

# Command Line Arguments

About the Arguments:

BLOCK\_ENGINE\_URL, RELAYER\_URL, and SHRED\_RECEIVER\_ADDR reference addresses on the [mainnet](#) and [testnet](#) connection pages.

- --tip-payment-program-pubkey
  - Address of the tip payment program
  - - The tip payment program address can be found [here](#)
  - - Read more about the program [here](#)
  - \*
- --tip-distribution-program-pubkey
  - Address of the tip distribution program
  - - The tip payment program address can be found [here](#)
  - - Read more about the program [here](#)
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- --merkle-root-upload-authority
  - Authority that uploads MEV airdrop merkle roots to the validator's MEV "piggy bank".
  - - This authority automates the airdrop and claim process, so stakers don't need to manually claim rewards.
    - if you set it to Jito -GZctHpWXmsZC1YHACTGGcHhYxjdRqQvTpYkb9LMvxDib
    - , Jito will run the airdrop and claim process for you.
    - If you set it to any other address, you will need to run the [claim workflow](#)
    - yourself.
  - \*
- --commission-bps
  - the MEV commission your validator takes (stored in basis points)
  - --relayer-url
    - Address the validator connects to in order to get packets from the relayer
    - - The relayer URLs are available [here](#)
  - \*
- --block-engine-url
  - Address of the block engine where the validator connects
  - - The block engine URLs are available [here](#)
  - \*
- --shred-receiver-address
  - Address where shreds are sent
  - - The shred receiver addresses are available [here](#)
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## Mainnet Arguments

Please look at [mainnet connection information](#) for the values of BLOCK\_ENGINE\_URL, RELAYER\_URL, and SHRED\_RECEIVER\_ADDR.

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Copy BLOCK_ENGINE_URL= RELAYER_URL= SHRED_RECEIVER_ADDR= solana-validator \ --tip-payment-program-pubkey T1pyyaTNZsKv2WcRAB8oVnk93mLJw2XzjtVYqCsaHqt \ --tip-distribution-program-pubkey 4R3gSG8BpU4t19KYj8CfnbtRpnT8gtk4dvTHxVRwc2r7 \ --merkle-root-upload-authority GZctHpWXmsZC1YHACTGGcHhYxjdRqQvTpYkb9LMvxDib \ --commission-bps 800 \ --relayer-url {RELAYER_URL} \ --block-engine-url {BLOCK_ENGINE_URL} \ --shred-receiver-address {SHRED_RECEIVER_ADDR}
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## Testnet Arguments

Please look at [testnet connection information](#) for the values of BLOCK\_ENGINE\_URL, RELAYER\_URL, and SHRED\_RECEIVER\_ADDR.

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Copy BLOCK_ENGINE_URL= RELAYER_URL= SHRED_RECEIVER_ADDR= solana-validator \ --tip-payment-program-  
pubkey DCN82qDxJAQuSqHhv2BJuAgi41SPeKZB5ioBCTMNDrCC \ --tip-distribution-program-pubkey  
F2Zu7QZITYUhPd7u9ukRVvxh7B71oA3NMJcHuCHc29P2 \ --merkle-root-upload-authority  
GZctHpWXmsZC1YHACTGGcHhYxjdRqQvTpYkb9LMvxDib \ --commission-bps 800 \ --relayer-url {RELAYER_URL} \ --  
block-engine-url {BLOCK_ENGINE_URL} \ --shred-receiver-address {SHRED_RECEIVER_ADDR}
```

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## Changing Command Line Arguments

Several configuration parameters for the Jito-Solana validator can be changed at runtime - including some of the Jito-specific CLI arguments - without the need to restart a running validator. To see a list of validator admin RPC operations for your Solana version, run `solana-validator help` and examine the list of subcommands.

### Test Admin RPC

If you have never used the admin RPC before, we suggest you start with the `monitor` command to avoid making unwanted changes to your running validator. Run `solana-validator monitor --help` to see the documentation for the `monitor` command (same syntax to get other commands help).

After running `solana-validator -l monitor`, you should see something like the following:

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Copy Ledger location: /solana/ledger Identity: 2Nnw9RZvT2qeKq74rkW8hWDJZUDSKxiBarmQMFxHzzCt Genesis Hash:  
4uhcVJyU9pJkvQyS88uRDiswHXSCkY3zQawwpjk2NsNY 697:54:24 | Processed Slot: 210229427 | Confirmed Slot:  
210229425 | Finalized Slot: 210229388 | Full Snapshot Slot: 210227247 | Incremental Snapshot Slot: 210229270 |  
Transactions: 264554057258 | @1599.903590025
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If this doesn't work, check your ledger path. All admin RPC commands will require the ledger path.

## Changing Jito-Specific Config

Currently, there are 3 admin RPC commands to adjust Jito-specific validator configuration, and for versions starting with Jito-Solana v1.14.18, the ability to change identity at runtime is fully supported.

**Command Action** `set-block-engine-config` Set configuration for connection to a block engine `set-identity` Set the validator identity `set-relayer-config` Set configuration for connection to a relayer `set-shred-receiver-address` Changes shred receiver address These commands allow you to set (or change) the URLs for Jito connections. E.g., `runningsolana-validator -l set-block-engine-config --block-engine-url https://nyc.testnet.block-engine.jito.wtf` will set the block engine URL to point to Jito Labs' testnet block engine in NY.

Other URLs can be set with similar syntax, as well as a few other flags and relayer heartbeat configuration.

### Identity Hotswap

For Jito-Solana 1.14.18 and up, the ability to change identity at runtime is fully supported.

**Command Action** `set-identity` Set the validator identity You can follow standard procedures for changing a validator's identity at runtime. Connections to backend services will be automatically reset and attempted under the new identity. The following 2 guides provide detailed instructions: [MVines Guide](#)

[Pumpkin's Guide](#)

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