

## Remove Duplicate IPTables Rules

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Duplicate entries may appear in your iptables configuration due to parallel efforts of various network security-related applications that may be running on your server. In most cases, having duplicate iptables rules is no big deal, but sometimes they may become an annoyance. Here's a list of commands you can run on your RHEL/CentOS system to de-dupe your iptables configuration.

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Shell /sbin/service iptables save /sbin/iptables-save | awk '!x[$0]++' >
/tmp/iptables.conf /sbin/iptables -F /sbin/iptables-restore < /tmp/iptables.conf /sbin/service
iptables save /sbin/service iptables restart if [ -f /tmp/iptables.conf ] ; then /bin/rm -f
/tmp/iptables.conf ; fi
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