

How To Create Local YUM repository on CentOS 7 / RHEL 7 using DVD

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YUM is the package management tool that helps you to install or update the package through the network or local, at the same time it provides an easy method to install a package with its dependent packages.

Repository sources can be created either using the createrepo package or mounting the DVD on the directory. Mounting the DVD/CD ROM will lead to saving the space on HDD used by being copied to HDD.

Local YUM with DVD

Create Source

Mount the CD/DVD ROM on any directory of your wish. For testing, mount it on /cdrom.

```
# mkdir /cdrom
# mount /dev/cdrom /cdrom
```

Create Repo file

Before creating a repo file, **move your existing repo files present in /etc/yum.repos.d directory, if not required.**

```
mv /etc/yum.repos.d/*.repo /tmp/
Create the new repo file called cdrom.repo under /etc/repos.d directory.
```

```
# vi /etc/yum.repos.d/local.repo
Add the following details.
```

```
[LocalRepo]
name=LocalRepository
baseurl=file:///cdrom
enabled=1
gpgcheck=1
gpgkey=file:///etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-CentOS-7
Where,
```

[LocalRepo] – Name of the Section.

name = Name of the repository

baseurl = Location of the package

Enabled = Enable repository

gpgcheck= Enable secure installation

gpgkey = Location of the key

gpgcheck is optional (If you set gpgcheck=0, there is no need to mention gpgkey)

Install Package from Local DVD YUM repository

Clear the repository cache by issuing the following command.

```
# yum clean all
```

Let's install the vsftpd package from the local repository.

```
# yum install vsftpd
```

The output will be like below; it will try to cache the package information. When you give yes to download the package, it will prompt you to accept gpg signing key.

Loaded plugins: fastestmirror

```
LocalRepo | 3.6 kB 00:00
(1/2): LocalRepo/group_gz | 157 kB 00:00
(2/2): LocalRepo/primary_db | 2.7 MB 00:00
```

Determining fastest mirrors

Resolving Dependencies

--> Running transaction check

---> Package vsftpd.x86_64 0:3.0.2-9.el7 will be installed

--> Finished Dependency Resolution

Dependencies Resolved

```
=====
Package      Arch      Version      Repository    Size
=====
Installing:
vsftpd       x86_64    3.0.2-9.el7   LocalRepo     165 k
=====
```

Transaction Summary

Install 1 Package

Total download size: 165 k

Installed size: 343 k

Is this ok [y/d/N]: y

Downloading packages:

warning: /cdrom/Packages/vsftpd-3.0.2-9.el7.x86_64.rpm: Header V3 RSA/SHA256 Signature, key ID f4a80eb5: NOKEY
Public key for vsftpd-3.0.2-9.el7.x86_64.rpm is not installed

Retrieving key from <file:///etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-CentOS-7>

Importing GPG key 0xF4A80EB5:

Userid : "CentOS-7 Key (CentOS 7 Official Signing Key) <security@centos.org>"

Fingerprint: 6341 ab27 53d7 8a78 a7c2 7bb1 24c6 a8a7 f4a8 0eb5

Package : centos-release-7-0.1406.el7.centos.2.3.x86_64 (@anaconda)

From : /etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-CentOS-7

Is this ok [y/N]: y

Running transaction check

Running transaction test

Transaction test succeeded

Running transaction

Installing : vsftpd-3.0.2-9.el7.x86_64 1/1

Verifying : vsftpd-3.0.2-9.el7.x86_64 1/1

Installed:

vsftpd.x86_64 0:3.0.2-9.el7

Complete!</security@centos.org>

You have successfully configured the local repository on the machine, but it is limited to a single machine where the CD or DVD is mounted.

Local YUM with FTP or HTTP

If you have quite number machines and all of them connected over intranet, then this is the best option for you.

Host RPM Packages

Normally YUM server uses FTP or Apache as the medium to transfer packages. So, install either FTP or Apache on your yum server.

You can use either FTP or Apache, not both.

Mount the DVD on **/cdrom**.

`mkdir /cdrom;mount /dev/cdrom /cdrom`

Copy packages from DVDROM to **/var/ftp** or **/var/www/html** receptively for FTP and Apache.

FTP

Copy the packages from the DVD-ROM to FTP folder.

`cp -a /cdrom/Packages/* /var/ftp`

Apache

Copy packages from the DVD-ROM to Apache home directory.

```
cp -a /cdrom/Packages/* /var/www/html/
```

Edit Apache configuration file to enable the indexes.

```
vi /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf
```

From

Options Indexes FollowSymLinks
To

Options All Indexes FollowSymLinks
Remove the welcome page.

```
rm -rf /etc/httpd/conf.d/welcome.conf
```

Restart service.

FTP

```
systemctl restart vsftpd
```

Apache

```
systemctl restart httpd
```

Firewall

You need to allow FTP and HTTP port on the firewall so that client machines can able to get packages from YUM server.

For HTTP

```
firewall-cmd --permanent --add-port=80/tcp  
firewall-cmd --reload
```

For FTP

```
firewall-cmd --permanent --add-port=21/tcp  
firewall-cmd --reload
```

SELinux

Consider [disabling SELinux on CentOS / RHEL](#).

Verify Services

Verify the accessibility using the web browser by visiting respective service.

FTP:

<ftp://ip-address>

Apache:

<http://ip-address>

Creating Repository

After hosting the packages, we need to create the repository of packages that we have copied from the disc. **createrepo** is the tool that helps you to create the XML based rpm meta-structure repository, like an index file that points to rpm files.

```
cd /cdrom/Packages  
rpm -ivh createrepo-*el7.noarch.rpm libxml2-python-*x86_64.rpm deltarpm-*el7.x86_64.rpm python-deltarpm-*el7.x86_64.rpm
```

FTP

```
createrepo /var/ftp
```

Apache

```
createrepo /var/www/html
```

Create Repo File

Once created the repository, just go on to the client machine and add the repository file under the **/etc/yum.repos.d** directory.

Before creating a repo file, **move the existing repo files present in /etc/yum.repos.d directory, if not required.**

```
mv /etc/yum.repos.d/*.repo /tmp/  
Create remote.repo file.
```

```
vi /etc/yum.repos.d/remote.repo
```

Create a repo entry like below, depends on the protocol you are using. Change ipadress to your server ip address.

FTP

```
[remote]  
name=RHEL FTP  
baseurl=ftp://192.168.1.10  
enabled=1  
gpgcheck=0
```

Apache

```
[remote]  
name=RHEL Apache  
baseurl=http://192.168.1.10  
enabled=1  
gpgcheck=0
```

Install Package from Local YUM repository

Now you can install packages using the yum command.

```
yum install mysql-server
```

That's All.

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