypair

For example:

```
cat acct.xpriv | cardano-wallet key child 2/0 > stake.xpriv
cat acct.xpriv | cardano-wallet key child 0/$(echo 0) > payment.xpriv
cat acct.xpriv | cardano-wallet key child 1/$(echo 0) > change.xpriv
```

Create public extended keys from private

```
cat payment.xpriv | cardano-address key public --with-chain-code > pay
cat stake.xpriv | cardano-address key public --with-chain-code > stake
cat change.xpriv | cardano-address key public --with-chain-code > chan
```

Conversion to regular private and public keys

Generate base address candidate

```
cat payment.xpub \
| cardano-address address payment --network-tag $(echo "testnet") \
| cardano-address address delegation $(cat stake.xpub) > base.addr_ca
```

Inspect the base address candidate

```
cat base.addr_candidate | cardano-address address inspect
```

Fix line end on base address candidate

```
cat base.addr_candidate | bech32 | bech32 addr_test > base.addr_candi
mv base.addr_candidate_test base.addr_candidate
```

```
cat base.addr_candidate
```

Convert cardano-addresses extended signing keys to corresponding Shelley-format keys.

```
cardano-cli key convert-cardano-address-key --shelley-payment-key --s  
cardano-cli key convert-cardano-address-key --shelley-stake-key --sig
```

Get verification keys from signing keys.

```
cardano-cli key verification-key --signing-key-file stake.skey --veri  
cardano-cli key verification-key --signing-key-file payment.skey --ve
```

Get non-extended verification keys from extended verification keys.

```
cardano-cli key non-extended-key --extended-verification-key-file sta  
cardano-cli key non-extended-key --extended-verification-key-file pay
```

Build stake and payment addresses

```
cardano-cli stake-address build --stake-verification-key-file stake.v  
cardano-cli address build --payment-verification-key-file payment.vke
```

```
cardano-cli address build \  
  --payment-verification-key-file payment.vkey \  
  --stake-verification-key-file stake.vkey \  
  --testnet-magic $TESTNET_MAGIC \  
  --out-file base.addr
```

Compare `base.addr` and `base.addr_candidate` they must match, then rename it to payment address

```
mv base.addr payment.addr
```

Move final keys and addresses to safe secret folder:

```
cp stake.vkey stake.skey stake.addr payment.vkey payment.skey payment
```

Or inspect them for further usage

```
# cat stake.vkey  
{  
  "type": "StakeVerificationKeyShelley_ed25519",  
  "description": "",  
  "cborHex": "5820 ... REDACTED ... "  
}  
  
# cat stake.skey  
{  
  "type": "StakeExtendedSigningKeyShelley_ed25519_bip32",  
  "description": "",  
  "cborHex": "5880 ... REDACTED ... "  
}  
  
# cat stake.addr  
stake_test1 ... REDACTED ...
```

```
# cat payment.vkey
{
  "type": "PaymentVerificationKeyShelley_ed25519",
  "description": "",
  "cborHex": "5820... REDACTED ..."
}

# cat payment.skey
{
  "type": "PaymentExtendedSigningKeyShelley_ed25519_bip32",
  "description": "",
  "cborHex": "5880... REDACTED ..."
}

# cat payment.addr
addr_test1... REDACTED ...

# cat payment-only.addr
addr_test1... REDACTED ...
```

Create a wallet from mnemonics and passphrase

```
cardano-wallet wallet create from-recovery-phrase <WALLET_NAME>
cardano-wallet wallet list
cardano-wallet wallet delete <WALLET_ID>
```

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