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## Configure rsh so that it does not prompt for a password

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Both rsh or rlogin prompt for a password. All you need to do is open /etc/hosts.equiv file on host system and add entries for all hosts you would like use without password .

This file list of hosts and users that are granted "trusted" r (rsh/rlogin) command access to your system without supplying a password.



[1]

\$ cat /etc/hosts.equiv

Output:

```
job1.ha1.nixcraft.com
job2.ha1.nixcraft.com
job3.ha1.nixcraft.com
```

In above file job1, job2, job3 hosts can connect without a password.

Caution: R (rsh/rlogin) commands are very insecure if possible switch to secure shell (ssh). You can configure ssh so that it does not [prompt for a password](#) [2].

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