

■ Project 2 — Cloud Server Hardening & Secure Access ■

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Quick Actions ■

- Create admin user □

```
sudo adduser adminuser && sudo usermod -aG sudo adminu
```

- Grant sudo (NOPASSWD) □

```
echo 'adminuser ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD:ALL' | sudo tee /
```

- Disable root SSH □

```
sudo sed -i 's/^#*PermitRootLogin.*/PermitRootLogin
```

- Generate SSH key □

```
ssh-keygen -t rsa -b 4096
```

- Copy SSH key □

```
ssh-copy-id adminuser@<server-ip>
```

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09. Quick Setup Commands
10. Create admin user:
11. sudo adduser adminuser &
12. & sudo usermod -aG sudo adminuser
13. Grant sudo privileges:
14. echo 'adminuser ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD:ALL' | sudo tee
15. /etc/sudoers.d/adminuser
16. Disable root SSH login:

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17. sudo sed -i 's/^#*PermitRootLogin.*/PermitRootLogin no/'  
18. /etc/ssh/sshd_config &  
19. & sudo systemctl restart ssh  
20. Generate SSH key:  
21. ssh-keygen -t rsa -b 4096  
22. Copy SSH key to server:  
23. ssh-copy-id adminuser@  
24. Configure UFW:  
25. sudo apt install ufw -y &  
26. & sudo ufw allow OpenSSH &  
27. & sudo ufw enable &  
28. &  
29. sudo ufw status verbose  
30. Install Fail2Ban:  
31. sudo apt install fail2ban -y &  
32. & sudo systemctl enable fail2ban &  
33. & sudo  
34. systemctl start fail2ban  
35. Check Fail2Ban logs:
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36. sudo fail2ban-client status sshd &
37. & sudo cat /var/log/fail2ban.log | grep
38. Ban
39. Enable Auditd:
40. sudo apt install auditd -y &
41. & sudo systemctl enable auditd &
42. & sudo
43. ausearch -m USER_LOGIN,USER_CMD
44. (Bonus) Install Wazuh Agent:
45. curl -s0 https://packages.wazuh.com/4.x/apt/wazuh-agent-4.x.deb &
46. & sudo
47. WAZUH_MANAGER='
48. ' dpkg -i wazuh-agent-4.x.deb &
49. & sudo systemctl start
50. wazuh-agent
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