

# How to Disable Services

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## Overview

This document describes how to disable a service.

When the `/usr/local/cpanel/scripts/maintenance` script runs, it provides security updates and automatically restarts services. However, automatic restarts may cause essential services, such as `securetmp`, to lose connection to the server. If these services lose connection to the server, that server may become inaccessible.

Disabled services reside in the `/var/cpanel/disabled` directory.

## Disable services

To disable a service, log in to your server's command line as the `root` user and add one of the following touch files to the `/var/cpanel/disabled` directory:

File	Description
<code>secureit</code>	Disables the <code>secureit</code> service, which secures file permissions on your server.
<code>securetmp</code>	Disables the <code>securetmp</code> service, which secures your <code>/tmp</code> partition.
<code>terminal-colors</code>	Disables the color output in WHM's <i>Terminal</i> interface ( <i>WHM &gt;&gt; Home &gt;&gt; Server Configuration &gt;&gt; Terminal</i> ).
<code>cloudlinux</code>	Disables CloudLinux™.
<code>auto-restart-services</code>	Disables any services that the system automatically restarts.

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