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MacOS Sierra: Enable/Disable System Integrity Protection

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When trying to perform certain operations in MacOS Sierra, you may receive a message that states **“Operation not permitted while System Integrity Protection is engaged.”**

System Integrity Protection is enabled by default to not allow root access to change certain resources. You can turn System Integrity Protection on or off using these steps.

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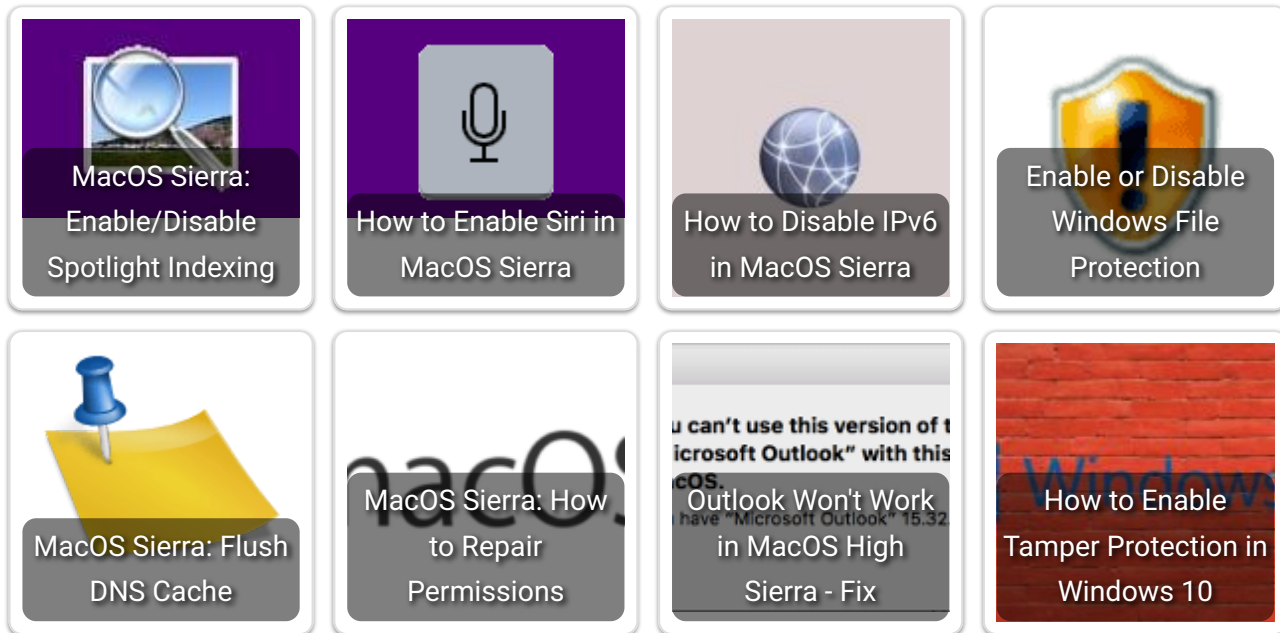
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1. From the Apple menu, choose **“Restart...”** > **“Restart”**.
2. Simultaneously press and hold the **“Command”** and **“R”** buttons. This will start you in Recovery Mode.
3. Select **“Utilities”** > **“Terminal”**.
4. Type one of the following, then press **“Enter”**:
 - Disable System Integrity Protection: **csrutil disable**



We recommend you keep System Integrity Protection enabled for the best protection against viruses and malicious software.

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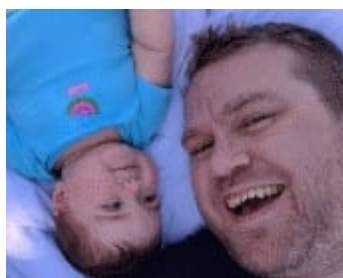
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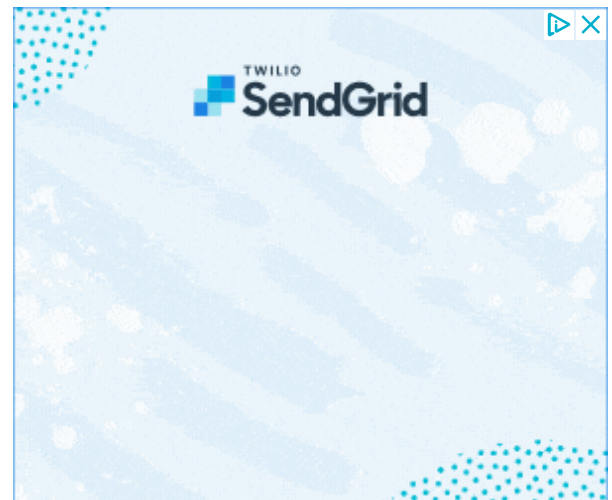
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