

# Different Locations for ansible.cfg file

- The default location is: `/etc/ansible/ansible.cfg`, in which we can make various settings like
  - Location of inventory file
  - `host_key_checking` as `False`
- But we can define ansible configuration file in different location and for this there is a priority for this files.
- Locations with priority(starting from top to bottom):
  - `ANSIBLE_CONFIG` environment variable
  - `./ansible.cfg` from the current directory
  - `~/.ansible.cfg` file present in home directory
  - `/etc/ansible/ansible.cfg` **default ansible.cfg file.**
- **Ansible will only use the configuration settings from the file which is found in this sequence first, it will not look for the settings in the higher sequence files if the setting is not present in the file which is chosen for deployment.**

**Thank you**