

# Stopping, starting, or restarting VCSA services

When working with vCenter Appliance it is bit hard to manage the relavent services.

If you can access the web-based GUI, then the thing are simple. You can Log in to the vSphere Web Client with a vCenter Single Sign-on administrator account. The go to Administration > Deployment > System Configuration.

What if you can't get there and you don't have a possibility to login into the web-based UI, to check for the services status? Then you need SSH console. Log in as root through an SSH or console session on the vCenter Server Appliance.

- Run this command to enable the shell:

```
shell.set --enabled true
```

- Run this command to launch the shell:

```
shell
```

- Run this to change directories to /bin:

```
cd /bin
```

- Run this command to list the vCenter Server Appliance services:

```
service-control --list
```

- To view the current status of the vCenter Server Appliance services, type the command:

```
service-control --status
```

- To Manage all the services you can use:

*service-control -start -all / service-control -stop -all*

- TO START A SPECIFIED SERVICE

*service-control -start servicename*

- TO STOP A SPECIFIED SERVICE

*service-control -stop servicename*

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