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## OpenBSD Restart / Reload OpenSSH Without Rebooting

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There is no rc.d script provided under OpenBSD for sshd service. How do I restart OpenSSH sshd server without rebooting OpenBSD 4.x server?



You need to send HUP single to OpenSSH SSHD server using kill command. The default pid file is located at /var/run/sshd.pid:

# cat /var/run/sshd.pid

Sample output:

5367

Send HUP single to sshd PID # 5367:

# kill -HUP 5367

This can be done with a single command as follows:

# kill -HUP `cat /var/run/sshd.pid`

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