

docker service update

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Description

Update a service

API 1.24+ (<https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.24/>) The client and daemon API must both be at least 1.24 (<https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.24/>) to use this command. Use the `docker version` command on the client to check your client and daemon API versions.

Swarm This command works with the Swarm orchestrator.

Usage

```
docker service update [OPTIONS] SERVICE
```

Options

Name, shorthand	Default	Description
<code>--args</code>		Service command args
<code>--config-add</code>		API 1.30+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.30/) Add or update a config file on a service
<code>--config-rm</code>		API 1.30+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.30/) Remove a configuration file
<code>--constraint-add</code>		Add or update a placement constraint
<code>--constraint-rm</code>		Remove a constraint
<code>--container-label-add</code>		Add or update a container label
<code>--container-label-rm</code>		Remove a container label by its key

Name, shorthand	Default	Description
<code>--credential-spec</code>		<p>API 1.29+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.29/) Credential spec for managed service account (Windows only)</p>
<code>--detach , -d</code>		<p>API 1.29+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.29/) Exit immediately instead of waiting for the service to converge</p>
<code>--dns-add</code>		<p>API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Add or update a custom DNS server</p>
<code>--dns-option-add</code>		<p>API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Add or update a DNS option</p>
<code>--dns-option-rm</code>		<p>API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Remove a DNS option</p>
<code>--dns-rm</code>		<p>API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Remove a custom DNS server</p>
<code>--dns-search-add</code>		<p>API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Add or update a custom DNS search domain</p>
<code>--dns-search-rm</code>		<p>API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Remove a DNS search domain</p>
<code>--endpoint-mode</code>		Endpoint mode (vip or dnsrr)
<code>--entrypoint</code>		Overwrite the default ENTRYPOINT of the image
<code>--env-add</code>		Add or update an environment variable
<code>--env-rm</code>		Remove an environment variable
<code>--force</code>		<p>API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Force update even if no changes require it</p>
<code>--generic-resource-add</code>		Add a Generic resource

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<code>--generic-resource-rm</code>		Remove a Generic resource
<code>--group-add</code>		<p>API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Add an additional supplementary user group to the container</p>
<code>--group-rm</code>		<p>API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Remove a previously added supplementary user group from the container</p>
<code>--health-cmd</code>		<p>API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Command to run to check health</p>
<code>--health-interval</code>		<p>API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Time between running the check (ms s m h)</p>
<code>--health-retries</code>		<p>API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Consecutive failures needed to report unhealthy</p>
<code>--health-start-period</code>		<p>API 1.29+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.29/) Start period for the container to initialize before counting retries towards unstable (ms s m h)</p>
<code>--health-timeout</code>		<p>API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Maximum time to allow one check to run (ms s m h)</p>
<code>--host-add</code>		<p>API 1.32+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.32/) Add a custom host-to-IP mapping (host:ip)</p>
<code>--host-rm</code>		<p>API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Remove a custom host-to-IP mapping (host:ip)</p>
<code>--hostname</code>		<p>API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Container hostname</p>

Name, shorthand	Default	Description
<code>--image</code>		Service image tag
<code>--isolation</code>		API 1.35+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.35/) Service container isolation mode
<code>--label-add</code>		Add or update a service label
<code>--label-rm</code>		Remove a label by its key
<code>--limit-cpu</code>		Limit CPUs
<code>--limit-memory</code>		Limit Memory
<code>--log-driver</code>		Logging driver for service
<code>--log-opt</code>		Logging driver options
<code>--mount-add</code>		Add or update a mount on a service
<code>--mount-rm</code>		Remove a mount by its target path
<code>--network-add</code>		API 1.29+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.29/) Add a network
<code>--network-rm</code>		API 1.29+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.29/) Remove a network
<code>--no-healthcheck</code>		API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Disable any container-specified HEALTHCHECK
<code>--no-resolve-image</code>		API 1.30+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.30/) Do not query the registry to resolve image digest and supported platforms
<code>--placement-pref-add</code>		API 1.28+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.28/) Add a placement preference
<code>--placement-pref-rm</code>		API 1.28+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.28/) Remove a placement preference
<code>--publish-add</code>		Add or update a published port

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<code>--publish-rm</code>		Remove a published port by its target port
<code>--quiet , -q</code>		Suppress progress output
<code>--read-only</code>		API 1.28+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.28/) Mount the container's root filesystem as read only
<code>--replicas</code>		Number of tasks
<code>--reserve-cpu</code>		Reserve CPUs
<code>--reserve-memory</code>		Reserve Memory
<code>--restart-condition</code>		Restart when condition is met ("none" "on-failure" "any")
<code>--restart-delay</code>		Delay between restart attempts (ns us ms s m h)
<code>--restart-max-attempts</code>		Maximum number of restarts before giving up
<code>--restart-window</code>		Window used to evaluate the restart policy (ns us ms s m h)
<code>--rollback</code>		API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Rollback to previous specification
<code>--rollback-delay</code>		API 1.28+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.28/) Delay between task rollbacks (ns us ms s m h)
<code>--rollback-failure-action</code>		API 1.28+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.28/) Action on rollback failure ("pause" "continue")
<code>--rollback-max-failure-ratio</code>		API 1.28+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.28/) Failure rate to tolerate during a rollback
<code>--rollback-monitor</code>		API 1.28+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.28/) Duration after each task rollback to monitor for failure (ns us ms s m h)

Name, shorthand	Default	Description
<code>--rollback-order</code>		API 1.29+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.29/) Rollback order ("start-first" "stop-first")
<code>--rollback-parallelism</code>		API 1.28+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.28/) Maximum number of tasks rolled back simultaneously (0 to roll back all at once)
<code>--secret-add</code>		API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Add or update a secret on a service
<code>--secret-rm</code>		API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Remove a secret
<code>--stop-grace-period</code>		Time to wait before force killing a container (ns us ms s m h)
<code>--stop-signal</code>		API 1.28+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.28/) Signal to stop the container
<code>--tty , -t</code>		API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Allocate a pseudo-TTY
<code>--update-delay</code>		Delay between updates (ns us ms s m h)
<code>--update-failure-action</code>		Action on update failure ("pause" "continue" "rollback")
<code>--update-max-failure-ratio</code>		API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Failure rate to tolerate during an update
<code>--update-monitor</code>		API 1.25+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.25/) Duration after each task update to monitor for failure (ns us ms s m h)
<code>--update-order</code>		API 1.29+ (https://docs.docker.com/engine/api/v1.29/) Update order ("start-first" "stop-first")
<code>--update-parallelism</code>		Maximum number of tasks updated simultaneously (0 to update all at once)

Name, shorthand	Default	Description
<code>--user</code> , <code>-u</code>		Username or UID (format: <name uid>[:<group gid>])
<code>--with-registry-auth</code>		Send registry authentication details to swarm agents
<code>--workdir</code> , <code>-w</code>		Working directory inside the container

Parent command

Command	Description
<code>docker service</code> (https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service)	Manage services

Related commands

Command	Description
<code>docker service create</code> (https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_create/)	Create a new service
<code>docker service inspect</code> (https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_inspect/)	Display detailed information on one or more services
<code>docker service logs</code> (https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_logs/)	Fetch the logs of a service or task
<code>docker service ls</code> (https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_ls/)	List services
<code>docker service ps</code> (https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_ps/)	List the tasks of one or more services
<code>docker service rm</code> (https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_rm/)	Remove one or more services

Command	Description
<code>docker service rollback</code> (https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_rollback/)	Revert changes to a service's configuration
<code>docker service scale</code> (https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_scale/)	Scale one or multiple replicated services
<code>docker service update</code> (https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_update/)	Update a service

Extended description

Updates a service as described by the specified parameters. This command has to be run targeting a manager node. The parameters are the same as

`docker service create`

(https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_create/). Please look at the description there for further information.

Normally, updating a service will only cause the service's tasks to be replaced with new ones if a change to the service requires recreating the tasks for it to take effect. For example, only changing the `--update-parallelism` setting will not recreate the tasks, because the individual tasks are not affected by this setting. However, the `--force` flag will cause the tasks to be recreated anyway. This can be used to perform a rolling restart without any changes to the service parameters.

Examples

Update a service

```
$ docker service update --limit-cpu 2 redis
```

Perform a rolling restart with no parameter changes

```
$ docker service update --force --update-parallelism 1 --update-delay 30s redi
```



In this example, the `--force` flag causes the service's tasks to be shut down and replaced with new ones even though none of the other parameters would normally cause that to happen. The `--update-parallelism 1` setting ensures that only one task is replaced at a time (this is the default behavior). The `--update-delay 30s` setting introduces a 30 second delay between tasks, so that the rolling restart happens gradually.

Add or remove mounts

Use the `--mount-add` or `--mount-rm` options add or remove a service's bind mounts or volumes.

The following example creates a service which mounts the `test-data` volume to `/somewhere`. The next step updates the service to also mount the `other-volume` volume to `/somewhere-else` volume, The last step unmounts the `/somewhere` mount point, effectively removing the `test-data` volume. Each command returns the service name.

- The `--mount-add` flag takes the same parameters as the `--mount` flag on `service create`. Refer to the volumes and bind mounts (https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_create/#volumes-and-bind-mounts-mount) section in the `service create` reference for details.
- The `--mount-rm` flag takes the `target` path of the mount.

```
$ docker service create \
  --name=myservice \
  --mount \
    type=volume,source=test-data,target=/somewhere \
  nginx:alpine \
  myservice

myservice

$ docker service update \
  --mount-add \
    type=volume,source=other-volume,target=/somewhere-else \
  myservice

myservice

$ docker service update --mount-rm /somewhere myservice

myservice
```

Add or remove published service ports

Use the `--publish-add` or `--publish-rm` flags to add or remove a published port for a service. You can use the short or long syntax discussed in the [docker service create](https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_create/#publish-service-ports-externally-to-the-swarm) (https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_create/#publish-service-ports-externally-to-the-swarm) reference.

The following example adds a published service port to an existing service.

```
$ docker service update \  
  --publish-add published=8080,target=80 \  
  myservice
```

Add or remove network

Use the `--network-add` or `--network-rm` flags to add or remove a network for a service. You can use the short or long syntax discussed in the [docker service create](https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_create/#attach-a-service-to-an-existing-network-network) (https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_create/#attach-a-service-to-an-existing-network-network) reference.

The following example adds a new alias name to an existing service already connected to network my-network:

```
$ docker service update \  
  --network-rm my-network \  
  --network-add name=my-network,alias=web1 \  
  myservice
```

Roll back to the previous version of a service

Use the `--rollback` option to roll back to the previous version of the service.

This will revert the service to the configuration that was in place before the most recent `docker service update` command.

The following example updates the number of replicas for the service from 4 to 5, and then rolls back to the previous configuration.

```
$ docker service update --replicas=5 web  
  
web  
  
$ docker service ls  
  
ID                NAME  MODE           REPLICAS  IMAGE  
80bvrzp6vxf3     web   replicated     0/5       nginx:alpine
```

Roll back the `web` service...

```
$ docker service update --rollback web

web

$ docker service ls
```

ID	NAME	MODE	REPLICAS	IMAGE
80bvrzp6vxf3	web	replicated	0/4	nginx:alpine

Other options can be combined with `--rollback` as well, for example, `--update-delay 0s` to execute the rollback without a delay between tasks:

```
$ docker service update \
  --rollback \
  --update-delay 0s
web

web
```

Services can also be set up to roll back to the previous version automatically when an update fails. To set up a service for automatic rollback, use

`--update-failure-action=rollback`. A rollback will be triggered if the fraction of the tasks which failed to update successfully exceeds the value given with `--update-max-failure-ratio`.

The rate, parallelism, and other parameters of a rollback operation are determined by the values passed with the following flags:

- `--rollback-delay`
- `--rollback-failure-action`
- `--rollback-max-failure-ratio`
- `--rollback-monitor`
- `--rollback-parallelism`

For example, a service set up with `--update-parallelism 1 --rollback-parallelism 3` will update one task at a time during a normal update, but during a rollback, 3 tasks at a time will get rolled back. These rollback parameters are respected both during automatic rollbacks and for rollbacks initiated manually using `--rollback`.

Add or remove secrets

Use the `--secret-add` or `--secret-rm` options add or remove a service's secrets.

The following example adds a secret named `ssh-2` and removes `ssh-1`:

```
$ docker service update \  
  --secret-add source=ssh-2,target=ssh-2 \  
  --secret-rm ssh-1 \  
  myservice
```

Update services using templates

Some flags of `service update` support the use of templating. See `service create` (https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_create/#templating) for the reference.

Specify isolation mode (Windows)

`service update` supports the same `--isolation` flag as `service create`. See `service create` (https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/service_create/) for the reference.