

# Cloudflared Tunnel Setup Guide (FreeBSD)

## Step 1: Install Cloudflared

```
pkg update
pkg install cloudflared
```

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## Step 2: Login and Create Tunnel

```
cloudflared login
cloudflared tunnel create <Tunnel name>
```

After successful login, Cloudflared will:

- Automatically create a **certificate file** (cert.pem)
- Generate a **tunnel JSON credentials file**

Both will be stored in:

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## Step 3: Create Configuration File

Create and edit the config file to following directories :

```
cd .cloudflared
```

```
create config.yml
```

```
nano config.yml
```

Paste the following content (replace placeholders accordingly):

```
tunnel: <Tunnel Name>
credentials-file: /root/.cloudflared/<Tunnel ID>.json
origincert: /root/.cloudflared/cert.pem
```

```
ingress:
- hostname: domain.com
  service: http://localhost:80
- service: http_status:404
```

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## Step 4: Setup DNS Route

```
cloudflared tunnel route dns <Tunnelid> domain.com
```

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## Step 5: Manual Run (Test Tunnel)

You can manually test the tunnel with:

```
cloudflared --config /root/.cloudflared/config.yml tunnel run testtunnel
```

If it works properly, proceed to the auto-start configuration.

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## Step 6: Create Service Script

Go to the `rc.d` directory:

```
cd /usr/local/etc/rc.d
nano cloudflared
```

Paste the following full script:

```
#!/bin/sh
#
# PROVIDE: cloudflared
# REQUIRE: LOGIN
# KEYWORD: shutdown

. /etc/rc.subr

name="cloudflared"
rcvar="${name}_enable"

# Default values
: ${cloudflared_enable:="NO"}
: ${cloudflared_user:="root"}           # run as root
: ${cloudflared_bin:="/usr/local/bin/cloudflared"}
: ${cloudflared_config:="/root/.cloudflared/config.yml"} # point to your config
# (adjust if needed)
: ${cloudflared_pidfile:="/var/run/cloudflared/cloudflared.pid"}
: ${cloudflared_logfile:="/var/log/cloudflared.log"}

start_precmd()
{
    # Check binary and config
    [ -x "${cloudflared_bin}" ] || { echo "cloudflared binary not found"; return 1; }
    [ -f "${cloudflared_config}" ] || { echo "cloudflared config not found: $cloudflared_config"; return 1; }
```

```

# Ensure directories exist (owned by root)
mkdir -p /var/run/cloudflared
chown root:wheel /var/run/cloudflared
chmod 0755 /var/run/cloudflared

mkdir -p $(dirname "${cloudflared_logfile}")
touch "${cloudflared_logfile}"
chown root:wheel "${cloudflared_logfile}"
chmod 0640 "${cloudflared_logfile}"
}

start_cmd="${name}_start"
stop_cmd="${name}_stop"
status_cmd="${name}_status"

cloudflared_start()
{
    start_precmd || return 1
    echo "Starting cloudflared in background ..."
    /usr/sbin/daemon -f -u ${cloudflared_user} \
        -p ${cloudflared_pidfile} \
        -o ${cloudflared_logfile} \
        ${cloudflared_bin} --config ${cloudflared_config} tunnel run <Tunnel Name>
}

cloudflared_stop()
{
    if [ -f "${cloudflared_pidfile}" ]; then
        echo "Stopping cloudflared..."
        kill "$(cat ${cloudflared_pidfile})" 2>/dev/null || true
        rm -f "${cloudflared_pidfile}"
    else
        echo "cloudflared not running"
    fi
}

cloudflared_status()
{
    if [ -f "${cloudflared_pidfile}" ]; then
        echo "cloudflared running, PID=$(cat ${cloudflared_pidfile})"
    else
        echo "cloudflared not running"
    fi
}

load_rc_config "$name"
run_rc_command "$1"

```

Save and exit (CTRL + O, then CTRL + X).

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## Step 7: Enable and Start Service

Now execute these commands one by one:

```
sysrc cloudflared_enable="YES"  
service cloudflared start
```

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## Step 8: Manage the Service

- **Start Cloudflared:**

```
service cloudflared start
```

- **Stop Cloudflared:**

```
service cloudflared stop
```

- **Check Status:**

```
service cloudflared status
```

- **View Live http log:**

```
cloudflared tail <tunnel id>
```

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