



## ***Red Hat Enterprise Linux Release 9.2 Manual Pages on 'npm-start.1' command***

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npm-start - Start a package

Synopsis

npm start [-- <args>]

Description

This runs a predefined command specified in the "start" property of a package's "scripts" object.

If the "scripts" object does not define a "start" property, npm will run node server.js.

Note that this is different from the default node behavior of running the file specified in a package's "main" attribute when evoking with node .

As of npm@2.0.0 <https://blog.npmjs.org/post/98131109725/npm-2-0-0>, you can use custom arguments when executing scripts. Refer to npm help run-script for more details.

Example

```
{
  "scripts": {
    "start": "node foo.js"
  }
}
```

```
}
```

```
npm start
```

```
> npm@x.x.x start
```

```
> node foo.js
```

(foo.js output would be here)

## Configuration

### ignore-scripts

? Default: false

? Type: Boolean

If true, npm does not run scripts specified in package.json files.

Note that commands explicitly intended to run a particular script, such as `npm start`, `npm stop`, `npm restart`, `npm test`, and `npm run-script` will still run their intended script if `ignore-scripts` is set, but they will not run any pre- or post-scripts.

### script-shell

? Default: '/bin/sh' on POSIX systems, 'cmd.exe' on Windows

? Type: null or String

The shell to use for scripts run with the `npm exec`, `npm run` and `npm init <package-spec>` commands.

## See Also

? `npm help run-script`

? `npm help scripts`

? `npm help test`

? `npm help restart`

? `npm help stop`

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