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Install Nginx Using Yum Command

Step #1: Install nginx repo

Type the following wget command to install nginx yum configuration file:

cd /tmp

CentOS Linux v6.x user type the following command:

wget http://nginx.org/packages/centos/6/noarch/RPMS/nginx-release-centos-6-

0.el6.ngx.noarch.rpm

rpm -ivh nginx-release-centos-6-0.el6.ngx.noarch.rpm

RHEL v6.x user type the following command:

wget http://nginx.org/packages/rhel/6/noarch/RPMS/nginx-release-rhel-6-

0.el6.ngx.noarch.rpm

rpm -ivh nginx-release-rhel-6-0.el6.ngx.noarch.rpm

Sample outputs:

warning: nginx-release-rhel-6-0.el6.ngx.noarch.rpm: Header V4 RSA/SHA1

Signature, key ID 7bd9bf62: NOKEY

Preparing... ############################ [100%]

1:nginx-release-rhel ############################## [100%]

Step #2: Install nginx web-server

Type the following yum command to install nginx web-server:

```
# yum install nginx
```

```
Sample outputs:
Loaded plugins: product-id, rhnplugin, security, subscription-manager
Updating certificate-based repositories.
Unable to read consumer identity
nginx
                                              | 1.3 kB
                                                        00:00
                                              4.8 kB 00:00
nginx/primary
nginx
33/33
Setting up Install Process
Resolving Dependencies
--> Running transaction check
---> Package nginx.x86_64 0:1.2.6-1.el6.ngx will be installed
--> Finished Dependency Resolution
Dependencies Resolved
_______
Package Arch
                 Version
                                                Repository
Size
Installing:
       x86_64 1.2.6-1.el6.ngx
nginx
                                                nginx
                                                            361
k
```

```
Installing : nginx-1.2.6-1.el6.ngx.x86_64

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Thanks for using NGINX!

Check out our community web site:
* http://nginx.org/en/support.html

If you have questions about commercial support for NGINX please visit:
* http://www.nginx.com/support.html

Installed products updated.
    Verifying : nginx-1.2.6-1.el6.ngx.x86_64

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Installed:
    nginx.x86_64 0:1.2.6-1.el6.ngx

Complete!
```

Step #3: Turn on nginx service

Type the following command:

```
# chkconfig nginx on
```

How do I start / stop / restart nginx web-server?

Type the following commands:

```
# service nginx start

# service nginx stop

# service nginx restart

# service nginx status

# service nginx reload
```

Step #4: Configuration files

- 1. Default configuration directory: /etc/nginx/
- 2. Default SSL and vhost config directory: /etc/nginx/conf.d/
- 3. Default log file directory: /var/log/nginx/
- 4. Default document root directory: /usr/share/nginx/html
- 5. Default configuration file: /etc/nginx/nginx.conf
- 6. Default server access log file: /var/log/nginx/access.log
- 7. Default server access log file: /var/log/nginx/error.log

To edit the nginx configuration file, enter:

```
# vi /etc/nginx/nginx.conf
```

Set or update worker_processes as follows (this must be set to CPU(s) in your system. Use the sep-inclusive-normal-left (this must be set to CPU(s) in your system. Use the sep-inclusive-normal-left (this must be set to CPU(s) in your system. Use

```
worker_processes 2;
```

Turn on gzip support:

Set server name:

```
server_name www.cyberciti.biz;
```

Save and close the file. Start the server:

```
# service nginx start
```

Verify that everything is working:

```
# netstat -tulpn | grep :80

# ps aux | grep nginx
```

Firewall configuration: Open TCP port #80

Edit the file /etc/sysconfig/iptables, enter:

```
# vi /etc/sysconfig/iptables
```

Add the following lines, ensuring that they appear before the final LOG and DROP lines for the INPUT chain to open port 80:

```
-A INPUT -m state --state NEW -p tcp --dport 80 -j ACCEPT
```

Save and close the file. Finally, restart the firewall:

```
# service iptables restart
```