



Basic cPanel and WHM Setup

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For WHM version 11.32

Goals

The WHM basic setup guide is designed to configure ownership information, as well as basic DNS information for the WHM/cPanel package. Once the setup is completed, the server will essentially be branded, as well as provided a hostname.

Access WHM

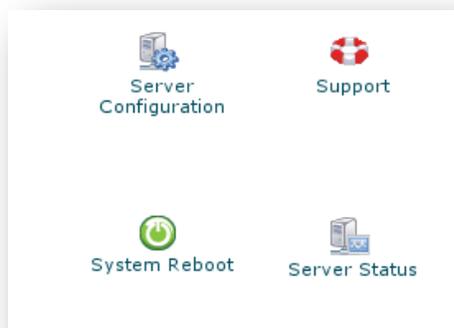
Please follow the steps below in order to access WHM.

1. Provide the link IPADDRESS:2086 in your browser.
2. It will prompt a login screen.
3. Login as the root user using the information located in your control panel at <http://manage.myhosting.com>.

4. Click the Login button.



5. Go to Main >> Server Configuration >> Basic cPanel & WHM Setup.



This section allows you to configure basic options for cPanel and WHM. You can specify contact information, nameservers, and more.

The screen contains a number of fields, some of which are optional and some of which, marked by an asterisk (*), are required.

This screen also contains tabs you may use to isolate certain configuration options. To select a tab, simply click the tab corresponding to the information you wish to view at the top of the screen. You may select:

Contact Information

Fill in the fields as per your requirements. You can get a brief idea about each field from WHM itself.

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* Enter one or more email addresses to contact in case a problem arises with this server. <i>Examples: john@doe.com, john.q.public@anonymous.com, user@host.com</i>			<input type="text" value="root@vps-1082356-7"/>
Enter one or more cellular phone or pager email addresses to message via email in case a problem arises with this server. <i>Examples: john@cellphone.com, 8005551212@provider.com, user@host.com</i>			<input type="text" value="admin@example.com"/>
The AIM username that this server should use for login to AIM when sending alerts. To disable or fine-tune AIM notifications, go to Contact Manager . You can register a new AIM name here .			<input type="text" value="admin"/>
The AIM username password for sending alerts.			<input type="password" value="....."/>
AIM names (comma delimited) to notify in case a problem arises with this server. <i>Examples: user54044, user989, 6033</i>			<input type="text" value="admin1"/>
The ICQ ID that this server should use for login to ICQ when sending alerts. To disable or fine-tune ICQ notifications, go to Contact Manager . You can register for a new ICQ number here .			<input type="text"/>
The ICQ ID password for sending alerts.			<input type="password"/>
Enter one or more ICQ user identification numbers (comma delimited) you can be reached at in case a problem arises with this server. <i>Examples: 1234567, 11223344, 1020304</i>			<input type="text"/>

There is no need to fill in all fields if they are not required for your purposes.

Basic Configuration

Fill in the fields as per your requirements. All these settings are system-related. The values are already configured during installation. You do not need to change these values on your end unless you decide to customize these settings.

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<p>* The IP address (only one address) that will be used for setting up shared IP virtual hosts. Setting an IP not associated with this server is possible but not advised.</p> <p>Example: 10.11.133.14</p> <p>The ethernet device onto which new IP addresses are added. Devices detected with at least one IP are listed in the drop-down, or you may specify another device.</p> <p>Examples: eth0:3, eth1, eth2 venet0:0 (virtuozzo servers)</p>	<input type="text" value="216.36.54.3"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="text" value=""/> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Other: <input type="text" value="venet0:c"/>
<p>* Enter the location where you wish for new users' home directories to be created. By default all directories matching the "Home Directory Prefix" are checked for available disk space and the directory with the most free space will be used.</p> <p>Example: /home</p> <p>Additional home directories matching the following value will also be used for new home directory creations. (Leaving this value blank disables the feature.) This option only takes one value.</p> <p>Examples: "home" matches /home, /home2, /newhome, /usr/home, /anythingwith/homein it</p>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> /home default <input type="radio"/> /home <input checked="" type="radio"/> home default <input type="radio"/> home
<p>* Enter the default cPanel theme for newly created accounts whose packages do not specify a theme.</p>	<input type="text" value="x3"/> Default: x3
<p>The minimum user ID value used when creating new accounts. Values below 500 will result in a very broken system and they are not permitted.</p>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 500 default <input type="radio"/> 500
<p>* Automatically create a cgi-bin script alias. This setting can be individually overridden during account creation.</p>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes default <input type="radio"/> No
<p>This value defines the caching time for host name lookups for domains hosted on this server. When a caching nameserver queries the authoritative nameserver for a resource record, this value defines the number of seconds before the record will expire. Shorter TTL values can cause heavier loads on the nameserver, but can be useful for zones that contain frequently changing records. The range of values in seconds as defined by RFC 2181 is 0 to 2147483647.</p>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 14400 default <input type="radio"/> 14400
<p>This value is similar to the Domain Time To Live setting, but is specifically the value used for newly created zone file's authoritative nameserver entries.</p>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 86400 default <input type="radio"/> 86400

Nameservers

This section of the interface allows you to specify nameservers associated with your server. To use this feature, simply enter the nameservers you wish to use as your primary, secondary, tertiary nameservers, and so on.

Nameservers

The root account's default nameservers used when root creates an account.

Nameserver 1:	<input type="text" value="ns1.manage.myhosti"/>	<input type="button" value="Assign IP address"/>	<input type="button" value="Add an A entry for this nameserver"/>
Nameserver 2:	<input type="text" value="ns2.manage.myhosti"/>	<input type="button" value="Assign IP address"/>	<input type="button" value="Add an A entry for this nameserver"/>
Nameserver 3:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="button" value="Assign IP address"/>	<input type="button" value="Add an A entry for this nameserver"/>
Nameserver 4:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="button" value="Assign IP address"/>	<input type="button" value="Add an A entry for this nameserver"/>

You can also use the [Assign IP address](#) and [Add an A entry for this nameserver](#) buttons in order to assign IP address for the corresponding nameserver.

Assign an IP Address

Assign IP addresses are automatically assigned to your nameservers. The IP address your nameserver will use is pulled from your existing IP address pool. If you do not have any IP addresses available, your nameserver will not receive an IP address.

Add an A Entry

A entries, in this case, allow your nameserver to be resolved to an IP address. A records are required for your nameservers to work properly. To add an A record for a nameserver, follow the steps below:

1. Click the [Add an A entry for this nameserver](#) button.
2. A pop-up window will appear.
3. Confirm that the IP address is correct in the resulting pop-up window if available, or you can manually enter in your IP address.
4. Click the [Add Entry](#) button and wait for the confirmation screen.



Nameserver	Nameserver IP
ns1.manage.myhosting.com	NA

Enter the IP address to use for the "A Entry" for ns1.manage.myhosting.com

Conclusion

You have now completed the basic WHM setup. By doing this setup, you do not need to configure your nameservers for each domain you are creating, or adjust other WHM settings like the configuration of your shared IP address. You have also branded the server with your personal information, as well as provided a host name for the machine. If you encountered any issues with this guide, please also note that there is additional information available in our Wiki database at <http://myhosting.com/kb>. Finally, we encourage you to contact our technical support team by email at vps@myhosting.com, or calling us at 1-866-289-5091 with any questions or concerns.