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Redhat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) install and configure MySQL database

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Q. How do I install MySQL database server under Redhat Enterprise Linux 5?

A. You have two choices:

- a) Install MySQL package using RHN
- b) Install MySQL rpm from CD/DVD

Red hat Enterprise Install Mysql Database server

The best way to install mysql package is to use RHN (Red Hat Network):

Redhat Enterprise Linux - **RHEL 5** MySQL installation

Type the following command as root user:

```
# yum install mysql-server mysql
```

Note above yum command works with Fedora core and Cent OS Linux.

Redhat Enterprise Linux - **RHEL 4/3** MySQL installation

Type the following command as root user:

```
# up2date mysql-server mysql
```

Start MySQL Service

To start mysql server type the following command:

```
# chkconfig mysqld on
# /etc/init.d/mysqld start
```

Setup mysql root password

Type the following command to [setup a password](#) ^[2] for root user:

```
# mysqladmin -u root password NEWPASSWORD
```

Test mysql connectivity

Type the following command to connect to MySQL server:

```
$ mysql -u root -p
```

See also

- See all mysql related [FAQ](#) ^[1] and [tips](#) ^[3]

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