

The Task Queue System

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Overview

Events in cPanel & WHM often cause one or more services to restart. For example, if you add a subdomain, the system restarts Apache and the nameserver daemon. On busy servers, these restart requests can degrade the quality of service.

To handle these requests, cPanel & WHM includes a system to queue and process tasks from various subsystems. Those subsystems do **not** perform restarts and other requests directly. Instead, the task queue system combines multiple instances of an outstanding request into a single action in order to improve server response time.

- The `queueprocd` daemon, which resides in the `/usr/local/cpanel/libexec` directory, processes the task queue periodically. The startup process starts this daemon. To manage the daemon, use the `/usr/local/cpanel/scripts/restartsrv_queueprocd` script.
- The `chksrvd` daemon monitors the `queueprocd` daemon.
- The task queue system stores the queue of tasks as JSON files in the `/var/cpanel/taskqueue` directory.

The servers_queue script

The task queue system uses the `/usr/local/cpanel/bin/servers_queue` script to manage task queue tasks.

You can use the following arguments when you call the `/usr/local/cpanel/bin/servers_queue` script:

Argument	Description	Example
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queue	<p>Use this argument to pass a quoted command string to add to the task queue.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If the system successfully adds that command to the task queue, you will receive a message that resembles the following example: <div data-bbox="665 340 975 508" style="border: 1px dashed blue; padding: 5px;"> <pre>Id: TQ:TaskQueue: 3</pre> </div> <p>In this example, TQ:TaskQueue:3 represents the task's ID number in the task queue.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you pass an invalid command to the task queue, you will receive the following error message, where <code>command</code> represents the command that you specified: <div data-bbox="665 804 975 1079" style="border: 1px dashed blue; padding: 5px;"> <pre>No known processor for 'command'. at /usr/local/li b/perl5/site_ perl/5.8.8/</pre> </div>	<pre>/usr/local/cpan el/bin/servers_ queue queue 'apache_restart '</pre>
unqueue	<p>Use this argument to remove a task from the task queue. When you use this argument, you must pass the task's unique task ID with it. The system outputs this number when you queue a task, or you can find the task ID number in the <code>/var/cpanel/taskqueue/servers_queue.json</code> file.</p> <p>If the system successfully removes the task, you will receive a success message that resembles the following example:</p> <div data-bbox="621 1431 975 1564" style="border: 1px dashed blue; padding: 5px;"> <pre>1 tasks unqueued</pre> </div>	<pre>/usr/local/cpan el/bin/servers_ queue unqueue TQ:TaskQueue:3</pre>

schedule	<p>Use this argument to pass a wait time, in seconds, and a quoted command string to add to the task queue. The task queue will not process the command until after the wait time passes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If the system successfully adds the command to the task queue, you will receive a message that resembles the following example: <pre data-bbox="670 413 975 587">Id: TQ:TaskQueue-Scheduler:43</pre> <p>In this example, TQ: TaskQueue-Scheduler:43 represents the task's ID number in the task queue.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you pass an invalid command to the task queue, you will receive the following error message, where command represents the command that you specified: <pre data-bbox="670 840 975 1100">No known processor for 'command'. at /usr/local/lib/perl5/site_perl/5.8.8/</pre>	<pre data-bbox="1127 171 1367 361">/usr/local/cpanel/bin/servers_queue schedule 600 'apache_restart' '</pre>
unschedule	<p>Use this argument to remove a task from the task queue. When you use this argument, you must pass the task's unique task ID with it. The system outputs this number when you queue a task, or you can find the task ID number in the /var/cpanel/taskqueue/servers_queue.json file.</p> <p>If the system successfully removes the task, you will receive a success message that resembles the following example:</p> <pre data-bbox="621 1459 975 1600">1 tasks unscheduled</pre>	<pre data-bbox="1127 1199 1367 1389">/usr/local/cpanel/bin/servers_queue unschedule TQ:TaskQueue-Scheduler:43</pre>
run	<p>Use this argument to perform a synchronous flush of the task queue, which runs all of the task queue's queued jobs immediately. This argument does not return output.</p>	<pre data-bbox="1127 1685 1367 1776">/usr/local/cpanel/bin/servers_queue run</pre>

help	Use this argument to display usage information for the script.	/usr/local/cpanel/bin/servers_queue help
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Task queue subprocesses

The following table lists the subprocesses in the `/usr/local/cpanel/Cpanel/TaskProcessors` directory that services can pass to the `/usr/local/cpanel/bin/servers_queue` script:

Module	Function
ApacheTasks.pm	apache_restart
ApacheTasks.pm	build_apache_conf
API.pm	verify_api_spec_files
BackupMetadataConversion.pm	backups_create_metadata
BackupMetadata.pm	vacuum_metadata
BackupMountTasks.pm	release_mount_lock
BandwidthDBTasks.pm	create_bandwidthhdb
BINDTasks.pm	rndc
CgiCleanupTasks.pm	clean_cgiemail
CheckRPMTasks.pm	check_cpanel_rpms
CheckRPMTasks.pm	update_horde_config
ClamTasks.pm	fresh_clam
CPAddons.pm	rebuild_available_rpm_addons_cache
CpDBTasks.pm	ftp_update
CpDBTasks.pm	update_userdata_cache
CpDBTasks.pm	build_global_cache
CpDBTasks.pm	update_domainips_and_deps
cPHulkTasks.pm	purge_old_logins
cPHulkTasks.pm	add_known_ip_for_user
cPHulkTasks.pm	notify_login
cPHulkTasks.pm	notify_brute
cPHulkTasks.pm	update_country_ips
Cplisc.pm	check
CpServicesTasks.pm	startcpsrvd
CpServicesTasks.pm	restartsrv
CpServicesTasks.pm	setupservice
CpServicesTasks.pm	hupcpsrvd
DAV.pm	dav_change_hostname

DKIMTasks.pm	setup_dkim_keys
DKIMTasks.pm	update_keys
DKIMTasks.pm	enable_spf_dkim_globally
DNSTasks.pm	remove_zones
DovecotTasks.pm	flush_dovecot_auth_cache
DovecotTasks.pm	flush_entire_account_dovecot_auth_cache
DovecotTasks.pm	build_mail_sni_dovecot_conf
DovecotTasks.pm	restartdovecot
DovecotTasks.pm	reloaddovecot
EximTasks.pm	builddeximconf
FilemanTasks.pm	empty_trash
HordeTasks.pm	setup_horde_db
HordeTasks.pm	clean_horde_db
LocaleTasks.pm	build_locale_databases
LogdTasks.pm	runweblogs
MydnsTasks.pm	importmydnsdb
MysqlTasks.pm	flushprivs
MysqlTasks.pm	mysqluserstore
MysqlTasks.pm	dbstoregrants
MysqlTasks.pm	dbindex
MysqlTasks.pm	protecthomecheck
NameServerIPTasks.pm	updatenameserveriplist
NotificationTasks.pm	notify
NotificationTasks.pm	notify_from_subqueue
PaperLantern.pm	pl_update_users
PerlModuleTasks.pm	installtaskcpanelcore
PHPFPMTasks.pm	ensure_fpm_on_boot
PHPFPMTasks.pm	enable_fpm
PHPFPMTasks.pm	rebuild_fpm
PluginTasks.pm	install_plugin
PluginTasks.pm	uninstall_plugin
ProxySubdomains.pm	check_proxy_subdomains
ProxySubdomains.pm	remove_autodiscover_proxy_subdomains
ProxySubdomains.pm	add_autodiscover_proxy_subdomains
ProxySubdomains.pm	update_autodiscover_proxy_subdomains
ProxySubdomains.pm	remove_proxy_subdomains
ProxySubdomains.pm	add_proxy_subdomains

ResellerTasks.pm	setup_reseller_and_sync_web_vhosts
RubyTasks.pm	write_gemrc
SpamassassinTasks.pm	enable_spamassassin
SSLCleanupTasks.pm	autossl_purge_user
SSLCleanupTasks.pm	unset_tls
SSLTasks.pm	instal_best_available_certificate_for_domain
SSLTasks.pm	autossl_check
SystemTasks.pm	recache_system_reboot_data
TailwatchTasks.pm	restarttailwatch
TailwatchTasks.pm	reloadtailwatch
TailwatchTasks.pm	eximstats_import_sql_file
TemplateTasks.pm	rebuild_templates
TestTasks.pm	sleep
WHMChromeTasks.pm	rebuild_whm_chrome

Additional documentation

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