

# Disable ipv6 support

## Apache

By default, Apache will listen on all IPs, both IPv6 and IPv4. This is controlled by the Listen directive:

```
Listen 80
```

To turn off IPv6 in Apache, just change the Listen directive in `/etc/apache2/ports.conf` to

```
Listen 0.0.0.0:80
```

Repeat this for port 443 for HTTPS connections.

Then restart apache

```
/etc/init.d/apache2 restart
```

## SSHD

By default, SSHD will listen on all IPs. This is configured in `/etc/ssh/sshd_config` as ListenAddress option. To force SSHD to only listen to IPv4 explicitly set this:

```
ListenAddress 0.0.0.0
```

Then restart SSHD

```
/etc/init.d/ssh restart
```

## postfix

```
vi /etc/postfix/main.cf
```

Add `inet_protocols` line after `inet_interfaces`:

```
inet_protocols = ipv4
```

and restart postfix

```
/etc/init.d/postfix restart
```

## Dovecot

```
vi /etc/dovecot/dovecot.conf
```

and add/change listen after the protocols = imap etc line, so it reads

```
listen = *
```

and restart dovecot

```
/etc/init.d/dovecot restart
```

## EXIM

```
vi /etc/exim4/update-exim4.conf.conf
```

and change dc\_local\_interfaces so it reads

```
dc_local_interfaces='127.0.0.1'
```

and restart exim

```
/etc/init.d/exim4 restart
```

## System wide

```
echo "# Disable IPv6" >> /etc/sysctl.conf
echo "net.ipv6.conf.all.disable_ipv6 = 1" >> /etc/sysctl.conf
echo "#" >> /etc/sysctl.conf
sysctl -p
```

reboot system at some point

## Confirm open connections

```
lsof -i
```

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