



Web interfaces

Dashboard

The Gateway dashboard is the browser Control UI served at / by default (override with `gateway.controlUi.basePath`).

Quick open (local Gateway):

<http://127.0.0.1:18789/> (or <http://localhost:18789/>)

Key references:

[Control UI](#) for usage and UI capabilities.

[Tailscale](#) for Serve/Funnel automation.

[Web surfaces](#) for bind modes and security notes.

Authentication is enforced at the WebSocket handshake via `connect.params.auth` (token or password). See `gateway.auth` in [Gateway configuration](#).

Security note: the Control UI is an **admin surface** (chat, config, exec approvals). Do not expose it publicly. The UI stores the token in `localStorage` after first load. Prefer localhost, Tailscale Serve, or an SSH tunnel.

Fast path (recommended)

After onboarding, the CLI auto-opens the dashboard and prints a clean (non-tokenized) link.



Re-open anytime: `openclaw dashboard` (copies link, opens browser if possible, shows SSH hint if headless).

If the UI prompts for auth, paste the token from `gateway.auth.token` (or `OPENCLAW_GATEWAY_TOKEN`) into Control UI settings.

Token basics (local vs remote)

Localhost: open `http://127.0.0.1:18789/`.

Token source: `gateway.auth.token` (or `OPENCLAW_GATEWAY_TOKEN`); the UI stores a copy in localStorage after you connect.

Not localhost: use Tailscale Serve (tokenless if `gateway.auth.allowTailscale: true`), tailnet bind with a token, or an SSH tunnel. See [Web surfaces](#).

If you see “unauthorized” / 1008

Ensure the gateway is reachable (local: `openclaw status`; remote: SSH tunnel `ssh -N -L 18789:127.0.0.1:18789 user@host` then open `http://127.0.0.1:18789/`).

Retrieve the token from the gateway host: `openclaw config get gateway.auth.token` (or generate one: `openclaw doctor --generate-gateway-token`).

In the dashboard settings, paste the token into the auth field, then connect.



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