

- GPG tool

Option	Description
--generate-key	Generate key
--encrypt	Encrypt file
--decrypt	Decrypt file
--list-keys	List keys on GPG
--import / --export	Import or export keys
--full-generate-key	Generate key (more details)
--gen-revoke	Generate certificate to revoke key
--keyserver	Interact with public keyserver
--search-keys	Search keys on public keyserver
--fingerprint	Fingerprint of certificate / key
--recipient	Email associated

- GPG tool – Generate key

```
$ gpg --generate-key
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Note: Use "gpg --full-generate-key" for a full featured key generation dialog.

GnuPG needs to construct a user ID to identify your key.

Real name: pablogonzalezpe
Email address: pablo@mypublicinbox.com
You selected this USER-ID:
    "pablogonzalezpe <pablo@mypublicinbox.com>"

Change (N)ame, (E)mail, or (O)kay/(Q)uit? o
We need to generate a lot of random bytes. It is a good idea to perform
some other action (type on the keyboard, move the mouse, utilize the
disks) during the prime generation; this gives the random number
generator a better chance to gain enough entropy.
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gpg: directory '/home/kali/.gnupg/openpgp-revocs.d' created
gpg: revocation certificate stored as '/home/kali/.gnupg/openpgp-revocs.d/B6CB7A5DAC39F93A0F45818AA7287AA54BF91913.rev'
public and secret key created and signed.

pub  rsa3072 2024-04-11 [SC] [expires: 2026-04-11]
     B6CB7A5DAC39F93A0F45818AA7287AA54BF91913
uid                pablogonzalezpe <pablo@mypublicinbox.com>
sub  rsa3072 2024-04-11 [E] [expires: 2026-04-11]
```

- GPG tool – List keys

```
└─$ gpg --list-keys
gpg: checking the trustdb
gpg: marginals needed: 3 completes needed: 1 trust model: pgp
gpg: depth: 0 valid: 1 signed: 0 trust: 0-, 0q, 0n, 0m, 0f, 1u
gpg: next trustdb check due at 2026-04-11
/home/kali/.gnupg/pubring.kbx
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pub  rsa3072 2024-04-11 [SC] [expires: 2026-04-11]
     B6CB7A5DAC39F93A0F45818AA7287AA54BF91913
uid          [ultimate] pablogonzalezpe <pablo@mypublicinbox.com>
sub  rsa3072 2024-04-11 [E] [expires: 2026-04-11]
```

- GPG tool – Revoke Certificate

```
└─$ gpg --output /tmp/myrevocation.crt --gen-revoke pablo@mypublicinbox.com

sec  rsa3072/A7287AA54BF91913 2024-04-11 pablogonzalezpe <pablo@mypublicinbox.com>

Create a revocation certificate for this key? (y/N) y
Please select the reason for the revocation:
  0 = No reason specified
  1 = Key has been compromised
  2 = Key is superseded
  3 = Key is no longer used
  Q = Cancel
(Probably you want to select 1 here)
Your decision? 1
Enter an optional description; end it with an empty line:
>
Reason for revocation: Key has been compromised
(No description given)
Is this okay? (y/N) y
ASCII armored output forced.
Revocation certificate created.
```

- GPG tool – Import / export and search keys
- `$> gpg --import <file.key>`
- `$> gpg --keyserver <domain keyserver> --search-keys <email>`
- `$> gpg --output <file.key> --armor --export <email>`

```

$ gpg --output /tmp/exported.key --armor --export pablo@mypublicinbox.com

(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ ls -lh /tmp/exported.key
-rw-r--r-- 1 kali kali 2.5K Apr 11 22:35 /tmp/exported.key

(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ file /tmp/exported.key
/tmp/exported.key: PGP public key block Public-Key (old)

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- `$> gpg --output <file.key> --armor --export <email>`
- `$> gpg --send-keys --keyserver <domain keyserver> <fingerprint>`
  - `$> gpg --fingerprint <email>`

- GPG tool – encrypt / decrypt
- `$> gpg --encrypt --armor --recipient <email> <file>`
  - Output: file.asc
- `$> gpg --encrypt --recipient <email> <file>`
  - Output: file.gpg (file illegible)
- `$> gpg --decrypt > <file>`
  - Output: plaintext file

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(kali㉿kali)-[/tmp]
$ gpg --output secrets.sig --sign secrets.txt

(kali㉿kali)-[/tmp]
$ gpg --verify secrets.sig
gpg: Signature made Thu 11 Apr 2024 10:52:49 PM +09
gpg:                using RSA key B6CB7A5DAC39F93A0F45818AA7287AA54BF91913
gpg: Good signature from "pablogonzalezpe <pablo@mypublicinbox.com>" [ultimate]
• $> gpg --encrypt --recipient <email> <file>
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(kali㉿kali)-[/tmp]
$ gpg --output secrets.gpg --encrypt --recipient pablo@mypublicinbox.com secrets.txt

(kali㉿kali)-[/tmp]
$ gpg --output new_secrets.txt --decrypt secrets.gpg
gpg: encrypted with 3072-bit RSA key, ID 431280AC41D1DBA2, created 2024-04-11
      "pablogonzalezpe <pablo@mypublicinbox.com>"
```