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NAME

sftp-server ? OpenSSH SFTP server subsystem

### **SYNOPSIS**

sftp-server [-ehR] [-d start\_directory] [-f log\_facility] [-l log\_level]

[-P denied\_requests] [-p allowed\_requests] [-u umask]

sftp-server -Q protocol\_feature

## **DESCRIPTION**

sftp-server is a program that speaks the server side of SFTP protocol to stdout and expects client requests from stdin. sftp-server is not intended to be called directly, but from sshd(8) using the Subsystem option.

Command-line flags to sftp-server should be specified in the Subsystem declaration. See sshd\_config(5) for more information.

Valid options are:

-d start\_directory

Specifies an alternate starting directory for users. The pathname may contain the following tokens that are expanded at runtime: %% is replaced by a literal '%', %d is replaced by the home directory of the user being authenticated, and %u is re? placed by the username of that user. The default is to use the user's home direc? tory. This option is useful in conjunction with the sshd\_config(5) ChrootDirectory option.

Causes sftp-server to print logging information to stderr instead of syslog for de?
 bugging.

### -f log facility

Specifies the facility code that is used when logging messages from sftp-server.

The possible values are: DAEMON, USER, AUTH, LOCAL0, LOCAL1, LOCAL2, LOCAL3, LOCAL4, LOCAL5, LOCAL6, LOCAL7. The default is AUTH.

-h Displays sftp-server usage information.

#### -l log level

Specifies which messages will be logged by sftp-server. The possible values are:

QUIET, FATAL, ERROR, INFO, VERBOSE, DEBUG, DEBUG1, DEBUG2, and DEBUG3. INFO and

VERBOSE log transactions that sftp-server performs on behalf of the client. DEBUG

and DEBUG1 are equivalent. DEBUG2 and DEBUG3 each specify higher levels of debug?

ging output. The default is ERROR.

### -P denied\_requests

Specifies a comma-separated list of SFTP protocol requests that are banned by the server. sftp-server will reply to any denied request with a failure. The -Q flag can be used to determine the supported request types. If both denied and allowed lists are specified, then the denied list is applied before the allowed list.

#### -p allowed\_requests

Specifies a comma-separated list of SFTP protocol requests that are permitted by the server. All request types that are not on the allowed list will be logged and replied to with a failure message.

Care must be taken when using this feature to ensure that requests made implicitly by SFTP clients are permitted.

#### -Q protocol feature

Queries protocol features supported by sftp-server. At present the only feature that may be queried is ?requests?, which may be used to deny or allow specific re? quests (flags -P and -p respectively).

-R Places this instance of sftp-server into a read-only mode. Attempts to open files for writing, as well as other operations that change the state of the filesystem, will be denied.

#### -u umask

Sets an explicit umask(2) to be applied to newly-created files and directories, in? stead of the user's default mask.

sftp-server in a chroot configuration therefore requires that syslogd(8) establish a logging socket inside the chroot directory.

## SEE ALSO

sftp(1), ssh(1), sshd\_config(5), sshd(8)

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October 2001, work in progress material.

## HISTORY

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