

# Upgrading a Connector Plugin

Upgrading a connector is similar to upgrading any other Apache Kafka® client application. You should refer to the documentation for individual connector plugins if you have a need for rolling upgrades. The instructions below cover the procedure to upgrade any generic connector plugin by taking a short outage.

1. Download the new connector plugin.
2. Stop all Connect workers.
3. Remove the old connector plugin from the [plugin path or classpath](#).
4. Install the new connector plugin per the [instructions](#).
5. Start up the workers.
6. Start up the connector (if using distributed mode).

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