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How To: Disable Firewall on RHEL / CentOS / RedHat Linux

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I don't want firewall because I only run one http (port 80) public service. How do I turn off or disable firewall permanently under RHEL / Fedora Linux / Red Hat Enterprise Linux and CentOS Linux?



iptables is administration tool / command for IPv4 packet filtering and NAT. You need to use the following tools:

[a] service is a command to run a System V init script. It is use to save / stop / start firewall service.

[b] **chkconfig** command is used to update and queries runlevel information for system service. It is a system tool for maintaining the /etc/rc*.d hierarchy. Use this tool to disable firewall service at boot time.

How Do I Disable Firewall?

First login as the root user.

Next enter the following three commands to disable firewall.

- # service iptables save
- # service iptables stop
- # chkconfig iptables off

If you are using IPv6 firewall, enter:

- # service ip6tables save
- # service ip6tables stop
- # chkconfig ip6tables off

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