

How to change Return Path variable in Qmail

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The **Return Path** variable on one of the qmail mail servers I manage was improperly set. New newsletter mails initiated by the php scripts on the mail server had the improper *return path* set in the mail headers, like so:

Return-Path:

Therefore many mail servers dropped messages as the set *Return Path* variable in the headers was incorrectly set to the domain **mail.mymailserver.com**

Thus to change the *Return Path* to the correct one that should have been **mymailserver.com** I had to include *mymailserver.com* in qmail's control file **/var/qmail/control/bouncehost**, e.g.

```
root@qmail:~# echo 'mymailserver.com' > /var/qmail/control/bouncehost
root@qmail:~# echo 'mymailserver.com' > /var/qmail/control/doublebouncehost
```

By the way the *return path* in qmail is set by:

> **qmail-inject** and **qmail-send**

There seems to be also some way to overwrite the default set **return-path** variable with some php variables but I have never tried this one.

Cheers ;)