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# SYSLOG NOTES
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# SYSLOG STARTUP OPTIONS
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-r flag used to accept messages from remote machines
-h flag allows syslog to send messages to a remote machine

kill -HUP `bin/cat /var/run/syslog.pid`
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# SYSLOG.CONF FILE
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Syntax: selector <TAB> action
selector = facility.level
action = where to log
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#### Facilities (Programs):

- kern
- user (default)
- mail
- daemon
- auth
- lpr
- news
- uucp
- cron
- mark
- local0-7
- syslog
- authpriv
- ftp
- \* (all or any) & none

#### Levels (Severity):

- emerg
- alert
- crit
- err
- warning
- notice
- info
- debug

- \* (all or any) & none

#### Actions:

- filename
- @hostname
- @ipaddress
- user1
- \*
- - symbol in front of file means synchronization & buffering

#### Examples:

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# Enable remote logging
*:.* @192.168.0.3
*:.* @server4.bandwidthco.com

# enable this, if you want that root is informed
*.alert root

# all email-messages in one file
mail.* /var/log/mail

# email in separate files
mail.info /var/log/mail.info
mail.warn /var/log/mail.warn
mail.err /var/log/mail.err

# Warnings in one file
*.=warn;*.=err /var/log/warn
*.crit /var/log/warn

# save the rest in one file
*:.*;mail.none;news.none /var/log/messages
*:.* /var/log/allmessages
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#### # LOGGER COMMAND

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Syntax: logger -p facility.level -t tag message | file filename

-p option = facility and severity level  
-t option = identifying tag in message  
-l option = include process ID in message

#### Example:

logger -l -p local1.err -t FFT "Job Failed – scratch disk full"

Facilities	Facility Codes†	Priorities (in increasing order)	Priority Codes†	Actions	
auth	4	none	n/a	/some/file	(log to specified file)
auth-priv	10	debug	7	-/some/file	(log to specified file but don't sync after)
cron	9	info	6		
demon	3	notice	5	/some/pipe	(log to specified pipe)
kern	0	warning	4	/dev/someatty_or_console	
lpr	6	err	3		(log to specified console)
mail	2	crit	2	@remote.hostname.or.IP	
mark	n/a	alert	1		(log to specified remote host)
news	7	emerg	0	username1, username2, etc.	
syslog	5	* ("any priority")	n/a		(log to all user's screens)
user	1				
vuucp	8				
local(0-7)	16-23			Usage of "!" and "=" As Prefixes With Priorities	
* ("any facility")	n/a			*.notice (no prefix)	= "any event with priority of 'notice' or higher"
				*.!notice	= "no event with priority of 'notice' or higher"
				*.=notice	= "only events with priority 'notice'"
				*.!=notice	= no events with priority of 'notice'"

†Numeric codes should **not** be used in *syslog.conf* on Linux systems. They are provided here strictly as a reference. Should you need to configure a non-Linux syslog daemon which uses numeric codes only, e.g.: Cisco IOS, to send syslog messages to your log server.