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Exim Remove All messages From the Mail Queue

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Question: I'm using Exim mail server under CentOS Linux. How do I remove all messages from the Exim mail queue using a shell prompt?

Answer: Exim is a mail transfer agent (MTA) used on Unix-like operating systems. It aims to be a general and flexible mailer with extensive facilities for checking incoming e-mail.

[1]

To print a list of the messages in the queue, enter:

```
# exim -bp
```

To remove a message from the queue, enter:

```
# exim -Mrm {message-id}
```

To remove all messages from the queue, enter:

```
# exim -bp | awk '/^ *[0-9]+[mhd]/{print "exim -Mrm " $3}' | bash
```

Dallas Marlow [2], suggested following clean command:
```
# exim -bp | exiqgrep -i | xargs exim -Mrm
```

Further readings:

- man pages awk, exim
- Exim documentation

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