



# **Manage CLI sessions (cluster administrators only)**

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# Manage CLI sessions (cluster administrators only)

## Record a CLI session

You can record a CLI session into a file with a specified name and size limit, then upload the file to an FTP or HTTP destination. You can also display or delete files in which you previously recorded CLI sessions.

A record of a CLI session ends when you stop the recording or end the CLI session, or when the file reaches the specified size limit. The default file size limit is 1 MB. The maximum file size limit is 2 GB.

Recording a CLI session is useful, for example, if you are troubleshooting an issue and want to save detailed information or if you want to create a permanent record of space usage at a specific point in time.

### Steps

1. Start recording the current CLI session into a file:

```
system script start
```

For more information about using the `system script start` command, see the man page.

ONTAP starts recording your CLI session into the specified file.

2. Proceed with your CLI session.
3. When finished, stop recording the session:

```
system script stop
```

For more information about using the `system script stop` command, see the man page.

ONTAP stops recording your CLI session.

## Commands for managing records of CLI sessions

You use the `system script` commands to manage records of CLI sessions.

If you want to...	Use this command...
Start recording the current CLI session in to a specified file	<code>system script start</code>
Stop recording the current CLI session	<code>system script stop</code>
Display information about records of CLI sessions	<code>system script show</code>

If you want to...	Use this command...
Upload a record of a CLI session to an FTP or HTTP destination	<code>system script upload</code>
Delete a record of a CLI session	<code>system script delete</code>

#### Related information

[ONTAP 9 Commands](#)

## Commands for managing the automatic timeout period of CLI sessions

The timeout value specifies how long a CLI session remains idle before being automatically terminated. The CLI timeout value is cluster-wide. That is, every node in a cluster uses the same CLI timeout value.

By default, the automatic timeout period of CLI sessions is 30 minutes.

You use the `system timeout` commands to manage the automatic timeout period of CLI sessions.

If you want to...	Use this command...
Display the automatic timeout period for CLI sessions	<code>system timeout show</code>
Modify the automatic timeout period for CLI sessions	<code>system timeout modify</code>

#### Related information

[ONTAP 9 Commands](#)

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