CLI commands

plugins

Manage Gateway plugins/extensions (loaded in-process).

Related:

Plugin system: **Plugins**

Plugin manifest + schema: **Plugin manifest**

Security hardening: **Security**

Commands

```
openclaw plugins list
openclaw plugins info <id>
openclaw plugins enable <id>
openclaw plugins disable <id>
openclaw plugins uninstall <id>
openclaw plugins doctor
openclaw plugins update <id>
openclaw plugins update --all
```

Bundled plugins ship with OpenClaw but start disabled. Use `plugins enable` to activate them.

All plugins must ship a `openclaw.plugin.json` file with an inline JSON Schema (`configSchema` , even if empty). Missing/invalid manifests or schemas prevent the plugin from loading and fail config validation.

Install

```
openclaw plugins install <path-or-spec>
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```

Security note: treat plugin installs like running code. Prefer pinned versions.

Npm specs are **registry-only** (package name + optional version/tag). Git/URL/file specs are rejected. Dependency installs run with `--ignore-scripts` for safety.

Supported archives: `.zip`, `.tgz`, `.tar.gz`, `.tar`.

Use `--link` to avoid copying a local directory (adds to `plugins.load.paths`):

```
openclaw plugins install -l ./my-plugin
```

Uninstall

```
openclaw plugins uninstall <id>
openclaw plugins uninstall <id> --dry-run
openclaw plugins uninstall <id> --keep-files
```

`uninstall` removes plugin records from `plugins.entries`, `plugins.installs`, the plugin allowlist, and linked `plugins.load.paths` entries when applicable. For active memory plugins, the memory slot resets to `memory-core`.

By default, uninstall also removes the plugin install directory under the active state dir extensions root (`$OPENCLAW_STATE_DIR/extensions/<id>`). Use `--keep-files` to keep files on disk.

`--keep-config` is supported as a deprecated alias for `--keep-files`.

Update ›

```
openclaw plugins update <id>
openclaw plugins update --all
openclaw plugins update <id> --dry-run
```

Updates only apply to plugins installed from npm (tracked in `plugins.installs`).

‹ `pairing`   `reset` ›

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