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## How to turn off telnetd on FreeBSD

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There is a brand new **remote FreeBSD vulnerability in telnetd** in all its versions starting from version 7 to 9. It is therefore advisable that the telnet daemon be completely disabled.

To disable telnetd on FreeBSD:

### 1. Open /etc/inetd.conf

freebsd# vi /etc/inetd.conf

#### 2. Comment out the line

telnet stream tcp nowait root /usr/libexec/telnetd telnetd

e.g.:

#telnet stream tcp nowait root /usr/libexec/telnetd telnetd

#### 3. Restart inetd

freebsd# /etc/rc.d/inetd restart

The whole remote root telnetd FreeBSD security advisory (SA), can be read here

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