



## Disable security

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One may accidentally set up security realm / authorization in such a way that you may no longer be able to reconfigure Jenkins.

When this happens, you can fix this by the following steps:

1. Stop Jenkins (the easiest way to do this is to kill the servlet container.)
2. Go to `$JENKINS_HOME` in the file system and find `config.xml` file.
3. Open this file in the editor.
4. Look for the `<useSecurity>true</useSecurity>` element in this file.
5. Replace `true` with `false`
6. Remove the elements `authorizationStrategy` and `securityRealm`
7. Start Jenkins

When Jenkins comes back, it's in the unsecured mode where everyone gets full access to the system.

If this is still not working, try renaming or deleting `config.xml`.

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