

Qmail redirect mail to another one and keep local Mailbox copy with .qmail file - Easy Set up email forwarding Qmail

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QMail (Considered to be the most secure Mail server out there whose modified version is running on *Google - Gmail.com* and *Mail Yahoo!* and *Yandex EMail (SMTP) servers*, nowadays has been highly neglected and considered **obsolete** thus most people prefer to use **postfix SMTP** or **EXIM** but still if you happen to be running a number of *qmail old rack Mail servers* (running a bunch of Email addresses and Virtual Domains straight on the filesystem - **very handy by the way for administration much better than when you have a Qmail Mail server configured to store its Mailboxes within MySQL / PostgreSQL or other Database server - because simple vpopmail configured to play nice with Qmail and store all user emails directly on Filesystem (though considered more insecure the email correspondence can be easily red, if the server is hacked it is much better managable for a small and mid-sized mailserver)** or have inherited them from another sys admin and you wonder *how to redirect a single Mailbox*:

(under domain lets say domain's email **my-server1.com** should forward to to SMTP domain **my-server-whatever2.com** (e.g. **your-email-username@server-whatever1.com** is supposed to forward to **your-email-username2@server-whatever2.com**).

To achieve it create new file called **.qmail**

Under the Qmail or VirtualDomain location for example:

`/var/qmail/mailnames/myserver1.com/username/.qmail`

e.g

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root@qmail-server:~# vim /var/qmail/mailnames/myserver1.com/your-email-username/.qmail  
&your-email-username@server-whatever1.com
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your-email-username@example1.com

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/home/vpopmail/domains/server-whatever2.com/your-email-username/Maildir/
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!!! NOTE N.B. !!! the last slash / after Maildir (...Maildir/) is important to be there otherwise mail will not get delivered

That's all now send a test email, just to make sure redirection works properly, assuming the **.qmail** file is created by root, by default the file permissions will be with privileges **root:root**.

Note

That shouldn't be a problem at all. That's all now enjoy emails being dropped out to the second mail :)