

**NAME**

airmon-ng - POSIX sh script designed to turn wireless cards into monitor mode.

**SYNOPSIS**

**airmon-ng** <start|stop> <interface> [channel] **airmon-ng** <check> [kill]

**DESCRIPTION**

**airmon-ng** This script can be used to enable monitor mode on wireless interfaces. It may also be used to go back from monitor mode to managed mode. Entering the airmon-ng command without parameters will show the interfaces status. It can also list/kill programs that can interfere with the wireless card operation.

**OPTIONAL PARAMETERS**

*start* <interface> [channel]

Enable monitor mode on an interface (and specify a channel). Note: Madwifi-ng is a special case, 'start' has to be used on wifi interfaces and 'stop' on ath interfaces.

*stop* <interface>

Disable monitor mode and go back to managed mode (except for madwifi-ng where it kills the ath VAP).

*check* [kill]

List all possible programs that could interfere with the wireless card. If 'kill' is specified, it will try to kill all of them.

*--verbose*

This flag must precede start/stop/check and can be combined with other parameters or used alone. This flag will increase the verbosity to provide additional useful information which may not be needed for normal operation.

*--debug*

This flag must precede start/stop/check and can be combined with other parameters or used alone. This flag will increase the verbosity to debug level to assist in troubleshooting errors in airmon-ng. Use this flag when opening a bug, but only use --verbose when requesting support in irc.

*--elite*

**WARNING: DO NOT USE:** This flag must precede start or stop and will prevent airmon-ng from removing interfaces. **WARNING:** Use of this flag will immediately disqualify receiving any support from the aircrack-ng team, due to the fact that this behavior is known to be broken. **WARNING!**

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**airodump-ng(8)**  
**airodump-ng-oui-update(8)**  
**airserv-ng(8)**  
**airtun-ng(8)**  
**besside-ng(8)**  
**easside-ng(8)**  
**tkiptun-ng(8)**  
**wesside-ng(8)**

**aircrack-ng(1)**  
**airdecap-ng(1)**  
**airdecloak-ng(1)**  
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