

# Installation of Tomcat on AWS ec2 linux & integration with Jenkins

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This blog will deal with the Installation of Tomcat on AWS ec2 linux & integration with Jenkins will furthermore be demonstrated by deploying a simple Java WAR package on to the Tomcat server.

## Pre-requisite:

Click on the following links to get into the details of each pre-requisite lab.

1. AWS account and ec2 Linux (Amazon Linux AMI) installed.
2. Java installation on AWS ec2 linux instance.
3. Jenkins installation on AWS ec2 linux instance.

## Installation of Tomcat on AWS ec2 linux instance

Following are the step-by-step guide to install Tomcat on AWS ec2 linux instance:

### Step 1: Download Tomcat package

Go to browser → <https://tomcat.apache.org/download-90.cgi> (to download tomcat9) → Copy **tar.gz** from core section.

#### 9.0.10

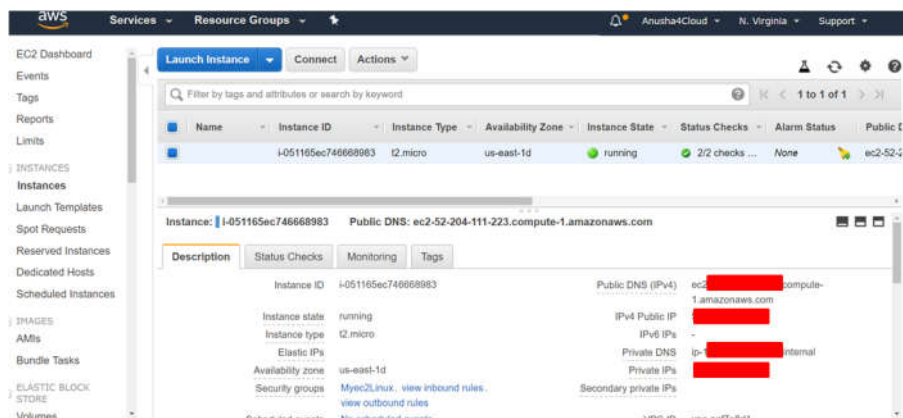
Please see the [README](#) file for packaging information. It explains what every distribution contains.

#### Binary Distributions

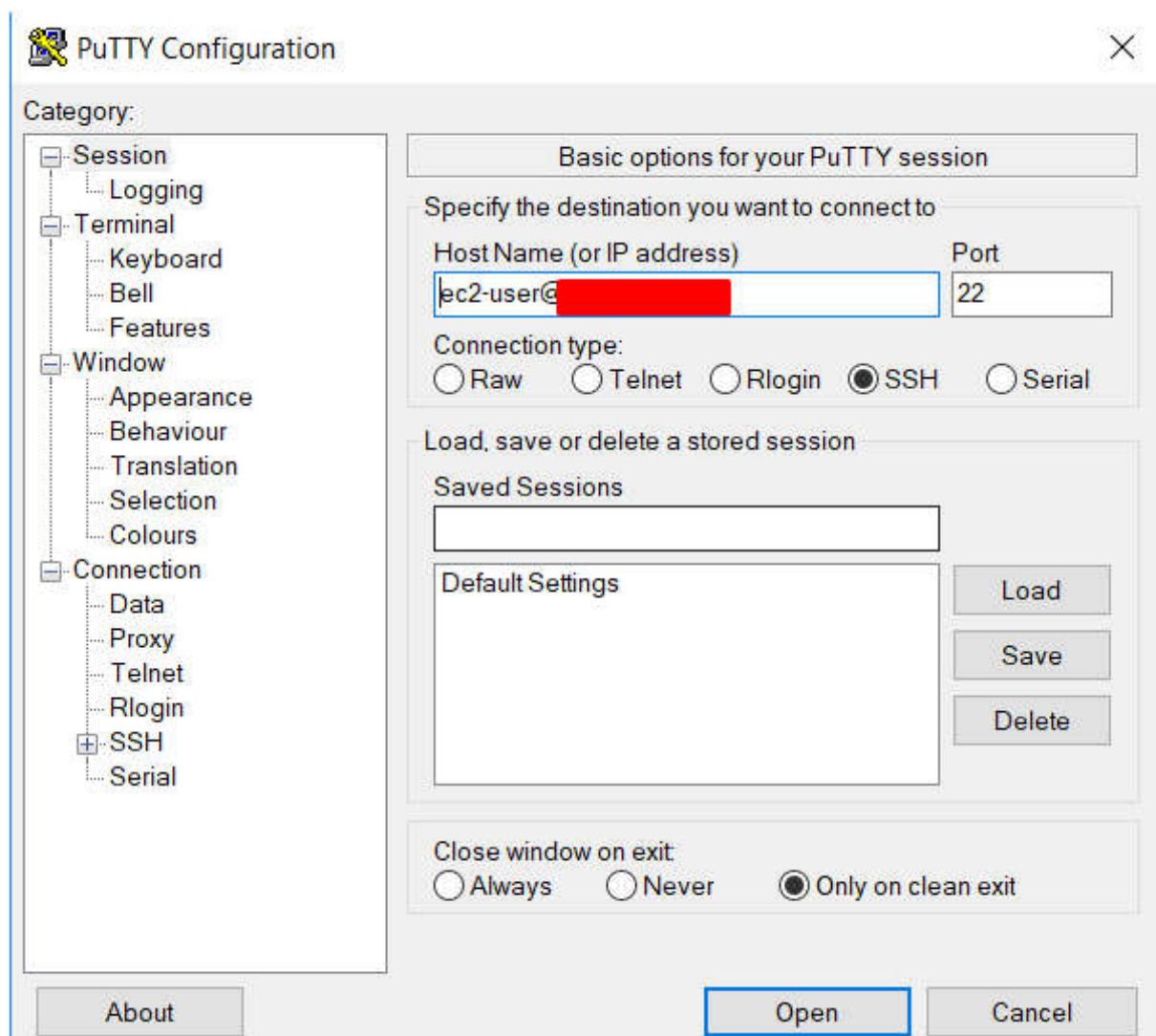
- Core:
  - [zip](#) ([pgp](#), [sha1](#), [sha512](#))
  - [tar.gz](#) ([pgp](#), [sha1](#), [sha512](#))
  - [32-bit Windows zip](#) ([pgp](#), [sha1](#), [sha512](#))
  - [64-bit Windows zip](#) ([pgp](#), [sha1](#), [sha512](#))
  - [32-bit/64-bit Windows Service Installer](#) ([pgp](#), [sha1](#), [sha512](#))
- Full documentation:
  - [tar.gz](#) ([pgp](#), [sha1](#), [sha512](#))
- Deployer:
  - [zip](#) ([pgp](#), [sha1](#), [sha512](#))
  - [tar.gz](#) ([pgp](#), [sha1](#), [sha512](#))

*Apache Tomcat download page*

### Step 2: Log in to AWS ec2 instance & load putty session (for window users)



AWS ec2 linux instance



Loading putty session

### Step 3: Install & unzip the tar.gz folder

Go to the terminal & type the following commands:

```
[ec2-user@ip-xxx-xx-xx-xx] sudo -i
[root@ip-xxx-xx-xx-xx]$ wget <paste the tar.gz address copied in step1>
```

Now Tomcat has been downloaded, check with “ls” command. Further Unzip the folder:

```
[root@ip-xxx-xx-xx-xx]$ tar -zxvf apache-tomcat-9.0.10.tar.gz
```

\*In case wget is not installed then firstly employ this step:

```
[root@ip-xxx-xx-xx-xx]$ yum install wget -y
```

#### Step 4: Start Tomcat service

Under Apache Tomcat folder, there exists two files, namely; startup.sh and shutdown.sh

- Browse to the bin folder

```
[root@ip-xxx-xx-xx-xx apache-tomcat-9.0.10]# cd bin
[root@ip-xxx-xx-xx-xx bin]# ls
bootstrap.jar          configtest.sh          startup.sh
catalina.bat           daemon.sh              tomcat-juli.jar
catalina.sh            digest.bat             tomcat-native.tar.gz
catalina-tasks.xml     digest.sh              tool-wrapper.bat
ciphers.bat            setclasspath.bat      tool-wrapper.sh
ciphers.sh             setclasspath.sh        version.bat
commons-daemon.jar     shutdown.bat           version.sh
commons-daemon-native.tar.gz shutdown.sh
configtest.bat         startup.bat
```

```
[root@ip-xxx-xx-xx-xx bin]$ ls -ltr
//to check the status of the startup services
```

```
-rw-r----- 1 root root 408967 Jun 20 17:32 tomcat-native.tar.gz
-rwxr-x--- 1 root root 1904 Jun 20 17:32 startup.sh
-rwxr-x--- 1 root root 1902 Jun 20 17:32 shutdown.sh
-rwxr-x--- 1 root root 3680 Jun 20 17:32 setclasspath.sh
-rwxr-x--- 1 root root 1965 Jun 20 17:32 digest.sh
-rwxr-x--- 1 root root 8509 Jun 20 17:32 daemon.sh
-rwxr-x--- 1 root root 1922 Jun 20 17:32 configtest.sh
-rw-r----- 1 root root 207125 Jun 20 17:32 commons-daemon-native.tar.gz
-rw-r----- 1 root root 1997 Jun 20 17:32 ciphers.sh
-rwxr-x--- 1 root root 23463 Jun 20 17:32 catalina.sh
-rw-r----- 1 root root 1664 Jun 20 17:34 catalina-tasks.xml
```

\*No full permission to execute startup & shutdown services

```
[root@ip-xxx-xx-xx-xx bin]$ chmod +x startup.sh
```

```
[root@ip-xxx-xx-xx-xx bin]$ chmod +x shutdown.sh
```

```
//For all users to execute this script
```

```
//Now lets start tomcat service
```

```
[root@ip-xxx-xx-xx-xx bin]$ ./startup.sh
```

```
root@ip- [redacted] ~]# cd apache-tomcat-9.0.10
root@ip- [redacted] apache-tomcat-9.0.10]# cd bin
root@ip- [redacted] bin]# ./startup.sh
Using CATALINA_BASE:   /root/apache-tomcat-9.0.10
Using CATALINA_HOME:   /root/apache-tomcat-9.0.10
Using CATALINA_TMPDIR: /root/apache-tomcat-9.0.10/temp
Using JRE_HOME:        /usr/java/latest
Using CLASSPATH:       /root/apache-tomcat-9.0.10/bin/bootstrap.jar:/root/apache-
tomcat-9.0.10/bin/tomcat-juli.jar
Tomcat started.
root@ip- [redacted] bin]#
```

### Step 5: Change port number from 8080 to 8090 (as Our Jenkins on AWS is also listening to the port 8080)

Browse to conf sub-directory under Tomcat directory and open server.xml file for editing using 'nano' command (vi command can also be used).

```
root@ip- [redacted] apache-tomcat-9.0.10]# cd conf
root@ip- [redacted] conf]# ls
catalina               context.xml            logging.properties   tomcat-users.xsd
catalina.policy        jaspic-providers.xml  server.xml            web.xml
catalina.properties   jaspic-providers.xsd  tomcat-users.xml
root@ip-172-31-82-19 conf]#
```

```
[root@ip-xxx-xx-xx-xx conf]$ nano server.xml
```



```
GNU nano 2.5.3 File: server.xml

<!-- A "Connector" represents an endpoint by which requests are received
and responses are returned. Documentation at :
Java HTTP Connector: /docs/config/http.html
Java AJP  Connector: /docs/config/ajp.html
APR (HTTP/AJP) Connector: /docs/apr.html
Define a non-SSL/TLS HTTP/1.1 Connector on port 8080
-->
<Connector port="8090" protocol="HTTP/1.1"
           connectionTimeout="20000"
           redirectPort="8443" />
<!-- A "Connector" using the shared thread pool-->
<!--
<Connector executor="tomcatThreadPool"
           port="8080" protocol="HTTP/1.1"
           connectionTimeout="20000"
           redirectPort="8443" />
-->
<!-- Define a SSL/TLS HTTP/1.1 Connector on port 8443
```

server.xml

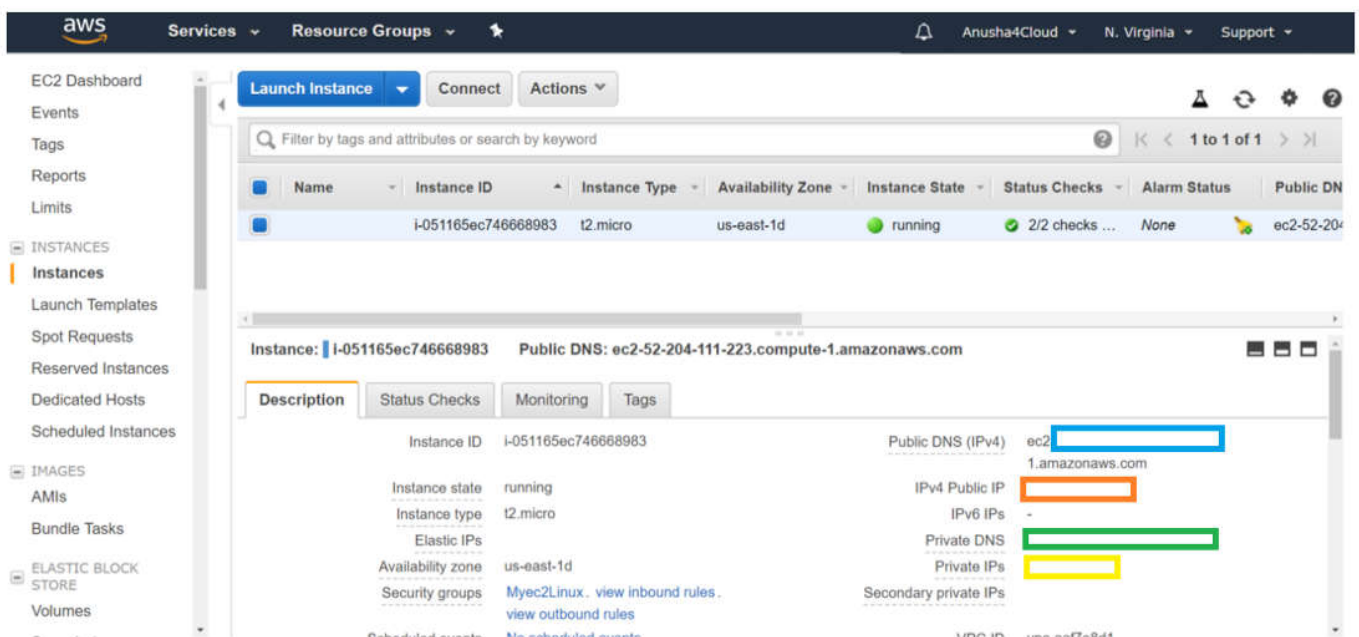
Restart the tomcat service (browse to the bin folder)

```
[root@ip-xxx-xx-xx-xx bin]$ ./shutdown.sh
```

```
[root@ip-xxx-xx-xx-xx conf]$ ./startup.sh
```

## Step 7. Allow port no 8090 under security group in AWS

- Go to Your AWS account → ec2 linux instance



- Got to the related security group (in this case: Myec2Linux)

Create Security Group Actions

Group ID : sg-0b5ba99f1bd3b0ecc Add filter

Name	Group ID	Group Name	VPC ID	Description
	sg-0b5ba99f1bd3b0ecc	Myec2Linux	vpc-aaf7e8d1	Myec2Linux

Security Group: sg-0b5ba99f1bd3b0ecc

Description Inbound Outbound Tags

Group name Myec2Linux Group description Myec2Linux  
Group ID sg-0b5ba99f1bd3b0ecc VPC ID vpc-aaf7e8d1

- Click Inbound Rules

Description Inbound Outbound Tags

Edit

Type	Protocol	Port Range	Source	Description
HTTP	TCP	80	0.0.0.0/0	
HTTP	TCP	80	::/0	

- Edit Inbound rules

Edit inbound rules

Type	Protocol	Port Range	Source	Description
HTTP	TCP	80	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop
HTTP	TCP	80	Custom ::/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop
Custom TCP f	TCP	8080	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop
SSH	TCP	22	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop
HTTPS	TCP	443	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop

Add Rule

NOTE: Any edits made on existing rules will result in the edited rule being deleted and a new rule created with the new details. This will cause traffic that depends on that rule to be dropped for a very brief period of time until the new rule can be created.

Cancel Save

- Add 8090 port no and allow it to be public

Edit inbound rules

Type	Protocol	Port Range	Source	Description
HTTP	TCP	80	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop
HTTP	TCP	80	Custom ::/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop
Custom TCP f	TCP	8080	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop
SSH	TCP	22	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop
Custom TCP f	TCP	8090	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop
Custom TCP f	TCP	8090	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop
HTTPS	TCP	443	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop

Add Rule

- Go to Browser and type- `http://<ip_address>:8090`

## Apache Tomcat/9.0.10



If you're seeing this, you've successfully installed Tomcat. Congratulations!



Recommended Reading:

[Security Considerations HOW-TO](#)

[Manager Application HOW-TO](#)

[Clustering/Session Replication HOW-TO](#)

Server Status

Manager App

Host Manager

### Developer Quick Start

[Tomcat Setup](#)

[First Web Application](#)

[Realms & AAA](#)

[JDBC DataSources](#)

[Examples](#)

[Servlet Specifications](#)

[Tomcat Versions](#)

### Managing Tomcat

For security, access to the [manager webapp](#) is restricted. Users are defined in:

`$CATALINA_HOME/conf/tomcat-users.xml`

In Tomcat 9.0 access to the manager application is split between different users.

[Read more...](#)

[Release Notes](#)

[Changelog](#)

[Migration Guide](#)

[Security Notices](#)

### Documentation

[Tomcat 9.0 Documentation](#)

[Tomcat 9.0 Configuration](#)

[Tomcat Wiki](#)

Find additional important configuration information in:

`$CATALINA_HOME/RUNNING.txt`

Developers may be interested in:

[Tomcat 9.0 Bug Database](#)

[Tomcat 9.0 JavaDocs](#)

[Tomcat 9.0 SVN Repository](#)

### Getting Help

[FAQ and Mailing Lists](#)

The following mailing lists are available:

[tomcat-announce](#)

Important announcements, releases, security vulnerability notifications. (Low volume).

[tomcat-users](#)

User support and discussion

[taglibs-user](#)

User support and discussion for [Apache Taglibs](#)

[tomcat-dev](#)

Development mailing list, including commit messages

## Step 8: Edit the context.xml

By default the manager is only accessible from a browser running on the same machine as Tomcat. Therefore to modify this restriction, go to context.xml file and comment out the default IP address.

Use the 'find' command to find the context.xml

```
[root@ip-xxx-xx-xx-xx conf]$ find / -name context.xml
```

You will get a list, and edit context.xml within webapp, both under host-manager and manager.



```
[root@ip- [REDACTED] conf]# find / -name context.xml
/etc/tomcat8/context.xml
/root/apache-tomcat-9.0.10/conf/context.xml
/root/apache-tomcat-9.0.10/webapps/host-manager/META-INF/context.xml
/root/apache-tomcat-9.0.10/webapps/manager/META-INF/context.xml
/var/lib/tomcat8/webapps/examples/META-INF/context.xml
/var/lib/tomcat8/webapps/host-manager/META-INF/context.xml
/var/lib/tomcat8/webapps/manager/META-INF/context.xml
[root@ip- [REDACTED] conf]# nano context.xml
[root@ip- [REDACTED] conf]# cd ^C
[root@ip- [REDACTED] conf]# cd /root/apache-tomcat-9.0.10/webapps/host-manager/
META-INF/context.xml
-bash: cd: /root/apache-tomcat-9.0.10/webapps/host-manager/META-INF/context.xml:
Not a directory
[root@ip- [REDACTED] conf]# ^C
[root@ip- [REDACTED] conf]# nano /root/apache-tomcat-9.0.10/webapps/host-manage
r/META-INF/context.xml
[root@ip- [REDACTED] conf]# ^C
[root@ip- [REDACTED] conf]# nano /root/apache-tomcat-9.0.10/webapps/manager/MET
A-INF/context.xml
[root@ip- [REDACTED] conf]#
```

GNU nano 2.5.3 File: ...0/webapps/host-manager/META-INF/context.xml

```
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See the License for the specific language governing permissions and
limitations under the License.
```

```
-->
<Context antiResourceLocking="false" privileged="true" >
  <Valve className="org.apache.catalina.valves.RemoteAddrValve"
    allow="127\.\d+\.\d+\.\d+|::1|0:0:0:0:0:0:0:1" />
  <Manager sessionAttributeValueClassNameFilter="java\.lang\.(?:Boolean|Integer$
</Context>
```

Comment out the value section:

```
<Context antiResourceLocking="false" privileged="true" >
<!-- <Valve className="org.apache.catalina.valves.RemoteAddrValve"
  allow="127\.\d+\.\d+\.\d+|::1|0:0:0:0:0:0:0:1" /> -->
  <Manager sessionAttributeValueClassNameFilter="java\.lang\.(?:Boolean|Integer$
</Context>
```

## Step 9. Specify the roles and the users:

Browse to the conf directory and open the tomcat-users.xml for editing.

```
[root@ip-xxx-xx-xx-xx conf]$ find / -name context.xml
```



```
[root@ip-172-31-82-19 conf]# ls
Catalina               context.xml             logging.properties    tomcat-users.xsd
catalina.policy         jaspic-providers.xml  server.xml             web.xml
catalina.properties    jaspic-providers.xsd  tomcat-users.xml
[root@ip-172-31-82-19 conf]# nano tomcat-users.xml
GNU nano 2.5.3          File: tomcat-users.xml      Modified

NOTE: The sample user and role entries below are intended for use with the
examples web application. They are wrapped in a comment and thus are ignored
when reading this file. If you wish to configure these users for use with the
examples web application, do not forget to remove the <!-- .. --> that surrounds
them. You will also need to set the passwords to something appropriate.
-->
<!--
<role rolename="tomcat"/>
<role rolename="role1"/>
<user username="tomcat" password="<must-be-changed>" roles="tomcat"/>
<user username="both" password="<must-be-changed>" roles="tomcat,role1"/>
<user username="role1" password="<must-be-changed>" roles="role1"/>
-->

<role rolename="manager-gui"/>
<role rolename="manager-script"/>
<user username="admin" password="tom30" roles="manager-gui,manager-script"/>
</tomcat-users>
```

Sign in

http://52.204.111.223:8090

Your connection to this site is not private

Username

Password

Sign in

Cancel



## Tomcat Web Application Manager

Message: OK

**Manager**  
[List Applications](#) [HTML Manager Help](#) [Manager Help](#) [Server Status](#)

Applications					
Path	Version	Display Name	Running	Sessions	Commands
/	None specified	Welcome to Tomcat	true	0	Start Stop Reload Undeploy Expire sessions with idle ≥ 30 minutes
/docs	None specified	Tomcat Documentation	true	0	Start Stop Reload Undeploy Expire sessions with idle ≥ 30 minutes
/examples	None specified	Servlet and JSP Examples	true	0	Start Stop Reload Undeploy Expire sessions with idle ≥ 30 minutes
/host-manager	None specified	Tomcat Host Manager Application	true	0	Start Stop Reload Undeploy Expire sessions with idle ≥ 30 minutes
/manager	None specified	Tomcat Manager Application	true	1	Start Stop Reload Undeploy Expire sessions with idle ≥ 30 minutes

### Step 10. Restart Tomcat service

## Integration with Jenkins

Following are the steps to integrate with Jenkins:

Step 1. Install Jenkins on AWS ec2 Linux (Clickhere).

Step 2. Install 'Deploy to container' plugin from Manage Jenkins → Manage Plugins → Available → 'Deploy to container'

Updates

Available

Installed

Advanced

Install ↓

Name

<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Start Windocks Containers</a> This plugin is used to create a SQL Server container on a docker server.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Amazon EC2 Container Service</a> Use Amazon EC2 Container Service to provide elastic slaves.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Hyper.sh Slaves</a> This plugin uses Hyper.sh Containers to setup a Jenkins executor.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Amazon EC2 Container Service plugin with autoscaling capabilities</a> Use Amazon EC2 Container Service to provide elastic slaves.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Deploy to container</a> This plugin allows you to deploy a war to a container after a successful build. Glassfish 3.x remote deployment
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">OpenShift Deployer</a> This plugin enable Jenkins jobs to create containers(gears) on OpenShift and deploy applications to it
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Cisco Spark Notifier</a> Notify Cisco Spark spaces from build, post-build and pipeline steps using 'Secret text' credential containing bot or user token
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Anchore Container Image Scanner</a> This plugin provides container image scanning using Anchore Engine
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Extra Columns</a> This is a general listview-column plugin that currently contains the following columns: Test Result, Configure Project button, Disable/Enable, Description, Build Description, SCM Type & Cron Trigger.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Azure Container Service</a>

Install without restart

Download now and install after restart


Update information obtained: 23 hr ago

Check now

# Installing Plugins/Upgrades

## Preparation

- Checking internet connectivity
- Checking update center connectivity
- Success

Deploy to container  Success

➡ [Go back to the top page](#)  
 (you can start using the installed plugins right away)

➡ ☐ Restart Jenkins when installation is complete and no jobs are running

Step 3. Create a freestyle project

- Check out the Java code (that will create WAR) from github.

### Source Code Management

☐ None  
☒ Git

Repositories

Repository URL

Credentials

Branches to build

Branch Specifier (blank for 'any')

Repository browser

Additional Behaviours

☐ Subversion

- Invoke top-level Maven target

### Build Environment

☒ Delete workspace before build starts

☐ Use secret text(s) or file(s)

☐ Abort the build if it's stuck

☐ Add timestamps to the Console Output

☐ With Ant

### Build

☒ Invoke top-level Maven targets

Maven Version

Goals

- Add post-build action : 'Deploy war/ear to container'



## Post-build Actions

Deploy war/ear to a container

WAR/EAR files

target/web\_ex.war

Context path

Containers

Tomcat 8.x

Credentials

admin/\*\*\*\*\* (credentialsForTomcat)

Add

Tomcat URL

http://52.204.111.223:8090/

Add Container

Deploy on failure

Add post-build action

Save

Apply

Click Save & build now.

- Go to browser : `http://<ip_address>:8090` and log in manager app



### Tomcat Web Application Manager

Message:

OK

Manager

List Applications

HTML Manager Help

Manager Help

Server Status

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Path	Version	Display Name	Running	Sessions	Commands
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/docs	None specified	Tomcat Documentation	true	0	<div>Start Stop Reload Undeploy</div> <div>Expire sessions with idle ≥ 30 minutes</div>
/examples	None specified	Servlet and JSP Examples	true	0	<div>Start Stop Reload Undeploy</div> <div>Expire sessions with idle ≥ 30 minutes</div>
/host-manager	None specified	Tomcat Host Manager Application	true	0	<div>Start Stop Reload Undeploy</div> <div>Expire sessions with idle ≥ 30 minutes</div>
/manager	None specified	Tomcat Manager Application	true	1	<div>Start Stop Reload Undeploy</div> <div>Expire sessions with idle ≥ 30 minutes</div>
/web_ex	None specified	Archetype Created Web Application	true	0	<div>Start Stop Reload Undeploy</div> <div>Expire sessions with idle ≥ 30 minutes</div>

You will see your war file deployed to tomcat (in this case 'web\_ex').

Voila!! Congratulations !!

You have done a great job. All steps meticulously followed.