

User Guide

Switched Rack Power Distribution Unit

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Introduction

Product Features

The American Power Conversion (APCTM) Switched Rack Power Distribution Unit (PDU) is a standalone, network-manageable power distribution device. The Rack PDU provides real-time remote monitoring of connected loads. User-defined alarms warn of potential circuit overloads. The Rack PDU provides full control over outlets through remote commands and user interface settings.

You can manage a Rack PDU through its Web interface, its command line interface (CLI), InfraStruxure Central, or Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP). (To use the PowerNet MIB with an SNMP browser, see the *PowerNet SNMP Management Information Base (MIB) Reference Guide*, available at www.apc.com.) Rack PDUs have these additional features:

- Peak load, and power and energy monitoring for all connected loads.
- Voltage, current, and power monitoring for phases.
- Current monitoring for outlet banks.
- Configurable alarm thresholds that provide network and visual alarms to help avoid overloaded circuits.
- Four levels of user access accounts: Administrator, Device User, Read-Only User, and Outlet User
- Independent outlet control.
- Configurable power delays.
- Up to twenty-four independent outlet user accounts.
- Event and data logging. The event log is accessible by Telnet, Secure CoPy (SCP), File Transfer Protocol (FTP), serial connection, or Web browser (using HTTPS access with SSL, or using HTTP access). The data log is accessible by Web browser, SCP, or FTP.
- E-mail notifications for Rack PDU and system events.
- SNMP traps, Syslog messages, and e-mail notifications based on the severity level or category of the Rack PDU and system events.
- Security protocols for authentication and encryption.



Note: The Rack PDU does not provide power surge protection. To ensure that the device is protected from power failure or power surges, connect the Rack PDU to an APC Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS).

Access Priorities for Logging on

Only one user at a time can log on to the Rack PDU. The priority for access, beginning with the highest priority, is as follows:

- Local access to the command line interface from a computer with a direct serial connection to the Rack PDU
- Telnet or Secure SHell (SSH) access to the command line interface from a remote computer
- Web access, either directly or through InfraStruxure Central



Note: See "SNMP" on page 90 for information about how SNMP access to the Rack PDU is controlled.

Types of User Accounts

The Rack PDU has four levels of access (Administrator, Device User, Read-Only User, and Outlet User), which are protected by user name and password requirements.

- An Administrator can use all of the menus in the Web interface and all of the commands in the command line interface. The default user name and password are both **apc**.
- A Device User can access only the following:
 - In the Web interface, the menus on the **Device Manager** tab, the **Environment** tab, and the event and data logs, accessible under the **Events** and **Data** headings on the left navigation menu of the **Logs** tab. The event and data logs display no button to clear the log.
 - In the command line interface, the equivalent features and options.

The default user name is **device**, and the default password is **apc**.

- A Read-Only User has the following restricted access:
 - Access through the Web interface only.
 - Access to the same tabs and menus as a Device User, but without the capability to change configurations, control devices, delete data, or use file transfer options. Links to configuration options are visible but disabled. The event and data logs display no button to clear the log.

The default user name is **readonly**, and the default password is **apc**.



To set **User Name** and **Password** values for the three account types above, see "Setting user access" on page 77.

- An Outlet User has the following restricted access:
 - Access through the Web interface and command line interface.
 - Access to the same menus as a Device User, but with limited capability to change configurations, control devices, delete data, or use file transfer options. Links to configuration options are visible but are disabled. The Outlet User has access to the **Outlet Control** menu option that allows the user to control the outlets assigned by the Administrator. Outlet Users cannot clear the event or data logs.

The user name and password are defined by the Administrator during the process of adding a new Outlet User.

Watchdog Features

Overview

To detect internal problems and recover from unanticipated inputs, the Rack PDU uses internal, systemwide watchdog mechanisms. When it restarts to recover from an internal problem, a **System:**Warmstart event is recorded in the event log.

Network interface watchdog mechanism

The Rack PDU implements internal watchdog mechanisms to protect itself from becoming inaccessible over the network. For example, if the Rack PDU does not receive any network traffic for 9.5 minutes (either direct traffic, such as SNMP, or broadcast traffic, such as an Address Resolution Protocol [ARP] request), it assumes that there is a problem with its network interface and restarts.

Resetting the network timer

To ensure that the Rack PDU does not restart if the network is quiet for 9.5 minutes, the Rack PDU attempts to contact the default gateway every 4.5 minutes. If the gateway is present, it responds to the Rack PDU, and the response restarts the 9.5-minute timer. If your application does not require or have a gateway, specify the IP address of a computer that is running on the network and is on the subnet. The network traffic of that computer will restart the 9.5-minute time frequently enough to prevent the Rack PDU from restarting.

Getting Started

To start using the Rack PDU:

- 1. Install the Rack PDU using the *Rack Power Distribution Unit Installation Instructions* that were shipped with your Rack PDU.
- 2. Apply power and connect to your network. Follow the directions in the *Rack Power Distribution Unit Installation Instructions*.
- 3. Establish network settings. (See "Establishing Network Settings" on page 4.)
- 4. Begin using the Rack PDU by way of one of the following:
 - "Web Interface" on page 51
 - "Command Line Interface" on page 14
 - "Rack PDU Front Panel" on page 9

Establishing Network Settings



Note: Disregard the procedures described in this section if you have APC InfraStruxure TM Central as part of your system. See the documentation for your InfraStruxure device for more information.

You must configure the following TCP/IP settings before the Rack PDU can operate on a network:

- IP address of the Rack PDU
- · Subnet mask
- · Default gateway



Note: If a default gateway is unavailable, use the IP address of a computer that is located on the same subnet as the Rack PDU and that is usually running. The Rack PDU uses the default gateway to test the network when traffic is very light.



Caution: Do not use the loopback address (127.0.0.1) as the default gateway address for the Rack PDU. It disables the card and requires you to reset TCP/IP settings to their defaults using a local serial login.



See "Watchdog Features" on page 3 for more information about the watchdog role of the default gateway.

TCP/IP configuration methods

Use one of the following methods to define the TCP/IP settings needed by the Rack PDU:

- "Device IP Configuration Wizard" on page 107
- "DHCP and BOOTP configuration" on page 5
- "Command Line Interface" on page 7

INI file utility

You can use the INI file export utility to export INI file settings from configured Rack PDUs to one or more unconfigured Rack PDUs. For more information, see "Use an .ini File" on page 103.

DHCP and BOOTP configuration

The default TCP/IP configuration setting, **DHCP**, assumes that a properly configured DHCP server is available to provide TCP/IP settings to Rack PDU. You can also configure the setting for BOOTP.



A user configuration (INI) file can function as a BOOTP or DHCP boot file. For more information, see "Use an .ini File" on page 103.



If neither of these servers is available, see "Device IP Configuration Wizard" on page 107 or "Command Line Interface" on page 7.

BOOTP. For the Rack PDU to use a BOOTP server to configure its TCP/IP settings, it must find a properly configured RFC951-compliant BOOTP server.

In the BOOTPTAB file of the BOOTP server, enter the Rack PDU's MAC address, IP address, subnet mask, and default gateway, and, optionally, a bootup file name. Look for the MAC address on the bottom of the Rack PDU or on the Quality Assurance slip included in the package.

When the Rack PDU reboots, the BOOTP server provides it with the TCP/IP settings.

- If you specified a bootup file name, the Rack PDU attempts to transfer that file from the BOOTP server using TFTP or FTP. The Rack PDU assumes all settings specified in the bootup file.
- If you did not specify a bootup file name, you can configure the other settings of the Rack PDU remotely through its "Web Interface" on page 51 or "Command Line Interface" on page 7; the user name and password are both **apc**, by default.



To create a bootup file, see your BOOTP server documentation.

DHCP. You can use an RFC2131/RFC2132-compliant DHCP server to configure the TCP/IP settings for the Rack PDU.



This section summarizes the Rack PDU's communication with a DHCP server. For more detail about how a DHCP server can configure the network settings for a Rack PDU, see "DHCP response options" on page 83.

- 1. The Rack PDU sends out a DHCP request that uses the following to identify itself:
 - A Vendor Class Identifier (APC by default)
 - A Client Identifier (by default, the MAC address of the Rack PDU)
 - A User Class Identifier (by default, the identification of the application firmware installed on the Rack PDU)
- 2. A properly configured DHCP server responds with a DHCP offer that includes all the settings that the Rack PDU needs for network communication. The DHCP offer also includes the Vendor Specific Information option (DHCP option 43). The Rack PDU can be configured to ignore DHCP offers that do not encapsulate the APC cookie in DHCP option 43 using the following hexadecimal format. (The Rack PDU does not require this cookie by default.)

Option 43 = 01 04 31 41 50 43

Where:

- The first byte (01) is the code.
- The second byte (04) is the length.
- The remaining bytes (31 41 50 43) are the APC cookie.



See your DHCP server documentation to add code to the Vendor Specific Information option.



Note: By selecting the **Require vendor specific cookie to accept DHCP Address** check box in the Web interface, you can require the DHCP server to provide an "APC" cookie, which supplies information to the Rack PDU: **Administration** > **Network**>**TCP/IP**>**ipv4 settings**.

Command Line Interface

- 1. Log on to the command line interface. See "Logging on to the Command Line Interface" on page 15.
- 2. Contact your network administrator to obtain the IP address, subnet mask, and default gateway for the Rack PDU.
- 3. Use these three commands to configure network settings. (Text in italics indicates a variable.)

```
a. tcpip -i yourIPaddress
```

b. tcpip -s yourSubnetMask

 $c.\ \text{tcpip}\ \text{-g}\ \textit{yourDefaultGateway}$

For each variable, type a numeric value that has the format xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx.

For example, to set a system IP address of 156.205.14.141, type the following command and press ENTER:

```
tcpip -i 156.205.14.141
```

4. Type exit. The Rack PDU restarts to apply the changes.

Recovering from a Lost Password

You can use a local computer (a computer that connects to the Rack PDU or other device through the serial port) to access the command line interface.

- 1. Select a serial port at the local computer, and disable any service that uses that port.
- 2. Connect the serial cable (APC part number 940-0144A) to the selected port on the computer and to the Serial port at the Rack PDU.
- 3. Run a terminal program (such as HyperTerminal[®]) and configure the selected port for 9600 bps, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit, and no flow control.
- 4. Press ENTER, repeatedly if necessary, to display the **User Name** prompt. If you are unable to display the **User Name** prompt, verify the following:
 - The serial port is not in use by another application.
 - The terminal settings are correct as specified in step 3.
 - The correct cable is being used as specified in step 2.
- 5. Press the **Reset** button. The Status LED will flash alternately orange and green. Press the **Reset** button a second time immediately while the LED is flashing to reset the user name and password to their defaults temporarily.
- 6. Press ENTER, repeatedly if necessary, to display the **User Name** prompt again, then use the default, **apc**, for the user name and password. (If you take longer than 30 seconds to log on after the **User Name** prompt is re-displayed, you must repeat step 5 and log on again.)
- 7. At the command line interface, use the following commands to change the **User Name** and **Password** settings, both of which are now **apc**:

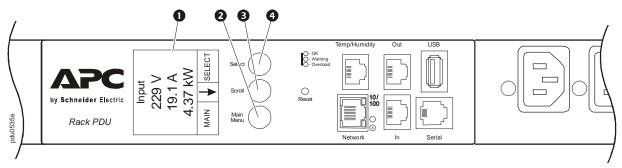
```
user -an yourAdministratorName
user -ap yourAdministratorPassword
```

For example, to change the Administrator user name to **Admin**, type:

```
user -an Admin
```

8. Type quit or exit to log off, reconnect any serial cable you disconnected, and restart any service you disabled.

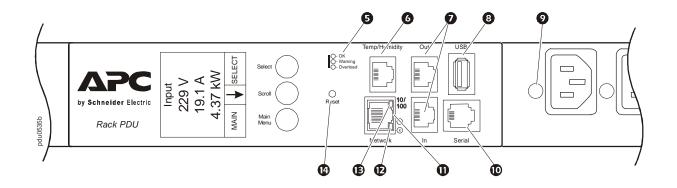
Rack PDU Front Panel





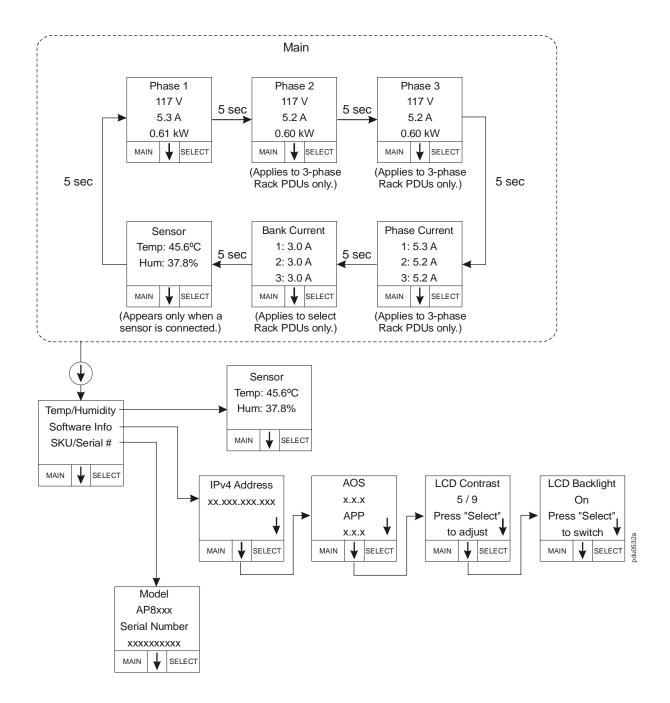
Note: Your APC product is configured so the display backlight turns off after 10 minutes of inactivity. The backlight can be turned on by depressing any button below the display.

| Item | | Function |
|------|------------------|--|
| 0 | Display | Shows information about the Rack PDU. In normal operation, input voltage, current, and power refreshes every five seconds. To reverse the text, press and hold simultaneously for five seconds the Main Menu (2), Scroll (3), and Select (4) buttons. See "Display tree" on page 11. |
| 2 | Main Menu button | Press to view the Rack PDU electrical input, shown below. Name |
| 3 | Scroll button | Press once to display the menu. Press additional times to highlight the desired menu option. SKU/Serial # SELECT MAIN SELECT STRUK SELECT STRUK SELECT STRUK |
| 4 | Select button | With a menu option highlighted, press the Select button to display Rack PDU information. Software Info is shown below. Value Valu |



| Iten | 1 | Function |
|------|---------------------------|--|
| 6 | OK, Warning, Overload LED | Indicates the status of the Rack PDU load. See "Load indicator LED" on page 13. |
| 6 | Temp/Humidity port | Port for connecting an APC Temperature Sensor (AP9335T) or an APC Temperature/Humidity Sensor (AP9335TH). |
| 0 | In and Out ports | (For future use) |
| 8 | USB port | For use with a flash drive for firmware upgrades. |
| 9 | Outlet status LED | Illuminates green when the outlet is energized. (Each outlet has an outlet LED.) |
| 0 | RJ-12 Serial Port | Port for connecting the Rack PDU to a terminal emulator program for local access to the command line interface. Use the supplied serial cable (APC part number 940-0144A). |
| 0 | 10/100 Base-T Connector | Connects the Rack PDU to the network. |
| Ø | Network status LED | See "Network Status LED" on page 12. |
| Œ | 10/100 LED | See "10/100 LED" on page 12. |
| • | Reset button | Resets the Rack PDU without affecting the outlet status. |

Display tree



Network Status LED

| Condition | Description | |
|---|--|--|
| Off | One of the following situations exists: • The Rack PDU is not receiving input power. • The Rack PDU is not operating properly. It may need to be repaired or replaced. Contact APC Customer Support. | |
| Solid Green | The Rack PDU has valid TCP/IP settings. | |
| Solid Orange | A hardware failure has been detected in the Rack PDU. Contact APC Customer Support. | |
| Flashing Green | The Rack PDU does not have valid TCP/IP settings. | |
| Flashing Orange | The Rack PDU is making BOOTP requests. | |
| Alternately flashing green and orange | If the LED is flashing slowly, the Rack PDU is making DHCP ² requests ¹ . If the LED is flashing rapidly, the Rack PDU is starting up. | |
| 1. If you do not use a BOOTP or DHCP server, see "Establishing Network Settings" on page 4 to configure the TCP/IP settings of the Rack PDU. 2. To use a DHCP server, see "TCP/IP and Communication Settings" on page 82 | | |

^{2.} To use a DHCP server, see "TCP/IP and Communication Settings" on page 82.

10/100 LED

| Condition | Description |
|-----------------|--|
| Off | One or more of the following situations exists: • The Rack PDU is not receiving input power. • The cable that connects the Rack PDU to the network is disconnected or defective • The device that connects the Rack PDU to the network is turned off. • The Rack PDU itself is not operating properly. It may need to be repaired or replaced. Contact APC Customer Support. |
| Solid green | The Rack PDU is connected to a network operating at 10 Megabits per second (Mbps). |
| Solid orange | The Rack PDU is connected to a network operating at 100 Mbps. |
| Flashing green | The Rack PDU is receiving or transmitting data packets at 10 Mbps. |
| Flashing orange | The Rack PDU is receiving or transmitting data packets at 100 Mbps. |

Load indicator LED

The load indicator LED identifies overload and warning conditions for the Rack PDU.

| Condition | Description |
|--------------|--|
| Solid Green | OK. No load alarms (warning or critical) are present. |
| Solid Yellow | Warning. At least one load warning alarm is present, but no critical alarms are present. |
| Flashing Red | Overload. At least one load critical alarm is present. |

Command Line Interface

About the Command Line Interface

You can use the command line interface to view the status of and configure and manage the Rack PDU. In addition, the command line interface enables you to create scripts for automated operation. An Administrator has full access to the command line interface, a Device user and Outlet User have limited access, and a Read-Only user is completely restricted. (For additional details, see "Types of User Accounts" on page 2.)

You can configure all parameters of a Rack PDU (including those for which there are not specific CLI commands) by using the CLI to transfer an INI file to the Rack PDU. The CLI uses XMODEM to perform the transfer. However, you cannot read the current INI file through XMODEM.

Logging on to the Command Line Interface

To access the command line interface, you can use either a local (serial) connection or a remote (Telnet or SSH) connection with a computer on the same network as the Rack PDU.

Remote access to the command line interface

You can access the command line interface through Telnet or SSH. Telnet is enabled by default. Enabling SSH disables Telnet.

To enable or disable these access methods, use the Web interface. On the **Administration** tab, select **Network** on the top menu bar, and then the **access** option under **Console** on the left navigation menu.

Telnet for basic access. Telnet provides the basic security of authentication by user name and password, but not the high-security benefits of encryption.

To use Telnet to access the command line interface:

- 1. From a computer that has access to network on which the Rack PDU is installed, at a command prompt, type telnet and the IP address for the Rack PDU (for example, telnet 139.225.6.133, when the Rack PDU uses the default Telnet port of 23), and press ENTER.
 - If the Rack PDU uses a non-default port number (from 5000 to 32768), you must include a colon or a space, depending on your Telnet client, between the IP address (or DNS name) and the port number. (These are commands for general usage: some clients don't allow you to specify the port as an argument and some types of Linux might want extra commands).
- 2. Enter the user name and password (by default, **apc** and **apc** for an Administrator, or **device** and **apc** for a Device User).

If you cannot remember your user name or password, see "Recovering from a Lost Password" on page 8.

SSH for high-security access. If you use the high security of SSL for the Web interface, use SSH for access to the command line interface. SSH encrypts user names, passwords, and transmitted data. The interface, user accounts, and user access rights are the same whether you access the command line interface through SSH or Telnet, but to use SSH, you must first configure SSH and have an SSH client program installed on your computer.

Local access to the command line interface

For local access, use a computer that connects to the Rack PDU through the serial port to access the command line interface:

- 1. Select a serial port at the computer and disable any service that uses that port.
- 2. Connect the serial cable (APC part number 940-0144A) from the selected serial port on the computer to the **Serial** port on the Rack PDU.
- 3. Run a terminal program (e.g., HyperTerminal) and configure the selected port for 9600 bps, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit, and no flow control.
- 4. Press ENTER. At the prompts, enter your user name and password.

About the Main Screen

Following is an example of the main screen, which is displayed when you log on to the command line interface of a Rack PDU.

American Power Conversion

(c)Copyright 2009 All Rights Reserved RPDU 2g

Name

Test Lab

Contact: Don Adams

Location: Building 3

Up Time: 0 Days, 21 Hours, 21 Minutes

Network Management Card AOS vx.x.x

vx.x.x

Date: 10/30/2009

Time: 5:58:30

User: Administrator

Stat: P+ N4+ N6+ A+

• Two fields identify the APC operating system (AOS) and application (APP) firmware versions. The application firmware name identifies the type of device that connects to the network. In the example above, the application firmware for the Rack PDU is displayed.

```
Network Management Card AOS vx.x.x
RPDU 2g vx.x.x
```

• Three fields identify the system name, contact person, and location of the Rack PDU.

Name : Test Lab Contact : Don Adams Location : Building 3

• An **Up Time** field reports how long the Rack PDU has been running since it was last turned on or reset.

```
Up Time : 0 Days, 21 Hours, 21 Minutes
```

• Two fields identify when you logged in, by date and time.

Date : 10/30/2009 Time : 5:58:30

• The User field identifies whether you logged in through the Administrator or Device Manager account. (The Read Only User account cannot access the command line interface.)

User : Administrator

• A **Stat** field reports the Rack PDU status.

Stat : P+ N+ A+

| P+ | The APC operating system (AOS) is functioning properly. |
|----|---|
|----|---|

| IPv4 only | IPv6 only | IPv4 and IPv6* | Description |
|--------------|--------------|-------------------|--|
| N+ | N+ | N4+ N6+ | The network is functioning properly. |
| N? | N6? | N4? N6? | A BOOTP request cycle is in progress. |
| N- | N6- | N4- N6- | The Rack PDU failed to connect to the network. |
| N! | N6! | N4! N6! | Another device is using the Rack PDU IP address. |

 $[\]mbox{\ensuremath{^{\ast}}}$ The N4 and N6 values can be different from one another: you could, for example, have N4- N6+.

| A+ | The application is functioning properly. | |
|----|---|--|
| A- | The application has a bad checksum. | |
| A? | The application is initializing. | |
| A! | The application is not compatible with the AOS. | |



If P+ is not displayed, contact APC support staff.

Using the Command Line Interface

At the command line interface, use commands to configure the Rack PDU. To use a command, type the command and press ENTER. Commands and arguments are valid in lowercase, uppercase, or mixed case. Options are case-sensitive.

While using the command line interface, you can also do the following:

- Type ? and press ENTER to view a list of available commands, based on your account type.
- To obtain information about the purpose and syntax of a specified command, type the command, a space, and ? or the word help. For example, to view RADIUS configuration options, type:

```
radius ?
or
radius help
```

- Press the UP arrow key to view the command that was entered most recently in the session. Use the UP and DOWN arrow keys to scroll through a list of up to ten previous commands.
- Type at least one letter of a command and press the TAB key to scroll through a list of valid commands that match the text you typed in the command line.
- Type exit or quit to close the connection to the command line interface.

Command Syntax

| Item | Description | |
|------|--|--|
| - | Options are preceded by a hyphen. | |
| <> | Definitions of options are enclosed in angle brackets. For example: -dp <device password=""></device> | |
| [] | If a command accepts multiple options or an option accepts mutually exclusive arguments, the values may be enclosed in brackets. | |
| 1 | A vertical line between items enclosed in brackets or angle brackets indicates that the items are mutually exclusive. You must use one of the items. | |

Example of a command that supports multiple options:

```
user [-an <admin name>] [-ap <admin password>]
```

In this example, the user command accepts the option -an, which defines the Administrator user name, and the option -ap, which defines the Administrator password. To change the Administrator user name and password to XYZ:

- 1. Type the user command, one option, and the argument XYZ: user -ap XYZ
- After the first command succeeds, type the user command, the second option, and the argument XYZ:
 user -an XYZ

Example of a command that accepts mutually exclusive arguments for an option:

```
alarmcount -p [all | warning | critical]
```

In this example, the option -p accepts only three arguments: all, warning, or critical. For example, to view the number of active critical alarms, type:

```
alarmcount -p critical
```

The command will fail if you type an argument that is not specified.

Command Response Codes

The command response codes enable scripted operations to detect error conditions reliably without having to match error message text:

The CLI reports all command operations with the following format:

E [0-9] [0-9] [0-9] : Error message

| Code | Message |
|------|--|
| E000 | Success |
| E001 | Successfully Issued |
| E002 | Reboot required for change to take effect |
| E100 | Command failed |
| E101 | Command not found |
| E102 | Parameter Error |
| E103 | Command Line Error |
| E104 | User Level Denial |
| E105 | Command Prefill |
| E106 | Data Not Available |
| E107 | Serial communication with the Rack PDU has been lost |

Network Management Card Command Descriptions

Access: Administrator, Device User, Outlet User

Description: View a list of all the CLI commands available to your account type. To view help text for a specific command, type the command followed by a question mark.

Example: To view a list of options that are accepted by the alarmcount command, type:

alarmcount ?

about

Access: Administrator, Device User, Outlet User

Description: View hardware and firmware information. This information is useful in troubleshooting and enables you to determine if updated firmware is available at the APC Web site.

alarmcount

Access: Administrator, Device User, Outlet User

Description:

| Option | Arguments | Description |
|--------|-----------|---|
| -р | all | View the number of active alarms reported by the Rack PDU. Information about the alarms is provided in the event log. |
| | warning | View the number of active warning alarms. |
| | critical | View the number of active critical alarms. |

Example: To view all active warning alarms, type:

alarmcount -p warning

appcli

Access: Administrator, Device User, Outlet User

Description: Access the AP79XX series Rack PDU Command Line Interface. See AP79XX product documentation for command details.

boot

Access: Administrator only

Description: Define how the Rack PDU will obtain its network settings, including the IP address, subnet mask, and default gateway. Then configure the BOOTP or DHCP server settings.

| Option | Argument | Description |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| -b <boot mode></boot | dhcp bootp manual | Define how the TCP/IP settings will be configured when the Rack PDU turns on, resets, or restarts. See "TCP/IP and Communication Settings" on page 82 for information about each boot mode setting. |
| -с | enable disable | dhcp and dhcpBootp boot modes only. Enable or disable the requirement that the DHCP server provide the APC cookie. |

The default values for these three settings generally do not need to be changed:

- -v <vendor class>: APC -i <client id>: The MAC address of the Rack PDU, which uniquely identifies it on the network
- -u <user class>: The name of the application firmware module

Example: To use a DHCP server to obtain network settings:

- 1. Type boot -b dhcp
- 2. Enable the requirement that the DHCP server provide the APC cookie: boot -c enable

cd

Access: Administrator, Device User, Outlet User

Description: Navigate to a folder in the directory structure of the Rack PDU.

Example 1: To change to the ssh folder and confirm that an SSH security certificate was uploaded to the Rack PDU:

- 1. Type cd ssh and press ENTER.
- 2. Type dir and press ENTER to list the files stored in the SSH folder.

Example 2: To return to the main directory folder, type:

cd ..

console

Access: Administrator only

Description: Define whether users can access the command line interface using Telnet, which is enabled by default, or Secure SHell (SSH), which provides protection by transmitting user names, passwords, and data in encrypted form. You can change the Telnet or SSH port setting for additional security. Alternately, disable network access to the command line interface.

| Option | Argument | Description |
|--------|--------------------------------|---|
| -S | disable telnet ssh | Configure access to the command line interface, or use the disable command to prevent access. Enabling SSH enables SCP and disables Telnet. |
| -pt | <telnet n="" port=""></telnet> | Define the Telnet port used to communicate with the Rack PDU (23 by default). |
| -ps | <ssh n="" port=""></ssh> | Define the SSH port used to communicate with the Rack PDU (22 by default). |
| -b | 2400 9600 19200 38400 | Configure the speed of the serial port connection (9600 bps by default). |

Example 1: To enable SSH access to the command line interface, type:

console -S ssh

Example 2: To change the Telnet port to 5000, type:

console -pt 5000

date

Access: Administrator only

Definition: Configure the date used by the Rack PDU.



To configure an NTP server to define the date and time for the Rack PDU, see "Set the Date and Time" on page 102.

| Option | Argument | Description |
|--------|--|--|
| -d | <"datestring"> | Set the current date. Use the date format specified by the date -f command. |
| -t | <00:00:00> | Configure the current time, in hours, minutes, and seconds. Use the 24-hour clock format. |
| -f | mm/dd/yy dd.mm.yyyy mmm-dd-yy dd-mmm-yy yyyy-mm-dd | Select the numerical format in which to display all dates in this user interface. Each letter m (for month), d (for day), and y (for year) represents one digit. Single-digit days and months are displayed with a leading zero. |
| -Z | <time zone<br="">offset></time> | Set the difference with GMT in order to specify your time zone. This enables you to synchronize with other people in different time zones. |

Example 1: To display the date using the format yyyy-mm-dd, type:

date -f yyyy-mm-dd

Example 2: To define the date as October 30, 2009, using the format configured in the preceding example, type:

date -d "2009-10-30"

Example 3: To define the time as 5:21:03 p.m., type:

date -t 17:21:03

delete

Access: Administrator only

Description: Delete a file in the file system.

| | Argument | Description | |
|--|----------|--------------------------------------|--|
| <file name=""> Type the name of the file to delete.</file> | | Type the name of the file to delete. | |

dir

Access: Administrator, Device User, Outlet User

Description: View the files and folders stored on the Rack PDU.

dns

Access: Administrator only

Definition: Configure the manual Domain Name System (DNS) settings.

| Parameter | Argument | Description |
|-----------|---|-------------------------------|
| -OM | enable disable | Override the manual DNS. |
| -p | <pre><primary dns="" server=""></primary></pre> | Set the primary DNS server. |
| -S | <secondary dns<br="">server></secondary> | Set the secondary DNS server. |
| -d | <domain name=""></domain> | Set the domain name. |
| -n | <domain name<br="">IPv6></domain> | Set the domain name IPv6. |
| -h | <host name=""></host> | Set the host name. |

eventlog

Access: Administrator, Device User, Outlet User

Description: View the date and time you retrieved the event log, the status of the Rack PDU, and the status of sensors connected to the Rack PDU. View the most recent device events and the date and time they occurred. Use the following keys to navigate the event log:

| Key | Description | |
|----------|--|--|
| ESC | Close the event log and return to the command line interface. | |
| ENTER | Update the log display. Use this command to view events that were recorded after you last retrieved and displayed the log. | |
| SPACEBAR | View the next page of the event log. | |
| В | View the preceding page of the event log. This command is not available at the main page of the event log. | |
| D | Delete the event log. Follow the prompts to confirm or deny the deletion. Deleted events cannot be retrieved. | |

exit

Access: Administrator, Device User, Outlet User

Description: Exit from the command line interface session.

format

Access: Administrator only

Description: Reformat the file system of the Rack PDU and erase all security certificates, encryption keys, configuration settings, and the event and data logs. Be careful with this command.



Note: To reset the Rack PDU to its default configuration, use the resetToDef command.

FTP

Access: Administrator only

Description: Enable or disable access to the FTP server. Optionally, change the port setting to the number of any unused port from 5001 to 32768 for added security.

| Option | Argument | Definition |
|--------|-------------------------|--|
| -p | <port number=""></port> | Define the TCP/IP port that the FTP server uses to communicate with the Rack PDU (21 by default). The FTP server uses both the specified port and the port one number lower than the specified port. |
| -S | enable disable | Configure access to the FTP server. |

Example: To change the TCP/IP port to 5001, type:

ftp -p 5001

help

Access: Administrator, Device User, Outlet User

Description: View a list of all the CLI commands available to your account type. To view help text for a specific command, type the command followed by help.

Example 1: To view a list of commands available to someone logged on as a Device User, type: help

Example 2: To view a list of options that are accepted by the alarmcount command, type: alarmcount help

netstat

Access: Administrator, Device User, Outlet User

Description: View the status of the network and all active IPv4 and IPv6 addresses.

ntp

Access: Administrator

Description: View and configure the network time protocol parameters.

| Option | Argument | Definition |
|--------|---|-------------------------------|
| -OM | enable disable | Override the manual settings. |
| -p | <pre><pre><pre><pre><pre>Server></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre> | Specify the primary server. |
| -S | <pre><secondary ntp="" server=""></secondary></pre> | Specify the secondary server. |

Example 1: To enable the override of manual setting, type:

ntp -OM enable

Example 2: To specify the primary NTP server, type:

ntp -p 150.250.6.10

ping

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description. Determine whether the device with the IP address or DNS name you specify is connected to the network. Four inquiries are sent to the address.

| Argument | Description |
|---|---|
| <ip address="" dns="" name="" or=""></ip> | Type an IP address with the format xxx.xxx.xxx, or the DNS name configured by the DNS server. |

Example: To determine whether a device with an IP address of 150.250.6.10 is connected to the network, type:

ping 150.250.6.10

portSpeed

Access: Administrator

Description:

| Option | Arguments | Description |
|--------|------------------------------------|--|
| -S | auto 10H 10F 100H 100 F | Define the communication speed of the Ethernet port. The auto command enables the Ethernet devices to negotiate to transmit at the highest possible speed. See "Port Speed" on page 85 for more information about the port speed settings. |

Example: To configure the TCP/IP port to communicate using 100 Mbps with half-duplex communication (communication in only one direction at a time), type: portspeed -s 100H

prompt

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Configure the command line interface prompt to include or exclude the account type of the currently logged-in user. Any user can change this setting; all user accounts will be updated to use the new setting.

| Option | Argument | Description |
|--------|----------|---|
| -S | long | The prompt includes the account type of the currently logged-in user. |
| | short | The default setting. The prompt is four characters long: APC> |

Example: To include the account type of the currently logged-in user in the command prompt, type: prompt -s long

quit

Access: Administrator, Device User, Outlet User

Description: Exit from the command line interface session (this works the same as the exit command).

radius

Access: Administrator only

Description: View the existing RADIUS settings, enable or disable RADIUS authentication, and configure basic authentication parameters for up to two RADIUS servers.



For a summary of RADIUS server configuration and a list of supported RADIUS servers, see "Configuring the RADIUS Server" on page 80.

Additional authentication parameters for RADIUS servers are available at the Web interface of the Rack PDU. See "RADIUS" on page 79 for more information.

For detailed information about configuring your RADIUS server, see the *Security Handbook*, available at **www.apc.com**.

| Option | Argument | Description |
|------------|------------------------------|--|
| -a | local radiusLocal | Configure RADIUS authentication: |
| | radius | local—RADIUS is disabled. Local authentication is enabled. |
| | | radiusLocal—RADIUS, then Local Authentication. RADIUS and local authentication are enabled. Authentication is requested from the RADIUS server first. If the RADIUS server fails to respond, local authentication is used. |
| | | radius—RADIUS is enabled. Local authentication is disabled. |
| -p1 -p2 | <server ip=""></server> | The server name or IP address of the primary or secondary RADIUS server. |
| p2 | | Note: RADIUS servers use port 1812 by default to authenticate users. To use a different port, add a colon followed by the new port number to the end of the RADIUS server name or IP address. |
| -s1 -s2 | <server secret=""></server> | The shared secret between the primary or secondary RADIUS server and the Rack PDU. |
| -t1 -t2 | <server timeout=""></server> | The time in seconds that the Rack PDU waits for a response from the primary or secondary RADIUS server. |

Example 1:

To view the existing RADIUS settings for the Rack PDU, type radius and press ENTER.

Example 2: To enable RADIUS and local authentication, type:

radius -a radiusLocal

Example 3: To configure a 10-second timeout for a secondary RADIUS server, type:

radius -t2 10

reboot

Access: Administrator only

Description: Restart the interface of the Rack PDU.

resetToDef

Access: Administrator only

Description: Reset all parameters to their default.

| Option | Arguments | Description |
|--------|--------------|--|
| -р | all keepip | Reset all configuration changes, including event actions, device settings, and, optionally, TCP/IP configuration settings. |

Example: To reset all of the configuration changes *except* the TCP/IP settings for the Rack PDU, type: resetToDef -p keepip

snmp, snmpv3

Access: Administrator only

Description: Enable or disable SNMP 1 or SNMP 3.

| Option | Arguments | Description |
|--------|------------------|---|
| -S | enable disable | Enable or display the respective version of SNMP, 1 or 3. |

Example: To enable SNMP version 1, type:

snmp -S enable

system

Access: Administrator only

Description: View and set the system name, the contact, the location and view up time as well as the date and time, the logged-on user, and the high-level system status P, N, A (see "About the Main Screen" on page 16 for more information about system status).

| Option | Argument | Description |
|--------|-------------------------------|---|
| -n | <system name=""></system> | Define the device name, the name of the person responsible for the |
| -c | <system contact=""></system> | device, and the physical location of the device. Note: If you define a value with more than one word, you must |
| -1 | <system location=""></system> | enclose the value in quotation marks. These values are also used by InfraStruxure Central and the Rack PDU's SNMP agent. |

Example 1: To set the device location as Test Lab, type:

system -1 "Test Lab"

Example 2: To set the system name as Don Adams, type:

system -n "Don Adams"

tcpip

Access: Administrator only

Description: View and manually configure these network settings for the Rack PDU:

| Option | Argument | Description |
|--------|---------------------------|--|
| -i | <ip address=""></ip> | Type the IP address of the Rack PDU, using the format xxx.xxx.xxx |
| -S | <subnet mask=""></subnet> | Type the subnet mask for the Rack PDU. |
| -g | <gateway></gateway> | Type the IP address of the default gateway. Do not use the loopback address (127.0.0.1) as the default gateway. |
| -d | <domain name=""></domain> | Type the DNS name configured by the DNS server. |
| -h | <host name=""></host> | Type the host name that the Rack PDU will use. |

Example 1: To view the network settings of the Rack PDU, type topip and press ENTER.

Example 2: To manually configure an IP address of 150.250.6.10 for the Rack PDU, type: tcpip -i 150.250.6.10

tcpip6

Access: Administrator only

Description: Enable IPv6 and view and manually configure these network settings for the Rack PDU:

| Option | Argument | Description |
|--------|--|--|
| -S | enable disable | Enable or disable IPv6. |
| -man | enable disable | Enable manual addressing for the IPv6 address of the Rack PDU. |
| -auto | enable disable | Enable the Rack PDU to automatically configure the IPv6 address. |
| -i | <ipv6 address=""></ipv6> | Set the IPv6 address of the Rack PDU. |
| -g | <ipv6 gateway=""></ipv6> | Set the IPv6 address of the default gateway. |
| -d6 | router statefull statelss never | Set the DHCPv6 mode, with parameters of router controlled, statefull (for address and other information, they maintain their status), stateless (for information other than address, the status is not maintained), never. |

Example 1: To view the network settings of the Rack PDU, type tcpip6 and press ENTER.

Example 2: To manually configure an IPv6 address of 2001:0:0:0:0:0:57ab for the Rack PDU, type:

tcpip -i 2001:0:0:0:0:57ab

user

Access: Administrator only

Description: Configure the user name, password, and inactivity timeout for the Administrator, Device User, and Read-Only User account types.



For information on the permissions granted to each account type, see "Types of User Accounts" on page 2.

| Option | Argument | Description |
|-------------------|---|---|
| -an -dn -rn | <admin name=""> <device name=""> <read-only name=""></read-only></device></admin> | Set the case-sensitive user name for each account type. The maximum length is 10 characters. |
| -ap -dp -rp | <admin password=""> <device password=""> <read-only password=""></read-only></device></admin> | Set the case-sensitive password for each account type. The maximum length is 32 characters. Blank passwords (passwords with no characters) are not allowed. |
| -t | <minutes></minutes> | Configure the time (3 minutes by default) that the system waits before logging off an inactive user. |

Example 1: To change the Administrator user name to XYZ, type:

user -an XYZ

Example 2: To change the log off time to 10 minutes, type:

user -t 10

web

Access: Administrator only

Description: Enable access to the Web interface using HTTP or HTTPS.

For additional security, you can change the port setting for HTTP and HTTPS to any unused port from 5000 to 32768. Users must then use a colon (:) in the address field of the browser to specify the port number. For example, for a port number of 5000 and an IP address of 152.214.12.114, type:

http://152.214.12.114:5000

| Option | Argument | Definition |
|--------|------------------------------|---|
| -S | disable http https | Configure access to the Web interface. When HTTPS is enabled, data is encrypted during transmission and authenticated by digital certificate. |
| -ph | <http #="" port=""></http> | Define the TCP/IP port used by HTTP to communicate with the Rack PDU (80 by default). |
| -ps | <https #="" port=""></https> | Define the TCP/IP port used by HTTPS to communicate with the Rack PDU (443 by default). |

Example: To prevent all access to the Web interface, type:

web -S disable

xferINI

Access: Administrator only

Description: Use XMODEM to upload an INI file while you are accessing the command line interface through a serial connection. After the upload completes:

- If there are any system or network changes, the command line interface restarts and you must log on again.
- If you selected a baud rate for the file transfer that is not the same as the default baud rate for the Rack PDU, you must reset the baud rate to the default to reestablish communication with the Rack PDU.

xferStatus

Access: Administrator only

Description: View the result of the last file transfer.



See "Verifying Upgrades and Updates" on page 120 for descriptions of the transfer result codes

Device Command Descriptions

bk

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or view the bank low-load threshold current in amps. You can specify all banks, a single bank, a range, or a comma-separated list of single banks and/or ranges.

Example 1: To set the low-load threshold for all banks to 1A, type:

```
apc> bk all 1
E000: Success
```

Example 2: To view the low-load threshold setting for banks 1 through 3, type:

```
apc> bk 1-3
E000: Success
1: 1 A
2: 1 A
3: 1 A
```

bkNearOver

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or view the bank near-overload threshold current in amps. You can specify all banks, a single bank, a range, or a comma-separated list of single banks and/or ranges.

Example 1: To set the near-overload threshold for all banks to 10A, type:

```
apc> bkNearOver all 10
E000: Success
```

Example 2: To view the near-overload threshold setting for banks 1 through 3, type:

```
apc> bkNearOver 1-3
E000: Success
1: 10 A
2: 10 A
3: 10 A
```

bkOverLoad

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or view the bank overload threshold current in amps. You can specify all banks, a single bank, a range, or a comma-separated list of single banks and/or ranges.

Example 1: To set the bank overload threshold for all banks to 13A, type:

```
apc> bkOverLoad all 13
E000: Success
```

Example 2: To view the bank overload threshold setting for banks 1 through 3, type:

```
apc> bkOverLoad 1-3
E000: Success
1: 13 A
2: 13 A
3: 13 A
```

bkReading

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: View the current reading (measurement) in amps for a bank. You can specify all banks, a single bank, a range, or a comma-separated list of single banks and/or ranges.

Example 1: To view the current reading for bank 3, type:

```
apc> bkReading 3
E000: Success
3: 4.2 A
```

Example 2: To view the current reading for all banks, type:

```
apc> bkReading all
E000: Success
1: 6.3 A
2: 5.1 A
3: 4.2 A
```

bkRestrictn

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or read the overload restriction feature to prevent users from applying power to outlets when an overload threshold is violated. Acceptable arguments are none, near, and over. To specify phases, choose from the following options. Type: all, a single phase, a range, or a comma-separated list of phases.

Example 1: To set the overload restriction for phase three to none, type:

```
apc> bkRestrictn 3 none
E000: Success
```

Example 2: To view the overload restrictions for all phases, type:

```
apc> bkRestrictn all
E000: Success
1: over
2: near
3: none
```

dev

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or view the low-load threshold in kilowatts for the device.

Example 1: To view the low-load threshold, type:

```
apc> dev
E000: Success
0.5 kW
```

Example 2: To set the low-load threshold to 1 kW, type:

```
apc> dev 1.0 E000: Success
```

devNearOver

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or view the near-overload threshold in kilowatts for the device.

Example 1: To view the near-overload threshold, type:

apc> devNearOver
E000: Success
20.5 kW

Example 2: To set the near-overload threshold to 21.3 kW, type:

apc> devNearOver 21.3
E000: Success

devOverLoad

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or view the overload threshold in kilowatts for the device.

Example 1: To view the overload threshold, type:

apc> devOverLoad
E000: Success
25.0 kW

Example 2: To set the overload threshold to 25.5 kW, type:

apc> devOverLoad 25.5
E000: Success

devReading

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: View the total power in kilowatts or total energy in kilowatt-hours for the device.

| Argument | Definition |
|----------|--|
| power | View the total power in kilowatts. |
| energy | View the total energy in kilowatt-hours. |

Example 1: To view the total power, type:

apc> devReading power
E000: Success
5.2 kW

Example 2: To view the total energy, type:

apc> devReading energy
E000: Success
200.1 kWh

devStartDly

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or view the amount of time in seconds, which is added to each outlet's Power On Delay before the outlet will turn on after power is applied to the Switched Rack PDU. Allowed values are within the range of 1 to 300 seconds or never (never turn on).

Example 1: To view the cold start delay, type:

```
apc> devStartDly
E000: Success
5 seconds
```

Example 2: To set the cold start delay to six seconds, type:

```
apc> devStartDly 6
E000: Success
```

humLow

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or view the low humidity threshold as a percent of the relative humidity.

Example 1: To view the low humidity threshold, type:

```
apc> humLow
E000: Success
10 %RH
```

Example 2: To set the low humidity threshold, type:

```
apc> humLow 12
E000: Success
```

humMin

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or view the minimum humidity threshold as a percent of the relative humidity.

Example 1: To view the minimum humidity threshold, type:

```
apc> humMin
E000: Success
6 %RH
```

Example 2: To set the minimum humidity threshold, type:

```
apc> humMin 8
E000: Success
```

humReading

Access: Administrator, Device User, Outlet User

Description: View the humidity value from the sensor.

Example: To view the humidity value, type:

apc> humReading
E000: Success

25 %RH

olAssignUsr

Access: Administrator

Description: Assign control of outlets to an outlet user that exists in the local database.

| Argument | Definition |
|---------------------------|--|
| all | All device outlets. |
| <outlet name=""></outlet> | The name configured for a specific outlet. (See "olName" on page 40.) |
| <outlet#></outlet#> | A single number or a range of numbers separated with a dash, or a comma- separated list of single outlet numbers and number ranges. |
| <user></user> | A user that exists in the local database. (See "userAdd" on page 49.) |

Example 1: To assign a user named Bobby to outlets 3, 5 through 7, and 10, type:

apc> olAssignUsr 3,5-7,10 bobby

E000: Success

Example 2: To assign a user named Billy to all outlets, type:

apc> olAssignUsr all billy

E000: Success

olCancelCmd

Access: Administrator, Device User, and Outlet User, but only for outlets to which the user is assigned.

Description: Cancels all pending commands for an outlet or group of outlets.

| Argument | Definition |
|---------------------------|---|
| all | All device outlets. |
| <outlet name=""></outlet> | The name configured for a specific outlet. (See "olName" on page 40.) |
| <outlet#></outlet#> | A single number or a range of numbers separated with a dash, or a commaseparated list of single outlet numbers and number ranges. |

Example: To cancel all commands for outlet 3, type:

apc> olCancelCmd 3

E000: Success

olDlyOff

Access: Administrator, Device User, and Outlet User, but only for outlets to which the user is assigned.

Description: Turns off an outlet or group of outlets after the Power Off Delay (see "olOffDelay" on page 42).

| Argument | Definition |
|---------------------------|--|
| all | All device outlets. |
| <outlet name=""></outlet> | The name configured for a specific outlet. (See "olName" on page 40.) |
| <outlet#></outlet#> | A single number or a range of numbers separated with a dash, or a comma- separated list of single outlet numbers and number ranges. |

Example 1: To turn off outlets 3, 5 through 7, and 10, type:

apc> olDlyOff 3,5-7,10

E000: Success

Example 2: To turn off all outlets, type:

apc> olDlyOff all
E000: Success

olDlyOn

Access: Administrator, Device User, and Outlet User, but only for outlets to which the user is assigned.

Description: Turns on an outlet or group of outlets after the Power On Delay (see "olOnDelay" on page 43).

| Argument | Definition |
|---------------------------|--|
| all | All device outlets. |
| <outlet name=""></outlet> | The name configured for a specific outlet. (See "olName" on page 40.) |
| <outlet#></outlet#> | A single number or a range of numbers separated with a dash, or a comma- separated list of single outlet numbers and number ranges. |

Example 1: To turn on outlets 3, 5 through 7, and 10, type:

apc> olDlyOn 3,5-7,10

E000: Success

Example 2: To turn on an outlet with the configured name of Outlet1, type:

apc> olDlyOn outlet1

E000: Success

olDlyReboot

Access: Administrator, Device User, and Outlet User, but only for outlets to which the user is assigned.

Description: Cycles power to an outlet or a group of outlets. The specified outlets will be turned off based on the configured Power Off Delay (see "olOffDelay" on page 42). After the longest Reboot Duration (see "olRbootTime" on page 44) of the selected outlets, the outlets will then begin to turn on based on the configured Power On Delays (see "olOnDelay" on page 43) set for the specified outlets.

| Argument | Definition |
|---------------------------|---|
| all | All device outlets. |
| <outlet name=""></outlet> | The name configured for a specific outlet. (See "olName" on page 40.) |
| <outlet#></outlet#> | A single number or a range of numbers separated with a dash, or a commaseparated list of single outlet numbers and number ranges. |

Example 1: To cycle power to outlets 3, 5 through 7, and 10, type:

```
apc> olDlyReboot 3,5-7,10
E000: Success
```

Example 2: To cycle power to an outlet with the configured name of Outlet1, type:

```
apc> olDlyReboot outlet1
E000: Success
```

olGroups

Access: Administrator, Device User, and Outlet User.

Description: List the outlet synchronization groups defined on the switched rack PDU. (See "Configure and Control Outlet Groups" on page 58 for more information.)

Example: To list outlets synchronization groups, type:

```
apc> olGroups
E000: Success
Outlet Group A:
159.215.6.141 -> Outlets: 2,4,5
159.215.6.143 -> Outlets: 2,8
Outlet Group B:
159.215.6.141 -> Outlets: 1
159.215.6.166 -> Outlets: 1
```

olName

Access: Administrator, Device User, and Outlet User, but only for outlets to which the user is assigned.

Description: Set or view the name configured for an outlet.

| Argument | Definition |
|---------------------|---|
| all | All device outlets. |
| <outlet#></outlet#> | A single number or a range of numbers separated with a dash, or a commaseparated list of single outlet numbers and number ranges. |

| Argument | Definition |
|---------------------|---|
| <newname></newname> | The name for a specific outlet. Use only letters and numbers. |

Example: To configure the name for outlet 3 to BobbysServer, type:

apc> olName 3 BobbysServer

E000: Success
3: BobbysServer
5: BillysServer
6: JoesServer
7: JacksServer

olOff

Access: Administrator, Device User, and Outlet User, but only for outlets to which the user is assigned.

Description: Turn off an outlet or group of outlets without any delay.

| Argument | Definition |
|---------------------------|---|
| all | All device outlets. |
| <outlet name=""></outlet> | The name configured for a specific outlet. (See "olName" on page 40.) |
| <outlet#></outlet#> | A single number or a range of numbers separated with a dash, or a commaseparated list of single outlet numbers and number ranges. |

Example: To turn off outlets 3 and 5 through 7, type:

apc> olOff 3,5-7
E000: Success

olOffDelay

Access: Administrator, Device User, and Outlet User, but only for outlets to which the user is assigned.

Description: Set or view the time delay for the Off Delayed command (see "olDlyOff" on page 39) and for a Reboot Delayed command (see "olDlyReboot" on page 40).

| Argument | Definition |
|---------------------------|---|
| all | All device outlets. |
| <outlet name=""></outlet> | The name configured for a specific outlet. (See "olName" on page 40.) |
| <outlet#></outlet#> | A single number or a range of numbers separated with a dash, or a commaseparated list of single outlet numbers and number ranges. |
| <time></time> | A time for the delay within the range of 1 to 7200 seconds (2 hours). |

Example 1: To set a 9-second delay for turning off outlets 3 and 5 through 7, type:

apc> olOffDelay 3,5-7 9
E000: Success

Example 2: To view the delay for the Off Delayed command for outlets 3 and 5 through 7, type:

apc> olOffDelay 3,5-7

E000: Success

3: BobbysServer: 9 sec5: BillysServer: 9 sec6: JoesServer: 9 sec7: JacksServer: 9 sec

olOn

Access: Administrator, Device User, and Outlet User, but only for outlets to which the user is assigned.

Description: Turn on an outlet or group of outlets without any delay.

| Argument | Definition |
|---------------------------|---|
| all | All device outlets. |
| <outlet name=""></outlet> | The name configured for a specific outlet. (See "olName" on page 40.) |
| <outlet#></outlet#> | A single number or a range of numbers separated with a dash, or a commaseparated list of single outlet numbers and number ranges. |

Example: To turn on outlets 3 and 5 through 7, type:

apc> olOn 3,5-7
E000: Success

olOnDelay

Access: Administrator, Device User, and Outlet User, but only for outlets to which the user is assigned.

Description: Set or view the time delay for the On Delayed command (see "olDlyOn" on page 39) and for or a Reboot Delayed command (see "olDlyReboot" on page 40).

| Argument | Definition |
|---------------------------|---|
| all | All device outlets. |
| <outlet name=""></outlet> | The name configured for a specific outlet. (See "olName" on page 40.) |
| <outlet#></outlet#> | A single number or a range of numbers separated with a dash, or a commaseparated list of single outlet numbers and number ranges. |
| <time></time> | A time for the delay within the range of 1 to 7200 seconds (2 hours). |

Example 1: To set a 6-second delay for turning on outlets 3 and 5 through 7, type:

apc> olOnDelay 3,5-7 6

E000: Success

Example 2: To view the delay for the On Delayed command for outlets 3 and 5 through 7, type:

apc> olOnDelay 3,5-7

E000: Success

3: BobbysServer: 6 sec5: BillysServer: 6 sec6: JoesServer: 6 sec7: JacksServer: 6 sec

olRbootTime

Access: Administrator, Device User, and Outlet User, but only for outlets to which the user is assigned.

Description: Set or view the amount of time an outlet will remain off for a Reboot Delayed command (see "olDlyReboot" on page 40).

Example 1: To view the time set for outlets 3 and 5 through 7 to remain off during a reboot, type:

```
apc> olRbootTime 3,5-7
E000: Success
3: BobbysServer: 4 sec
5: BillysServer: 5 sec
6: JoesServer: 7 sec
7: JacksServer: 2 sec
```

Example 2: To set the time for outlets 3 and 5 through 7 to remain off during a reboot, type:

```
apc> olRbootTime 3,5-7 10
E000: Success
3: BobbysServer: 10 sec
5: BillysServer: 10 sec
6: JoesServer: 10 sec
7: JacksServer: 10 sec
```

olRboot

Access: Administrator, Device User, and Outlet User, but only for outlets to which the user is assigned.

Description: Cycle power to an outlet or group of outlets without any delays. If more than one outlet is specified, then those outlets will be cycled together.

| Argument | Definition |
|---------------------------|---|
| all | All device outlets. |
| <outlet name=""></outlet> | The name configured for a specific outlet. (See "olName" on page 40.) |
| <outlet#></outlet#> | A single number or a range of numbers separated with a dash, or a commaseparated list of single outlet numbers and number ranges. |

Example: To reboot outlets 3 and 5 through 7, type:

```
apc> olReboot 3,5-7
E000: Success
```

olStatus

Access: Administrator, Device User, and Outlet User, but only for outlets to which the user is assigned.

Description: View the status of specified outlets.

| Argument | Definition |
|---------------------------|--|
| all | All device outlets. |
| <outlet name=""></outlet> | The name configured for a specific outlet. (See "olName" on page 40.) |
| <outlet#></outlet#> | A single number or a range of numbers separated with a dash, or a comma- separated list of single outlet numbers and number ranges. |

Example: To view the status for outlets 3 and 5 through 7, type:

apc> olStatus 3,5-7

E000: Success

3: BobbysServer: On5: BillysServer: Off6: JoesServer: Off7: JacksServer: On

olUnasgnUsr

Access: Administrator

Description: Remove control of outlets from an outlet user that exists in the local database.

| Argument | Definition |
|---------------------------|---|
| all | All device outlets. |
| <outlet name=""></outlet> | The name configured for a specific outlet. (See "olName" on page 40.) |
| <outlet#></outlet#> | A single number or a range of numbers separated with a dash, or a commaseparated list of single outlet numbers and number ranges. |
| <user></user> | A user that exists in the local database. |

Example 1: To remove a user named Bobby from control of outlets 3, 5 through 7, and 10, type:

apc> olUnasgnUsr 3,5-7,10 bobby

E000: Success

Example 2: To remove a user named Billy from control of all outlets, type:

apc> olUnasgnUsr all billy

E000: Success

ph

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or view the phase low-load threshold in kilowatts. To specify phases, choose from the following options. Type: all, a single phase, a range, or a comma-separated list of phases.

Example 1: To set the low-load threshold for all phases to 1 kW, type:

```
apc> ph all 1
E000: Success
```

Example 2: To view the low-load threshold for phases 1 through 3, type:

```
apc> ph 1-3
E000: Success
1: 1 A
2: 1 A
3: 1 A
```

phNearOver

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or view the phase near-overload threshold in kilowatts. To specify phases, choose from the following options. Type: all, a single phase, a range, or a comma-separated list of phases.

Example 1: To set the near-overload threshold for all phases to 10 kW, type:

```
apc> phNearOver all 10
E000: Success
```

Example 2: To view the near-overload threshold for phases 1 through 3, type:

```
apc> phNearOver 1-3
E000: Success
1: 10 A
2: 10 A
3: 10 A
```

phOverLoad

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or view the phase overload threshold in kilowatts. To specify phases, choose from the following options. Type: all, a single phase, a range, or a comma-separated list of phases.

Example 1: To set the overload threshold for all phases to 13 kW, type:

```
apc> phOverLoad all 13
E000: Success
```

Example 2: To view the overload threshold for phases 1 through 3, type:

```
apc> phOverLoad 1-3
E000: Success
1: 13 A
2: 13 A
3: 13 A
```

phReading

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: View the current, voltage, or power for a phase. Set or view the phase near-overload threshold in kilowatts. You can specify all phases, a single phase, a range, or a comma-separated list of phases.

Example 1: To view the measurement for current for phase 3, type:

```
apc> phReading 3 current
E000: Success
3: 4 A
```

Example 2: To view the voltage for each phase, type:

```
apc> phReading all voltage
E000: Success
1: 120 V
2: 120 V
3: 120 V
```

Example 3: To view the power for phase 2, type:

```
apc> phReading 2 power
E000: Success
2: 40 W
```

phRestrictn

Access: Administrator

Description: Set or view the overload restriction feature to prevent outlets from turning on when the overload alarm threshold is violated. Acceptable arguments are none, near, and over. To specify phases, choose from the following options. Type: all, a single phase, a range, or a comma-separated list of phases.

Example 1: To set the overload restriction for phase three to none, type:

```
apc> phRestrictn 3 none
E000: Success
```

Example 2: To view the overload restrictions for all phases, type:

```
apc> phRestrictn all
E000: Success
1: over
2: near
3: none
```

prodInfo

Access: Administrator, Device User, Outlet User

Description: View information about the Rack PDU.

Example:

```
apc> prodInfo
E000: Success
AOS vX.X.X.X
Switched Rack PDU vX.X.X.X
Model:AP8XXX
Present Outlets:8
Switched Outlets:8
Metered Outlets:0
Max Current:20 A
Phases:1
```

sensorName

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or view the name assigned to the Rack PDU Temp/Humidity port.

Example 1: To set the name for the port to "Sensor1," type:

```
apc> sensorName Sensor1
E000: Success
```

Example 2: To then view the name for the sensor port, type:

```
apc> sensorName
E000: Success
Sensor1
```

tempHigh

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or view the high-temperature threshold in either Fahrenheit or Celsius.

Example 1: To set the high-temperature threshold to 70° Fahrenheit, type:

```
apc> tempHigh F 70
E000: Success
```

Example 2: To view the high-temperature threshold in Celsius, type:

```
apc> tempHigh C
E000: Success
21 C
```

Example 3: To view the high-temperature threshold in Fahrenheit, type:

```
apc> tempHigh F
E000: Success
70 F
```

tempMax

Access: Administrator, Device User

Description: Set or view the max-temperature threshold in either Fahrenheit or Celsius.

Example 1: To set the max-temperature threshold to 80° Fahrenheit, type:

```
apc> tempMax F 80
E000: Success
```

Example 2: To view the max-temperature threshold in Celsius, type:

```
apc> tempMax C
E000: Success
27 C
```

Example 3: To view the max-temperature threshold in Fahrenheit, type:

```
apc> tempMax F
E000: Success
80 F
```

tempReading

Access: Administrator, Device User, Outlet User

Description: View the temperature value in either Fahrenheit or Celsius from the sensor.

Example: To view the temperature value in Fahrenheit, type:

```
apc> tempReading F
E000: Success
51.1 F
```

userAdd

Access: Administrator

Description: Add an outlet user to the local user database.

Example: To add a user named Bobby, type:

apc> userAdd Bobby
E000: Success

userDelete

Access: Administrator

Description: Remove an outlet user from the local user database.

Example: To remove a user named Bobby, type:

apc> userDelete Bobby

E000: Success

userList

Access: Administrator, Device User, and Outlet User, but only for outlets to which the user is assigned.

Description: List the users and the outlets assigned to them.

Example 1: When logged in as the Administrator, type:

```
apc> userList
E000: Success
Local: admin: 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8
Local: Bobby: 1,3
Local: Billy: 2,5
Local: Joe 4,6
Local: Jack 7,8
```

Example 2: When logged in as Billy, type:

```
apc> userList
E000: Success
Local: Billy: 2,5
```

userPasswd

Access: Administrator.

Description: Set an outlet User password.

```
Example: To set Bobby's password to "abc123," type: apc> userPasswd Bobby abc123 abc123 E000: Success
```

whoami

Access: Administrator, Device User, Outlet User

Description: View the user name of the active user.

Example:

```
apc> whoami
E000: Success
admin
```

Web Interface

Supported Web Browsers

You can use Microsoft[®] Internet Explorer[®] (IE) 7.x and higher (on Windows[®] operating systems only) or Mozilla[®] Firefox[®] 3.0.6 or higher (on all operating systems) to access the Rack PDU through its Web interface. Other commonly available browsers may work but have not been fully tested by APC.

The Rack PDU cannot work with a proxy server. Before you can use a Web browser to access the Web interface of the Rack PDU, you must do one of the following:

- Configure the Web browser to disable the use of a proxy server for the Rack PDU.
- Configure the proxy server so that it does not proxy the specific IP address of the Rack PDU.

Logging On to the Web Interface

Overview

You can use the DNS name or System IP address of the Rack PDU for the URL address of the Web interface. Use your case-sensitive user name and password to log on. The default user names follow and differ by account type:

- apc for an Administrator
- device for a Device User
- readonly for a Read-Only User

The default password is **apc** for all three account types For Outlet User accounts, there is no default user name or password. An Administrator must define the user name and password and other account characteristics for an Outlet User. See .



Note: If you are using HTTPS (SSL/TLS) as your access protocol, your login credentials are compared with information in a server certificate. If the certificate was created with the APC Security Wizard, and an IP address was specified as the common name in the certificate, you must use an IP address to log on to the Rack PDU. If a DNS name was specified as the common name on the certificate, you must use a DNS name to log on.



For information about the Web page displayed when you log on, see "About the Home Tab" on page 55.

URL address formats

Type the DNS name or IP address of the Rack PDU in the Web browser's URL address field and press ENTER. When you specify a non-default Web server port in Internet Explorer, you must include http://orhttps://in the URL.

Common browser error messages at log-on.

| Error Message | Browser | Cause of the Error |
|--|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| "You are not authorized to view this page" or "Someone is currently logged in" | Internet Explorer, Firefox | Someone else is logged on |
| "This page cannot be displayed." | Internet Explorer | Web access is disabled, or |
| "Unable to connect." | Firefox the URL was not cor | |

URL format examples.

- For a DNS name of Web1:
 - http://Web1 if HTTP is your access mode
 - https://Web1 if HTTPS (HTTP with SSL) is your access mode
- For a System IP address of 139.225.6.133 and the default Web server port (80):
 - http://139.225.6.133 if HTTP is your access mode
 - https://139.225.6.133 if HTTPS (HTTP with SSL) is your access mode
- For a System IP address of 139.225.6.133 and a non-default Web server port (5000):
 - http://139.225.6.133:5000 if HTTP is your access mode
 - https://139.225.6.133:5000 if HTTPS (HTTP with SSL) is your access mode
- For a System IPv6 address of 2001:db8:1::2c0:b7ff:fe00:1100 and a non-default Web server port (5000):
 - http://[2001:db8:1::2c0:b7ff:fe00:1100]:5000 if HTTP is your access mode

Web Interface Features

Read the following to familiarize yourself with basic Web interface features for your Rack PDU.

Tabs

The following tabs are available:

- **Home**: Appears when you log on. View active alarms, the load status of the **Rack PDU**, and the most recent Rack PDU events. For more information, see "About the Home Tab" on page 55.
- **Device Manager**: View the load status, configure load thresholds, and view and manage peak load measurements for all connected devices, phases, and banks as applicable. Manage and control outlets. For more information, see "About the Device Manager Tab" on page 56.
- **Environment**: View temperature and humidity sensor data, if a sensor is connected to the **Rack PDU**.
- Logs: View event, data, and system logs.
- Administration: Configure security, network connection, notification, and general settings.

Device status icons

One or more icons and accompanying text indicate the current operating status of the Rack PDU:

| Symbol | Description |
|----------|---|
| × | Critical: A critical alarm exists, which requires immediate action. |
| | Warning : An alarm condition requires attention and could jeopardize your data or equipment if its cause is not addressed. |
| Ø | No Alarms: No alarms are present, and the Rack PDU and NMC are operating normally. |

At the upper right corner of every page, the Web interface displays the same icons currently displayed on the **Home** page to report Rack PDU status:

- The **No Alarms** icon if no alarms exist.
- One or both of the other icons (**Critical** and **Warning**) if any alarms exist, and after each icon, the number of active alarms of that severity.

To return to the **Home** tab to view its summary of the Rack PDU status, including the active alarms, click a quick status icon on any page of the interface.

Quick Links

At the lower left on each page of the interface, there are three configurable links. By default, the links access the URLs for these Web pages:

- Link 1: The home page of the APC Web site
- Link 2: Demonstrations of APC Web-enabled products
- Link 3: Information on APC Remote Monitoring Services.



To reconfigure the links, see "Configure Links" on page 105.

Other Web interface features

- The IP address appears in the upper left corner.
- A context-sensitive **Help** link and **Log off** link are located in the upper right corner.

About the Home Tab

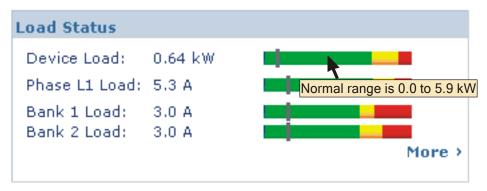
Use the **Home** tab to view active alarms, the load status of the Rack PDU, and the most recent Rack PDU events.

The Overview view

Path: Home > Overview

The top of the **Overview** indicates the alarm status. If one or more alarms are present, the number and type of alarms are indicated with a link to the **Alarm Status** view, where you can view descriptions of each alarm. If no alarms exist, the Overview displays, "No Alarms Present."

In the **Load Status** area, view the load for the device in kW and for the phases and banks in amps, as applicable. The green, yellow, and red meter shows the current load status: normal, near overload, or overload. Note that if a low load threshold was configured the meter will also include a blue segment to the left of the green. Hover over the colors to view the configured load thresholds.



Click **More** to go to the **Device Manager** tab to configure thresholds and to view and manage peak load information.

In the device parameters area, view the name, contact, location, current rating, type of user account accessing the Rack PDU, and the amount of time the Rack PDU has been operating since the last reboot from either a power cycle or a reboot of the Management Interface. [For more information, see "Reset the Rack PDU" on page 105.]

In the **Recent Device Events** area, view, in reverse chronological order, the events that occurred most recently and the dates and times they occurred. A maximum of five events are shown at one time. Click **More Events** to go to the **Logs** tab to view the entire event log.

The Alarm Status view

Path: Home > Alarm Status

The **Alarm Status** view provides a description of all alarms present.



For details about a temperature or humidity threshold violation, click the Environment tab.

Device Management

About the Device Manager Tab

Path: Device Manager

Use the **Device Manager** tab to:

- View the load status for the Rack PDU
- Configure load thresholds for all connected devices, phases, and banks as applicable
- · Manage and control outlets
- Configure a name and location for the Rack PDU
- View and manage the peak load measurement
- Click user-configurable links to open web pages for specific devices connected to the Rack PDU

Viewing the Load Status and Peak Load

Path: Device Manager > Load Management options

Use the **Load Management** menu options to view the load for the device, phases, and banks. The indicator in the green, yellow, and red meter shows the current load status: normal, near overload, or overload. If a low load threshold was configured, the meter will include a blue segment to the left of the green. When viewing the **Device Load**, the triangle above the meter indicates peak load.

Configuring Load Thresholds

Path: Device Manager > Load Management options



Note: The Rack PDU generates an alarm when any bank exceeds its rated value. However, if a circuit breaker trips, there is no definitive indication that the circuit breaker is open, other than that the current for that bank will drop. Set the **Low Load Warning Threshold** to **1 amp** for these reasons:

- The default setting for the **Low Load Warning Threshold** is 0 amps. This effectively disables the warning. With a setting of 0 amps for the **Low Load Warning Threshold**, the Web interface will not indicate that a circuit breaker may have tripped.
- A 1-amp detection threshold for the Low Load Warning for Bank Load Management will help to indicate that a circuit breaker may have tripped.

To configure load thresholds:

- 1. Click the **Device Manager** tab.
- 2. To configure load thresholds for the device, phases, or banks, make a selection from the **Load Management** menu.
- 3. Set Overload Alarm, Near Overload Warning, and Low Load Warning thresholds.
- 4. Click Apply.

Configuring the Name and Location of the Rack PDU

Path: Device Manager > Device Load

The name and location you enter appear on the **Home** tab.



Note: You can set the Name and Location through either the Device Manager tab or the Administration tab. A change in one affects the other.

- 1. Click the **Device Manager** tab, then **device load** from the **Load Management** menu.
- 2. Enter a name and location.
- 3. Click **Apply**.

Setting the Coldstart Delay for the Rack PDU

Path: Device Manager > Device Load

The Coldstart Delay is the number of seconds added to each outlet's Power On Delay before an outlet will turn on after power is applied to the Rack PDU. Allowed values are from 1 to 300 seconds, **Immediate**, or **Never** (never turn on).

- 1. Click the **Device Manager** tab, then **device load** from the **Load Management** menu.
- 2. Make a selection for **Coldstart Delay**.
- 3. Click Apply.

Resetting Peak Load and kWh

Path: Device Manager > Device Load

- 1. Click the **Device Manager** tab, then **device load** from the **Load Management** menu.
- 2. Click the **Peak Load** and **Kilowatt-Hours** check boxes as desired.
- 3. Click Apply.

Setting the Overload Outlet Restrictions

Path: Device Manager > Phase Load and Bank Load

Prevent users from applying power to outlets during an overload condition. You can set the following restrictions for each phase and bank:

- None: Users can apply power to outlets regardless of an Overload Alarm or Near Overload Warning.
- On Warning: Users cannot apply power to an outlet on the selected phase or bank if the current for that phase or bank has exceeded the Near Overload Warning threshold.
- On Overload: Users cannot apply power to an outlet on the selected phase or bank if the current for that phase or bank has exceeded the Overload Alarm threshold.

To set Overload Outlet Restrictions:

- 1. Click the **Device Manager** tab, then **phase load** or **bank load** from the **Load Management** menu.
- 2. Make selections for Overload Outlet Restriction.
- 3. Click Apply.

Configure and Control Outlet Groups

Outlet group terminology

An *outlet group* consists of outlets that are logically linked together on the same Rack PDU. Outlets that are in an outlet group turn on, turn off, and reboot in a synchronized manner:

- A *local outlet group* consists of two or more outlets on a Rack PDU. Only the outlets in that group are synchronized.
- A *global outlet group* consists of one or more outlets on a Rack PDU. One outlet is configured as a *global outlet*, which logically links the outlet group to outlet groups on up to three other Rack PDUs. All outlets in the linked global outlet groups are synchronized.
 - For global outlet groups, the *initiator outlet group* is the group that issued the action.
 - For global outlet groups, a *follower outlet group* is any other outlet group that is synchronized with the initiator outlet group.

When you apply an outlet control action to outlets that are members of an outlet group, the outlets are synchronized as follows:

- For a global outlet group, use the delay periods and reboot duration configured for the global outlet of the initiator outlet group.
- For a local outlet group, the outlets use the delay periods and reboot duration of the lowestnumbered outlet in the group.

Purpose and benefits of outlet groups

By using groups of synchronized outlets on Rack PDUs, you can ensure that outlets turn on, turn off, and reboot in a synchronized manner. Synchronizing control group actions through outlet groups provides the following benefits.

- Synchronized shutdown and startup of the power supplies of dual-corded servers prevents erroneous reporting of power supply failures during a planned system shutdown or reboot.
- Synchronizing outlets by using outlet groups provides more precise shutdown and restart timing than relying on the delay periods of individual outlets.
- A global outlet is visible to the user interface of any Rack PDU to which it is linked.

System requirements for outlet groups

To set up and use synchronized outlet control groups:

- You need a 10/100Base-T TCP/IP network, with an Ethernet hub or switch that has a power source not shared by the computers or other devices being synchronized.
- If outlet groups are to be synchronized across multiple Rack PDUs, those Rack PDUs must meet the following requirements:
 - They must be on the same subnet.
 - They must use firmware that has the same version number for both the APC Operating System (AOS) module and the application module.
- You need a computer that can initiate synchronized control operations through the Web interface or command line interface of the Rack PDUs or through SNMP.
- Outlet groups you synchronize must have the same Multicast IP address. Make sure each Ethernet switch that connects Rack PDUs allows Multicast network traffic for that Multicast IP address.

Rules for configuring outlet groups

For a system that uses outlet groups, the following rules apply:

- A Rack PDU can have more than one outlet group, but an outlet can belong to only one outlet group.
- A local outlet group, which has no global outlet, must consist of two or more outlets.
- You can synchronize a global outlet group on one Rack PDU with a global outlet group on each of three other Rack PDUs.
 - In a global outlet group, you can designate only one outlet to be a global outlet, linking to
 outlet groups on other Rack PDUs for the purpose of synchronization. That global outlet can
 be the only outlet in its group, or the group can consist of multiple outlets.
 - To link outlet groups on Rack PDUs for synchronization, those Rack PDUs must have the same Device Multicast Name and Device Multicast Address and be running the same version of Rack PDU firmware.
 - A global outlet of one outlet group must have the same physical outlet number as the global outlet of any other outlet group to which it links.
- To create and configure outlet groups, you must use the Web interface or export configuration file (.ini file) settings from a configured Rack PDU. The command line interface lets you display whether an outlet is a member of an outlet group and lets you apply control actions to an outlet group, but the command line interface does not let you set up or configure an outlet group.

Enable outlet groups

Click the **Device Manager** tab and select **Group Configuration** from the **Outlet Groups** left navigation menu. Configure the following parameters, and click **Apply**.

Enable creation of outlet groups.

| Parameters | Description |
|--------------|---|
| Device Level | To create an outlet group, you must enable this parameter. It is disabled |
| Outlet Group | by default. |

Enable support for global outlet groups (linked groups).

| Parameters | Description |
|----------------|---|
| Multicast Name | To link outlet groups on multiple Switched Rack PDUs, you must |
| Multicast IP | define the same Multicast name and Multicast IP address on each of those Rack PDUs. |
| | Note: A maximum of four devices can be configured with the same Multicast name and Multicast IP address. |

Enabling encryption and authentication of outlet groups.

| Parameters | Description |
|--------------------------|---|
| Authentication Phrase | A phrase of 15 to 32 ASCII characters that verifies that the device is communicating with other devices, that the message has not been changed during transmission, and that the message was communicated in a timely manner. The authentication phrase indicates that it was not delayed and that it was not copied and sent again later at an inappropriate time. |
| Encryption Phrase | A phrase of 15 to 32 ASCII characters that ensures the privacy of the data (by means of encryption). |

Setting outlet group port.

| Parameters | Description |
|--------------|---|
| Outlet Group | The port number on which the device will communicate with other |
| Port | devices. |



Note: Devices attempting to synchronize with Outlet Groups on other devices must all have the same Authentication Phrase, Encryption Phrase, and Group Port number. The values are hidden to the user.

Create a local outlet group

- 1. From the **Device Manager** tab, select **Information** from the **Outlet Groups** left navigation menu.
- 2. Make sure outlet groups are enabled. (See "Enable outlet groups" on page 60.)
- 3. Click Create Local Outlet Group.
- 4. Under **Select Local Outlets**, select each outlet that will be in the group and assign the group a name in the **Outlet Group Name** field. You must select at least two outlets.

Create multiple global outlet groups

To set up multiple global outlet groups that link to outlet groups on other Rack PDUs:

- 1. From the **Device Manager** tab, select **Information** from the **Outlet Groups** left navigation menu.
- 2. Make sure outlet groups are enabled and that the Multicast parameters (name and IP address) are the same for all Rack PDUs to be linked. (See "Enable outlet groups" on page 60.)
- 3. Click Create Global Outlet Groups.
- 4. For each global outlet group you create, select an outlet by clicking on its checkbox. Then click **Apply**. For example, select five outlets to create five outlet groups, each consisting of one global outlet.
- 5. To add outlets to any of the global outlet groups you created, see "Edit or delete an outlet group" on page 61.

Edit or delete an outlet group

- 1. From the **Device Manager** tab, select **Information** from the **Outlet Groups** left navigation menu.
- 2. Under **Configured Outlet Groups**, click on the number or name of the outlet group to edit or delete.
- 3. When editing an outlet group you can do any of the following:
 - Rename the outlet group.
 - Add or remove outlets by clicking the checkboxes to mark or unmark them.

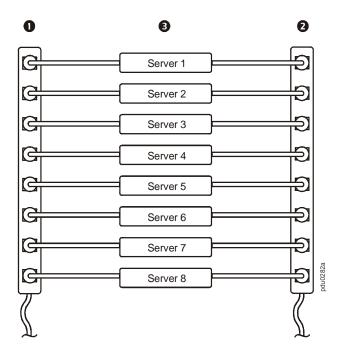


Note: You cannot remove an outlet from an outlet group that contains only two outlets unless the remaining outlet is a global outlet.

4. To delete the outlet group, click **Delete Outlet Group**.

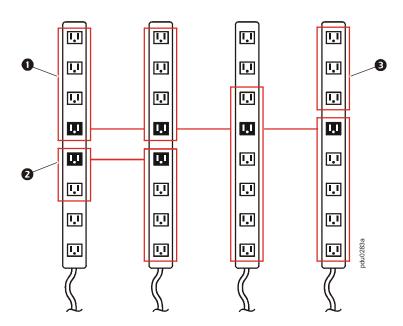
Typical outlet group configurations

The following configuration shows two Rack PDUs, each with eight outlet groups. Each outlet group consists of a single global outlet. Each outlet group ① on the first Rack PDU is linked to the outlet group ② in the same location on the second Rack PDU. One power cord of a dual-corded server ③ is connected to each outlet on the first Rack PDU, and its other cord is connected to the corresponding outlet on the second Rack PDU, ensuring that output power from both power sources to the server will turn on or off in a synchronized manner in response to an outlet control action.



The following configuration shows three sets of synchronized outlets. Global outlets are shown in black. Outlet groups are enclosed in red rectangles.

| 0 | These four global outlet groups synchronize a total of 19 outlets. |
|----------|--|
| 2 | These two global outlet groups synchronize 6 outlets, 2 in one group and 4 in the other. |
| € | This local outlet group synchronizes 3 outlets on the same Rack PDU. |



Verify your setup and configuration for global outlet groups

To ensure that your setup meets all system requirements for outlet groups and that you have configured the outlet groups correctly, select **Information** from the **Outlet Groups** left navigation menu in the Web interface to view the groups and their connections:

- The **Configured Outlet Groups** section displays the following:
 - All configured outlet groups on the current Rack PDU.
 - The outlets in each group by outlet number.
 - Any outlet groups on other Rack PDUs with which a global outlet group is synchronized. Each Rack PDU is identified by its IP address, and each global outlet is displayed in bold text.
- The **Global Outlet Overview** section displays the following:
 - The IP address of the current Rack PDU.
 - The IP address of any Rack PDUs that contain global outlets that are available to be synchronized with outlet groups on other Rack PDUs.
 - All global outlets configured on the Rack PDUs, regardless of whether they are synchronized with outlet groups on the current Rack PDU.

Outlet Settings for Outlets and Outlet Groups

Initiate a control action



Note: If you apply an outlet control action to outlets or outlet groups, the following delays are used for the action:

- For an individual outlet (not in an outlet group), the action uses the delay periods and reboot duration configured for that outlet.
- For a global outlet group, the action uses the delay periods and reboot duration configured for the global outlet.
- For a local outlet group, the action uses the delay periods configured for the lowest-numbered outlet in the group.

To control the outlets on your Rack PDU:

- 1. From the **Device Manager** tab, select **Control** from the left navigation menu.
- 2. Mark the checkboxes for each individual outlet or outlet group to control, or select the **All Outlets** checkbox.
- 3. Select a **Control Action** from the list, and click **Next** >>. On the confirmation page that explains the action, choose to apply or cancel it.

Control actions you can select.

| Option | Description |
|-------------------------|--|
| No Action | Do nothing. |
| On Immediate | Apply power to the selected outlets. |
| On Delayed | Apply power to each selected outlet according to its value for Power On Delay . |
| Off Immediate | Remove power from the selected outlets. |
| Off Delayed | Remove power from each selected outlet according to its value for Power Off Delay . † |
| Reboot Immediate | Remove power from each selected outlet. Then apply power to each of these outlets according to its value for Reboot Duration . |
| Reboot Delayed | Remove power from each selected outlet according to its value for Power Off Delay . Wait until all outlets are off (the highest value for Reboot Duration), and then apply power to each outlet according to its value for Power On Delay . |
| Cancel Pending Commands | Cancel all commands pending for the selected outlets and keep them in their present state. Note:For global outlet groups, you can cancel a command only from the interface of the initiator outlet group. The action will cancel the command for the initiator outlet group and all follower outlet groups. |

[†] If a local outlet group is selected, only the configured delays and reboot duration of the lowest-numbered outlet of the group are used. If a global outlet group is selected, only the configured delays and reboot duration of the global outlet are used.

Configure outlet settings and the outlet name

The following settings are available:

| Setting | Description | |
|-----------------|---|--|
| Name | Set the name for one or more outlets. The name is displayed next to the outlet number on status screens. | |
| External Link | Define an HTTP or HTTPS link to a Web site or IP address. • http://www.apc.com links the outlet to the home page of the APC Web site. • http://pdu_ip_address, where pdu_ip_address is the IP address of the Rack PDU and links the outlet to the Web interface of the Rack PDU at the IP address, enabling authorized users to log on. | |
| Power On Delay | Set the number of seconds that the Rack PDU waits after a command is issued before applying power to an outlet. Note:To configure an outlet to remain off at all times, select the Never radio button next to Power On Delay . | |
| Power Off Delay | Set the number of seconds that the Rack PDU waits after a command is issued before removing power from an outlet. Note:To configure an outlet to remain on at all times, select the Never radio button next to Power Off Delay . | |
| Reboot Duration | Set the number of seconds an outlet remains off before restarting. | |

To configure outlet settings or outlet names, select the **Device Manager** tab and then **Configuration** from the left navigation menu. Click the **Configure Multiple Outlets** button in the **Outlet Configuration** section or click the outlet name.

- Configure outlet settings for multiple outlets:
 - Select the checkboxes next to the numbers of the outlets you want to modify, or select the All
 Outlets checkbox.
 - Enter values for **Name** and **Link**, and click the **Apply** button immediately below the list.
 - Enter values for Power On Delay, Power Off Delay, or Reboot Duration, and click the Apply button immediately below the list.
- Configure outlet settings for a single outlet:
 - Enter values for Name and Link, and click the Apply button immediately below the list.
 - Enter values for Power On Delay, Power Off Delay, or Reboot Duration, and click the Apply button immediately below the list.

Scheduling Outlet Actions

Actions you can schedule



To configure values for **Power On Delay**, **Power Off Delay**, and **Reboot Duration** for each outlet, see "Configure outlet settings and the outlet name" on page 65. Although you must use the Web interface to schedule outlet actions, you can set these values in either the Web or command line interfaces.

For any outlets you select, you can schedule any of the actions listed in the following table to occur daily; at intervals of one, two, four, or eight weeks; or only once.

| Option | Description | |
|------------------|---|--|
| No Action | Do nothing. | |
| On Immediate | Apply power to the selected outlets. | |
| On Delayed | Apply power to each selected outlet according to its value for Power On Delay . | |
| Off Immediate | Remove power from the selected outlets. | |
| Off Delayed | Remove power from each selected outlet according to its value for Power Off Delay . | |
| Reboot Immediate | Remove power from each selected outlet. Then apply power to each of these outlets according to its value for Reboot Duration . | |
| Reboot Delayed | Remove power from each selected outlet according to its value for Power Off Delay . Wait until all outlets are off (the highest value for Reboot Duration), and then apply power to each outlet according to its value for Power On Delay . † | |

[†] If a local outlet group is selected, only the configured delays and reboot duration of the lowest-numbered outlet of the group are used. If a global outlet group is selected, only the configured delays and reboot duration of the global outlet are used.

Schedule an outlet event

- 1. At the Web interface, select the **Device Manager** tab and then **Scheduling** from the left navigation menu.
- 2. On the **Outlet Scheduling** page, select how often the event will occur (**One-Time**, **Daily**, or **Weekly**), and click the **Next** button.



Note: If you select **Weekly**, you can choose to have the event occur once every week or once every two, four, or eight weeks.

- 3. On the **Schedule a Daily Action** page, in the **Name of event** text box, replace the default name, Outlet Event, with a name that will identify your new event.
- 4. Use the drop-down lists to select the type of event and when it will occur.



The date format for one-time events is mm/dd, and the time format for all events is hh/mm, with the two-digit hour specified in 24-hour time.

- An event that is scheduled daily or at one of the intervals available in the **Weekly** selection continues to occur at the scheduled interval until the event is deleted or disabled.
- You can schedule a one-time event to occur only on a date within 12 months of the date on which you perform the scheduling. For example, on December 26, 2010, you could schedule a one-time event on any date from the current date until December 26, 2011.
- 5. Use the checkboxes to select which outlets will be affected by the action. You can select one or more individual outlets or **All Outlets**.
- 6. Click **Apply** to confirm the scheduling of the event, or **Cancel** to clear it.

When you confirm the event, the summary page is re-displayed, with the new event displayed in the list of scheduled events.

Edit, disable, enable, or delete a scheduled outlet event

- 1. At the Web interface, select the **Device Manager** tab and then **Scheduling** from the left navigation menu.
- 2. In the event list in the **Scheduled Outlet Action** section of the **Scheduling** page, click on the name of the event.
- 3. On the **Daily/Weekly scheduled action detail** page, you can do any of the following:
 - Change details of the event, such as the name of the event, when it is scheduled to occur, and which outlets are affected.
 - Under **Status of event** at the top of the page you can perform the following tasks:
 - Disable the event, leaving all its details configured so that it can be re-enabled later. A disabled event will not occur. An event is enabled by default when you create it.
 - Enable the event, if it was previously set to **Disable**.
 - Delete the event, removing the event completely from the system. A deleted event cannot be retrieved.
- 4. When you finish making changes on this page, click **Apply** to confirm the changes or **Cancel**.

Outlet Manager Menu

Create and configure outlet user accounts. Individual outlets can be assigned a user with an Outlet User account. An Outlet User account allows control only to the outlets assigned. The configuration of outlets is allowed to those with Administrator rights. The Device Manager has limited outlet configuration rights.

Configure an outlet user

- 1. At the Web interface, select the **Device Manager** tab and then **Outlet Manager** from the left navigational menu.
- 2. Click the **Add New User** button.
- 3. Type in the information for the following options and click **Apply** to confirm the changes.

| Option | Description |
|----------------------|--|
| User Name | Set the outlet user name. "New User" is reserved and is not allowed. Note:A user name in orange indicates the user account has been disabled. |
| Password | Set the outlet user password. |
| User Description | Set identification/description of outlet user. |
| Account Status | Enable, disable, or delete outlet user's account. |
| Device outlet access | Select the outlets the user can access. |

Environment

Configuring Temperature and Humidity Sensors

Path: Environment

Through the **Environment** tab, when you have a temperature or a temperature and humidity sensor connected to the Rack PDU, you can set thresholds for Warning and Critical alarm generation (see "Device status icons" on page 53 for details on each type of alarm).

For temperature:

- If the high temperature threshold is reached, the system generates a Warning alarm.
- If the maximum temperature threshold is reached, the system generates a Critical alarm.

Similarly, for humidity:

- If the low humidity threshold is reached, the system generates a Warning alarm.
- If the minimum humidity threshold is reached, the system generates a Critical alarm.



Note: Click the thermometer symbol in the upper right corner to toggle between Fahrenheit and Celsius.

To configure temperature and humidity sensors:

- 1. Enter values for minimum, maximum, high, and low thresholds.
- 2. Enter **Hysteresis** values. (See "Hysteresis" on page 69 for details.)
- 3. Enable alarm generation as desired.
- 4. Click Apply.

Hysteresis. This value specifies how far past a threshold the temperature or humidity must return to clear a threshold violation.

- For Maximum and High temperature threshold violations, the clearing point is the threshold minus the hysteresis.
- For Minimum and Low humidity threshold violations, the clearing point is the threshold plus the hysteresis.

Increase the value for Temperature Hysteresis or Humidity Hysteresis to avoid multiple alarms if temperature or humidity that has caused a violation then wavers slightly up and down. If the hysteresis value is too low, such wavering can cause and clear a threshold violation repeatedly.

Example of rising but wavering temperature: The maximum temperature threshold is 85°F, and the temperature hysteresis is 3°F. The temperature rises above 85°F, violating the threshold. It then wavers down to 84°F and then up to 86°F repeatedly, but no clearing event and no new violation occur. For the existing violation to clear, the temperature would have to drop to 82°F (3°F below the threshold).

Example of falling but wavering humidity: The minimum humidity threshold is 18%, and the humidity hysteresis is 8%. The humidity falls below 18%, violating the threshold. It then wavers up to 24% and down to 13% repeatedly, but no clearing event and no new violation occur. For the existing violation to clear, the humidity would have to rise to above 26% (8% past the threshold).

Logs

Using the Event and Data Logs

Event log

Path: Logs > Events > options

You can view, filter, or delete the event log. By default, the log displays all events recorded during the last two days in reverse chronological order.

For lists of all configurable events and their current configuration, select the **Administration** tab, **Notification** on the top menu bar, and **by event** under **Event Actions** on the left navigation menu.



See "Configuring by event" on page 95.

To display the event log (Logs > Events > log):

- By default, view the event log as a page of the Web interface. The most recent event is recorded on page 1. In the navigation bar below the log:
 - Click a page number to open a specific page of the log.
 - Click **Previous** or **Next** to view the events recorded immediately before or after the events listed on the open page.
 - Click << to return to the first page or click >> to view the last page of the log.
- To see the listed events on one page, click **Launch Log in New Window** from the event log page to display a full-screen view of the log.



Note: In your browser's options, JavaScript[®] must be enabled for you to use the **Launch Log in New Window** button.



You can also use FTP or Secure CoPy (SCP) to view the event log. See "How to use FTP or SCP to retrieve log files" on page 75.

To filter the log (Logs > Events > log):

• **Filtering the log by date or time:** To display the entire event log, or to change the number of days or weeks for which the log displays the most recent events, select **Last**. Select a time range from the drop-down menu, then click **Apply**. The filter configuration is saved until the Rack PDU restarts.

To display events logged during a specific time range, select **From**. Specify the beginning and ending times (using the 24-hour clock format) and dates for which to display events, then click **Apply**. The filter configuration is saved until the Rack PDU restarts.

• **Filtering the log by event**: To specify the events that display in the log, click **Filter Log**. Clear the checkbox of an event category or alarm severity level to remove it from view. Text at the upper right corner of the event log page indicates that a filter is active.

As Administrator, click **Save As Default** to save this filter as the default log view for all users. If you do not click **Save As Default**, the filter is active until you clear it or until the Rack PDU

To remove an active filter, click Filter Log, then Clear Filter (Show All).



restarts.

Note: Events are processed through the filter using **OR** logic.

Events that you do not select from the **Filter By Severity** list never display in the filtered event log, even if the event occurs in a category you selected from the **Filter by Category** list.

Events that you do not select from the **Filter by Category** list never display in the filtered event log, even if devices in the category enter an alarm state you selected from the **Filter by Severity** list.

To delete the log (Logs > Events > log):

To delete all events recorded in the log, click **Clear Log** on the Web page that displays the log. Deleted events cannot be retrieved.



To disable the logging of events based on their assigned severity level or their event category, see "Configuring by event" on page 95.

To configure reverse lookup (Logs > Events > reverse lookup):

Reverse lookup is disabled by default. Enable this feature unless you have no DNS server configured or have poor network performance because of heavy network traffic.

With reverse lookup enabled, when a network-related event occurs, both the IP address and the domain name for the networked device associated with the event are logged in the event log. If no domain name entry exists for the device, only its IP address is logged with the event. Since domain names generally change less frequently than IP addresses, enabling reverse lookup can improve the ability to identify addresses of networked devices that are causing events.

To resize the event log (Logs > Events > size):

By default, the event log stores 400 events. You can change the number of events the log stores. When you resize the event log, all existing log entries are deleted. To avoid losing log data, use FTP or SCP to retrieve the log before you enter a new value in the **Event Log Size** field.



See "How to use FTP or SCP to retrieve log files" on page 75.

When the log is full, the older entries are deleted.

Data log

Path: Logs > Data > options

The data log records the current and power for the device, phase, and banks, as well as temperature and humidity at the specified time interval. Each entry is listed by the date and time the data was recorded.

To display the data log (Logs > Data > log):

- By default, view the data log as a page of the Web interface. The most recent data item is recorded on page 1. From the navigation menu below the log:
 - Click a page number to open a specific page of the log.
 - Click **Previous** or **Next** to view the data recorded immediately before or after the data that is listed on the open page.
 - Click << to return to the first page of the log, or click >> to view the last page of the log.
- To see the listed data on one page, click **Launch Log in New Window** from the data log page to display a full-screen view of the log.



Note: In your browser's options, JavaScript must be enabled for you to use the **Launch Log in New Window** button.



Alternatively, you can use FTP or SCP to view the data log. See "How to use FTP or SCP to retrieve log files" on page 75.

To filter the log by date or time (Logs > Data > log):

To display the entire data log or to change the number of days or weeks for which the log displays the most recent events, select **Last**. Select a time range from the drop-down menu, then click **Apply**. The filter configuration is saved until the device restarts.

To display data logged during a specific time range, select **From**. Specify the beginning and ending times (using the 24-hour clock format) and dates for which to display data, then click **Apply**. The filter configuration is saved until the device restarts.

To delete the data log:

To delete all data recorded in the log, click **Clear Data Log** on the Web page that displays the log. Deleted data cannot be retrieved.

To set the data collection interval (Logs > Data > interval):

Define, in the **Log Interval** setting, how frequently data is sampled and stored in the data log, and view the calculation of how many days of data the log can store, based on the interval you selected. When the log is full, the older entries are deleted. To avoid automatic deletion of older data, enable and configure data log rotation, described in the next section.

To configure data log rotation (Logs > Data > rotation):

Set up a password-protected data log repository on a specified FTP server. Enabling rotation causes the contents of the data log to be appended to the file you specify by name and location. Updates to this file occur at the upload interval you specify.

| Parameter | Description |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Data Log Rotation | Enable or disable (the default) data log rotation. |
| FTP Server Address | The location of the FTP server where the data repository file is stored. |
| User Name | The user name required to send data to the repository file. This user must also be configured to have read and write access to the data repository file and the directory (folder) in which it is stored. |
| Password | The password required to send data to the repository file. |
| File Path | The path to the repository file. |
| Filename | The name of the repository file (an ASCII text file). |
| Delay <i>X</i> hours between uploads | The number of hours between uploads of data to the file. |
| Upload every <i>X</i> minutes | The number of minutes between attempts to upload data to the file after an upload failure. |
| Up to <i>X</i> times | The maximum number of times the upload will be attempted after an initial failure. |
| Until Upload Succeeds | Attempt to upload the file until the transfer is completed. |

To resize the data log (Logs > Data > size):

By default, the data log stores 1000 records. You can change the number of records the log stores. When you resize the data log, all existing log records are deleted. To avoid losing records, use FTP or SCP to retrieve the log before you enter a new value in the **Data Log Size** field.



See "How to use FTP or SCP to retrieve log files" on page 75.

When the log is full, the older entries are deleted.

How to use FTP or SCP to retrieve log files

An Administrator or Device User can use FTP or SCP to retrieve a tab-delineated event log file (*event.txt*) or data log file (*data.txt*) and import it into a spreadsheet.

- The file reports all events or data recorded since the log was last deleted or (for the data log) truncated because it reached maximum size.
- The file includes information that the event log or data log does not display.
 - The version of the file format (first field)
 - The date and time the file was retrieved
 - The Name, Contact, and Location values and IP address of the Rack PDU
 - The unique **Event Code** for each recorded event (*event.txt* file only)



Note: The Rack PDU uses a four-digit year for log entries. You may need to select a four-digit date format in your spreadsheet application to display all four digits.

If you are using the encryption-based security protocols for your system, use SCP to retrieve the log file.

If you are using unencrypted authentication methods for the security of your system, use FTP to retrieve the log file.



See the *Security Handbook*, available at **www.apc.com**, for information on available protocols and methods for setting up the type of security you need.

To use SCP to retrieve the files. To use SCP to retrieve the *event.txt* file, use the following command:

scp username@hostname_or_ip_address:event.txt ./event.txt

To use SCP to retrieve the *data.txt* file, use the following command:

scp username@hostname_or_ip_address:data.txt ./data.txt

To use FTP to retrieve the files. To use FTP to retrieve the *event.txt* or *data.txt* file:

1. At a command prompt, type ftp and the IP address of the Rack PDU, and press ENTER.

If the **Port** setting for the **FTP Server** option (set through the **Network** menu of the **Administration** tab) has been changed from its default (**21**), you must use the non-default value in the FTP command. For Windows FTP clients, use the following command, including spaces. (For some FTP clients, you must use a colon instead of a space between the IP address and the port number.)

ftp>open ip_address port_number



To set a non-default port value to enhance security for the FTP Server, see "FTP Server" on page 93. You can specify any port from 5001 to 32768.

- 2. Use the case-sensitive **User Name** and **Password** for Administrator or Device User to log on. For Administrator, **apc** is the default for **User Name** and **Password**. For the Device User, the defaults are **device** for **User Name** and **apc** for **Password**.
- 3. Use the **get** command to transmit the text of a log to your local drive.

ftp>get event.txt
or
ftp>get data.txt

4. Type quit at the ftp> prompt to exit from FTP.

Administration: Security

Local Users

Setting user access

Path: Administration > Security > Local Users > options

The Administrator user account always has access to the Rack PDU.

The Device User and Read-Only User accounts are enabled by default. To disable the Device User or Read-Only User accounts, select the user account from the left navigation menu, then clear the **Enable** checkbox.

You set the case-sensitive user name and password for each account type in the same manner. Maximum length is 64 characters for a user name and 64 characters for a password. Blank passwords (passwords with no characters) are not allowed.



For information on the permissions granted to each account type (Administrator, Device User, and Read-Only User), see "Types of User Accounts" on page 2.

| Account Type | Default User Name | Default Password | Permitted Access |
|----------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| Administrator | apc | apc | Web interface and command |
| Device User | device | apc | line interface |
| Read-Only User | readonly | арс | Web interface only |

Remote Users

Authentication

Path: Administration > Security > Remote Users > Authentication Method

Use this option to select how to administer remote access to the Rack PDU.



For information about local authentication (not using the centralized authentication of a RADIUS server), see the *Security Handbook*, available at **www.apc.com**.

The authentication and authorization functions of RADIUS (Remote Authentication Dial-In User Service) is supported.

- When a user accesses the Rack PDU or other network-enabled device that has RADIUS enabled, an authentication request is sent to the RADIUS server to determine the User permission level.
- RADIUS user names used with the Rack PDU are limited to 32 characters.

Select one of the following:

- Local Authentication Only: RADIUS is disabled. Local authentication is enabled.
- RADIUS, then Local Authentication: RADIUS and local authentication are enabled.
 Authentication is requested from the RADIUS server first. If the RADIUS server fails to respond, local authentication is used.
- RADIUS Only: RADIUS is enabled. Local authentication is disabled.



Note: If **RADIUS Only** is selected, and the RADIUS server is unavailable, improperly identified, or improperly configured, remote access is unavailable to all users. You must use a serial connection to the command line interface and change the **access** setting to **local** or **radiusLocal** to regain access. For example, the command to change the access setting to **local** would be:

radius -a local

RADIUS

Path: Administration > Security > Remote Users > RADIUS

Use this option to do the following:

- List the RADIUS servers (a maximum of two) available to the Rack PDU and the time-out period for each.
- Click on a link, and configure the parameters for authentication by a new RADIUS server.
- Click a listed RADIUS server to display and modify its parameters.

| RADIUS Setting | Definition |
|-----------------------|--|
| RADIUS Server | The server name or IP address (IPv4 or IPv6) of the RADIUS server. Click on a link to configure the server. |
| | Note:RADIUS servers use port 1812 by default to authenticate users. To use a different port, add a colon followed by the new port number to the end of the RADIUS server name or IP address. |
| Secret | The shared secret between the RADIUS server and the Rack PDU. |
| Timeout | The time in seconds that the Rack PDU waits for a response from the RADIUS server. |
| Test Settings | Enter the Administrator user name and password to test the RADIUS server path that you have configured. |
| Skip Test and Apply | Do not test the RADIUS server path. |

Configuring the RADIUS Server

Summary of the configuration procedure

You must configure your RADIUS server to work with the Rack PDU.



For examples of the RADIUS users file with Vendor Specific Attributes (VSAs) and an example of an entry in the dictionary file on the RADIUS server, see the *Security Handbook*.

- 1. Add the IP address of the Rack PDU to the RADIUS server client list (file).
- 2. Users must be configured with Service-Type attributes unless Vendor Specific Attributes (VSAs) are defined. If no Service-Type attributes are configured, users will have read-only access (on the Web interface only).



See your RADIUS server documentation for information about the RADIUS users file, and see the *Security Handbook* for an example.

3. VSAs can be used instead of the Service-Type attributes provided by the RADIUS server. VSAs require a dictionary entry and a RADIUS users file. In the dictionary file, define the names for the ATTRIBUTE and VALUE keywords, but not for the numeric values. If you change numeric values, RADIUS authentication and authorization will fail. VSAs take precedence over standard RADIUS attributes.

Configuring a RADIUS server on UNIX® with shadow passwords

If UNIX shadow password files are used (/etc/passwd) with the RADIUS dictionary files, the following two methods can be used to authenticate users:

• If all UNIX users have administrative privileges, add the following to the RADIUS "user" file. To allow only Device Users, change the APC-Service-Type to Device.

```
DEFAULT Auth-Type = System
APC-Service-Type = Admin
```

• Add user names and attributes to the RADIUS "user" file, and verify the password against /etc/ passwd. The following example is for users bconners and thawk:

```
bconners Auth-Type = System
APC-Service-Type = Admin
thawk Auth-Type = System
APC-Service-Type = Device
```

Supported RADIUS servers

FreeRADIUS and Microsoft IAS 2003 are supported. Other commonly available RADIUS applications may work but have not been fully tested.

Inactivity Timeout

Path: Administration > Security > Auto Log Off

Use this option to configure the time (3 minutes by default) that the system waits before logging off an inactive user. If you change this value, you must log off for the change to take effect.



Note: This timer continues to run if a user closes the browser window without first logging off by clicking **Log Off** at the upper right. Because that user is still considered to be logged on, no user can log on until the time specified as **Minutes of Inactivity** expires. For example, with the default value for **Minutes of Inactivity**, if a user closes the browser window without logging off, no user can log on for 3 minutes.

Administration: Network Features

TCP/IP and Communication Settings

TCP/IP settings

Path: Administration > Network > TCP/IP

The TCP/IP option on the left navigation menu, selected by default when you choose Network on the top menu bar, displays the current IPv4 address, subnet mask, default gateway, MAC address, and boot mode of the Rack PDU.



For information on DHCP and DHCP options, see RFC2131 and RFC2132.

| Setting | Description |
|---------|---|
| Enable | Enable or disable IPv4 with this check box. |
| Manual | Configure IPv4 manually by entering the IP address, subnet mask, and default gateway. |
| BOOTP | A BOOTP server provides the TCP/IP settings. At 32-second intervals, the Rack PDU requests network assignment from any BOOTP server: • If the Rack PDU receives a valid response, it starts the network services. • If the Rack PDU finds a BOOTP server, but a request to that server fails or times out, the Rack PDU stops requesting network settings until it is restarted. • By default, if previously configured network settings exist, and the Rack PDU receives no valid response to five requests (the original and four retries), it uses the previously configured settings so that it remains accessible. Click Next>> to access the BOOTP Configuration page to change the number of retries or the action to take if all retries fail: • Maximum retries: Enter the number of retries that will occur when no valid response is received, or zero (0) for an unlimited number of retries. • If retries fail: Select Use prior settings (the default) or Stop BOOTP request. |
| DHCP | The default setting. At 32-second intervals, the Rack PDU requests network assignment from any DHCP server. If the Rack PDU receives a valid response, it does not (as previously) require the APC cookie from the DHCP server in order to accept the lease and start the network services. If the Rack PDU finds a DHCP server, but the request to that server fails or times out, it stops requesting network settings until it is restarted.¹ Require vendor specific cookie to accept DHCP Address: By selecting this check box, you can require the DHCP server to provide a cookie which supplies information to the Rack PDU. |

[•]Vendor Class: APC

[•]Client ID: The MAC address of the Rack PDU, which uniquely identifies it on the local area network

[•]User Class: The name of the application firmware module

DHCP response options

Each valid DHCP response contains options that provide the TCP/IP settings that the Rack PDU needs to operate on a network, and other information that affects the operation of the Rack PDU.

Vendor Specific Information (option 43). The Rack PDU uses this option in a DHCP response to determine whether the DHCP response is valid. This option contains an APC-specific options in a TAG/LEN/DATA format, called the APC Cookie. This is disabled by default.

• APC Cookie. Tag 1, Len 4, Data "1APC"

Option 43 communicates to the Rack PDU that a DHCP server is configured to service devices.

Following, in hexadecimal format, is an example of a Vendor Specific Information option that contains the APC cookie:

```
Option 43 = 0x01 \ 0x04 \ 0x31 \ 0x41 \ 0x50 \ 0x43
```

TCP/IP options. The Rack PDU uses the following options within a valid DHCP response to define its TCP/IP settings. All of these options except the first are described in **RFC2132**.

- **IP Address** (from the **yiaddr** field of the DHCP response, described in **RFC2131**): The IP address that the DHCP server is leasing to the Rack PDU.
- **Subnet Mask** (option 1): The Subnet Mask value that the Rack PDU needs to operate on the network.
- **Router,** i.e., Default Gateway (option 3): The default gateway address that the Rack PDU needs to operate on the network.
- **IP Address Lease Time** (option 51): The time duration for the lease of the IP Address to the Rack PDU.
- **Renewal Time, T1** (option 58): The time that the Rack PDU must wait after an IP address lease is assigned before it can request a renewal of that lease.
- **Rebinding Time, T2** (option 59): The time that the Rack PDU must wait after an IP address lease is assigned before it can seek to rebind that lease.

Other options. The Rack PDU also uses these options within a valid DHCP response. All of these options except the last are described in **RFC2132**.

- **Network Time Protocol Servers** (option 42): Up to two NTP servers (primary and secondary) that the Rack PDU can use.
- **Time Offset** (option 2): The offset of the Rack PDU's subnet, in seconds, from Coordinated Universal Time (UTC).
- **Domain Name Server** (option 6): Up to two Domain Name System (DNS) servers (primary and secondary) that the Rack PDU can use.
- **Host Name** (option 12): The host name that the Rack PDU will use (32-character maximum length).

- **Domain Name** (option 15): The domain name that the Rack PDU will use (64-character maximum length).
- **Boot File Name** (from the **file** field of the DHCP response, described in **RFC2131**): The fully qualified directory-path to a user configuration file (.ini file) to download. The **siaddr** field of the DHCP response specifies the IP address of the server from which the Rack PDU will download the .ini file. After the download, the Rack PDU uses the .ini file as a boot file to reconfigure its settings.

Path: Administration > Network > TCP/IP > IPv6 settings

| Setting | Description |
|-----------------------|---|
| Enable | Enable or disable IPv6 with this check box. |
| Manual | Configure IPv6 manually by entering the IP address and the default gateway. |
| Auto Configuration | When the Auto Configuration check box is selected, the system obtains addressing prefixes from the router (if available). It uses those prefixes to automatically configure IPv6 addresses. |
| DHCPv6 Mode | Router Controlled: Selecting this option means that DHCPv6 is controlled by the Managed(M) and Other(O) flags received in IPv6 router advertisements. When a router advertisement is received, the NMC checks whether the M or the O flag is set. The NMC interprets the state of the M (Managed Address Configuration Flag) and O (Other Stateful Configuration Flag) "bits" for the following cases: |
| | Neither is set: Indicates the local network has no DHCPv6 infrastructure. The NMC uses router advertisements and manual configuration to get addresses that are not link-local and other settings. M, or M and O are set: In this situation, full DHCPv6 address configuration occurs. DHCPv6 is used to obtain addresses AND other configuration settings. This is known as DHCPv6 stateful. Once the M flag has been received, the DHCPv6 address configuration stays in effect until the interface in question has been closed. This is true even if subsequent router advertisement packets are received in which the M flag is not set. If an O flag is received first, then an M flag is received subsequently, the NMC performs full address configuration upon receipt of the M flag Only O is set: In this situation, the NMC sends a DHCPv6 Info-Request packet. DHCPv6 will be used to configure "other" settings (such as location of DNS servers), but NOT to provide addresses. This is known as DHCPv6 stateless. Address and Other Information: With this radio box selected, DHCPv6 is used to obtain |
| | addresses AND other configuration settings. This is known as DHCPv6 stateful. Non-Address Information Only: With this radio box selected, DHCPv6 will be used to configure "other" settings (such as location of DNS servers), but NOT to provide addresses. This is known as DHCPv6 stateless. |
| | Never: Select this to disable DHCPv6. |

Ping Response

Path: Administration > Network > Ping Response

Select the Enable check box for **IPv4 Ping Response** to allow the Network Management Card to respond to network pings. Clear the check box to disable an NMC response. This does not apply to IPv6.

Port Speed

Path: Administration > Network > Port Speed

The Port Speed setting defines the communication speed of the TCP/IP port.

- For **Auto-negotiation** (the default), Ethernet devices negotiate to transmit at the highest possible speed, but if the supported speeds of two devices are unmatched, the slower speed is used.
- Alternatively, you can choose 10 Mbps or 100 Mbps, each with the option of half-duplex (communication in only one direction at a time) or full-duplex (communication in both directions on the same channel simultaneously).

DNS

Path: Administration > Network > DNS > options

Use the options under **DNS** to configure and test the Domain Name System (DNS):

- Select **Primary DNS Server** or **Secondary DNS Server** to specify the IPv4 or IPv6 addresses of the primary and optional secondary DNS server. For the Rack PDU to send e-mail, you must at least define the IP address of the primary DNS server.
 - The Rack PDU waits up to 15 seconds for a response from the primary DNS server or the secondary DNS server (if a secondary DNS server is specified). If the Rack PDU does not receive a response within that time, e-mail cannot be sent. Therefore, use DNS servers on the same segment as the Rack PDU or on a nearby segment (but not across a wide-area network [WAN]).
 - After you define the IP addresses of the DNS servers, verify that DNS is working correctly by entering the DNS name of a computer on your network to look up the IP address for that computer.
- **Host Name**: After you configure a host name here and a domain name in the **Domain Name** field, users can enter a host name in any field in the NMC interface (except e-mail addresses) that accepts a domain name.
- **Domain Name (IPv4)**: You need to configure the domain name here only. In all other fields in the NMC interface (except e-mail addresses) that accept domain names, the NMC adds this domain name when only a host name is entered.
 - To override all instances of the expansion of a specified host name by the addition of the domain name, set the domain name field to its default, somedomain.com, or to 0.0.0.0.
 - To override the expansion of a specific host name entry (for example, when defining a trap receiver), include a trailing period. The NMC recognizes a host name with a trailing period (such as mySnmpServer.) as if it were a fully-qualified domain name and does not append the domain name.
- **Domain Name (IPv6)**: Specify the IPv6 domain name here.
- Select **test** to send a DNS query that tests the setup of your DNS servers:
 - As **Query Type**, select the method to use for the DNS query:
 - by Host: the URL name of the server
 - by FQDN: the fully-qualified domain name
 - by IP: the IP address of the server
 - by MX: the Mail Exchange used by the server
 - As **Query Question**, identify the value to be used for the selected query type:

| Query Type Selected | Query Question to Use |
|---------------------|--|
| by Host | The URL |
| by FQDN | The fully qualified domain name, my_server.my_domain |
| by IP | The IP address |
| by MX | The Mail Exchange address |

- View the result of the test DNS request in the **Last Query Response** field.

Web

Path: Administration > Network > Web > options

| Option | Description |
|--------|---|
| access | To activate changes to any of these selections, log off from the Rack PDU: • Disable: Disables access to the Web interface. (To re-enable access, log in to the command line interface, then type the command http -S enable. For HTTPS access, type https -S enable.) • Enable HTTP (the default): Enables Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP), which provides Web access by user name and password, but does not encrypt user names, passwords, and data during transmission. • Enable HTTPS: Enables Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTPS) over Secure Sockets Layer (SSL). SSL encrypts user names, passwords, and data during transmission, and authenticates the Rack PDU by digital certificate. When HTTPS is enabled, your browser displays a small lock icon. |
| | See "Creating and Installing Digital Certificates" in the <i>Security Handbook</i> , available at www.apc.com . |
| | HTTP Port : The TCP/IP port (80 by default) used to communicate by HTTP with the Rack PDU. |
| | HTTPS Port : The TCP/IP port (443 by default) used to communicate by HTTPS with the Rack PDU. |
| | For either of these ports, you can change the port setting to any unused port from 5000 to 32768 for additional security. Users must then use a colon (:) in the address field of the browser to specify the port number. For example, for a port number of 5000 and an IP address of 152.214.12.114: |
| | http://152.214.12.114:5000 https://152.214.12.114:5000 |

| Option | Description |
|--------------------|---|
| ssl certificate | Add, replace, or remove a security certificate. |
| | Status: |
| | • Not installed : A certificate is not installed, or was installed by FTP or SCP to an incorrect location. Using Add or Replace Certificate File installs the certificate to the correct location, /ssl on the Rack PDU. |
| | Generating: The Rack PDU is generating a certificate because no valid certificate was found. Loading: A certificate is being activated on the Rack PDU. |
| | • Valid certificate: A valid certificate was installed or was generated by the Rack PDU. Click on this link to view the contents of the certificate. |
| | If you install an invalid certificate, or if no certificate is loaded when you enable SSL, the Rack PDU generates a default certificate, a process which delays access to the interface for up to one minute. You can use the default certificate for basic encryption-based security, but a security alert message displays whenever you log on. |
| | Add or Replace Certificate File: Enter or browse to the certificate file created with the Security Wizard. |
| | See "Creating and Installing Digital Certificates" in the <i>Security Handbook</i> , available at www.apc.com , to choose a method for using digital certificates created by the Security Wizard or generated by the Rack PDU. |
| | Remove: Delete the current certificate. |

Console

Path: Administration > Network > Console > options

| Option | Description |
|-----------------|--|
| access | Choose one of the following for access by Telnet or Secure SHell (SSH): • Disable: Disables all access to the command line interface. • Enable Telnet (the default): Telnet transmits user names, passwords, and data without encryption. • Enable SSH: SSH transmits user names, passwords, and data in encrypted form, providing protection from attempts to intercept, forge, or alter data during transmission. Configure the ports to be used by these protocols: • Telnet Port: The Telnet port used to communicate with the Rack PDU (23 by default). You can |
| | change the port setting to any unused port from 5000 to 32768 for additional security. Users must then use a colon (:) or a space, as required by your Telnet client program, to specify the non-default port. For example, for port 5000 and an IP address of 152.214.12.114, your Telnet client requires one of the these commands: telnet 152.214.12.114:5000 telnet 152.214.12.114 5000 |
| | • SSH Port : The SSH port used to communicate with the Rack PDU (22 by default). You can change the port setting to any unused port from 5000 to 32768 for additional security. See the documentation for your SSH client for the command line format required to specify a non-default port. |
| ssh host key | Status indicates the status of the host key (private key): SSH Disabled: No host key in use: When disabled, SSH cannot use a host key. Generating: The Rack PDU is creating a host key because no valid host key was found. Loading: A host key is being activated on the Rack PDU. Valid: One of the following valid host keys is in the /ssh directory (the required location on the Rack PDU): A 1024-bit or 2048-bit host key created by the Security Wizard A 2048-bit RSA host key generated by the Rack PDU |
| | Add or Replace: Browse to and upload a host key file created by the Security Wizard. To use the APC Security Wizard, see the Security Handbook, available at www.apc.com. |
| | Note:To reduce the time required to enable SSH, create and upload a host key in advance. If you enable SSH with no host key loaded, the Rack PDU takes up to one minute to create a host key, and the SSH server is not accessible during that time. |
| | Remove: Remove the current host key. |



Note: To use SSH, you must have an SSH client installed. Most Linux and other UNIX platforms include an SSH client, but Microsoft Windows operating systems do not. Clients are available from various vendors.

SNMP

All user names, passwords, and community names for SNMP are transferred over the network as plain text. If your network requires the high security of encryption, disable SNMP access or set the access for each community to Read. (A community with Read access can receive status information and use SNMP traps.)

When using InfraStruxure Central to manage a Rack PDU on the public network of an InfraStruxure system, you must have SNMP enabled in the Rack PDU interface. Read access will allow the InfraStruxure device to receive traps from the Rack PDU, but Write access is required while you use the interface of the Rack PDU to set the InfraStruxure device as a trap receiver.



For detailed information on enhancing and managing the security of your system, see the *Security Handbook*, available at **www.apc.com.**

SNMPv1

Path: Administration > Network > SNMPv1 > options

| Option | Description |
|-------------------|--|
| access | Enable SNMPv1 Access: Enables SNMP version 1 as a method of communication with this device. |
| access control | You can configure up to four access control entries to specify which Network Management Systems (NMSs) have access to this device. The opening page for access control, by default, assigns one entry to each of the four available SNMPv1 communities, but you can edit these settings to apply more than one entry to any community to grant access by several specific IPv4 and IPv6 addresses, host names, or IP address masks. To edit the access control settings for a community, click its community name. • If you leave the default access control entry unchanged for a community, that community has access to this device from any location on the network. • If you configure multiple access control entries for one community name, the limit of four entries requires that one or more of the other communities must have no access control entry. If no access control entry is listed for a community, that community has no access to this device. Community Name: The name that an NMS must use to access the community. The maximum length is 15 ASCII characters, and the default community names for the four communities are public, private, public2, and private2. |
| | NMS IP/Host Name: The IPv4 or IPv6 address, IP address mask, or host name that controls access by NMSs. A host name or a specific IP address (such as 149.225.12.1) allows access only by the NMS at that location. IP addresses that contain 255 restrict access as follows: • 149.225.12.255: Access only by an NMS on the 149.225.12 segment. • 149.225.255.255: Access only by an NMS on the 149.225 segment. • 149.255.255.255: Access only by an NMS on the 149 segment. • 0.0.0.0 (the default setting) which can also be expressed as 255.255.255.255: Access by any NMS on any segment. Access Type: The actions an NMS can perform through the community. • Read: GETS only, at any time • Write: GETS at any time, and SETS when no user is logged onto the Web interface or command line interface. • Write+: GETS and SETS at any time. • Disable: No GETS or SETS at any time. |

SNMPv3

Path: Administration > Network > SNMPv3 > options

For SNMP GETs, SETs, and trap receivers, SNMPv3 uses a system of user profiles to identify users. An SNMPv3 user must have a user profile assigned in the MIB software program to perform GETs and SETs, browse the MIB, and receive traps.



Note: To use SNMPv3, you must have a MIB program that supports SNMPv3.

The Rack PDU supports SHA or MD5 authentication and AES or DES encryption.

| Option | Description |
|------------------|--|
| access | SNMPv3 Access: Enables SNMPv3 as a method of communication with this device. |
| user profiles | By default, lists the settings of four user profiles, configured with the user names apc snmp profile1 through apc snmp profile4 , and no authentication and no privacy (no encryption). To edit the following settings for a user profile, click a user name in the list. |
| | User Name: The identifier of the user profile. SNMP version 3 maps GETs, SETs, and traps to a user profile by matching the user name of the profile to the user name in the data packet being transmitted. A user name can have up to 32 ASCII characters. |
| | Authentication Passphrase: A phrase of 15 to 32 ASCII characters (apc auth passphrase, by default) that verifies that the NMS communicating with this device through SNMPv3 is the NMS it claims to be, that the message has not been changed during transmission, and that the message was communicated in a timely manner, indicating that it was not delayed and that it was not copied and sent again later at an inappropriate time. |
| | Privacy Passphrase: A phrase of 15 to 32 ASCII characters (apc crypt passphrase, by default) that ensures the privacy of the data (by means of encryption) that an NMS is sending to this device or receiving from this device through SNMPv3. |
| | Authentication Protocol: The APC implementation of SNMPv3 supports SHA and MD5 authentication. Authentication will not occur unless an authentication protocol is selected. |
| | Privacy Protocol: The implementation of SNMPv3 supports AES and DES as the protocols for encrypting and decrypting data. Privacy of transmitted data requires that a privacy protocol is selected and that a privacy passphrase is provided in the request from the NMS. When a privacy protocol is enabled but the NMS does not provide a privacy passphrase, the SNMP request is not encrypted. |
| | Note: You cannot select the privacy protocol if no authentication protocol is selected. |

| Option | Description |
|--------|--|
| access | You can configure up to four access control entries to specify which NMSs have access to this device. The opening page for access control, by default, assigns one entry to each of the four user profiles, but you can edit these settings to apply more than one entry to any user profile to grant access by several specific IP addresses, host names, or IP address masks. • If you leave the default access control entry unchanged for a user profile, all NMSs that use that profile have access to this device. • If you configure multiple access entries for one user profile, the limit of four entries requires that one or more of the other user profiles must have no access control entry. If no access control entry is listed for a user profile, no NMS that uses that profile has any access to this device. To edit the access control settings for a user profile, click its user name. Access: Mark the Enable checkbox to activate the access control specified by the parameters in this access control entry. |
| | User Name: From the drop-down list, select the user profile to which this access control entry will apply. The choices available are the four user names that you configure through the user profiles option on the left navigation menu. NMS IP/Host Name: The IP address, IP address mask, or host name that controls access by the NMS. A host name or a specific IP address (such as 149.225.12.1) allows access only by the NMS at that location. An IP address mask that contains 255 restricts access as follows: 149.225.12.255: Access only by an NMS on the 149.225.12 segment. 149.225.255.255: Access only by an NMS on the 149.225 segment. 149.255.255.255: Access only by an NMS on the 149 segment. 0.0.0.0 (the default setting) which can also be expressed as 255.255.255: Access by any NMS on any segment. |

FTP Server

Path: Administration > Network > FTP Server

The **FTP Server** settings enable (by default) or disable access to the FTP server and specify the TCP/IP port (21 by default) that the FTP server uses to communicate with the Rack PDU. The FTP server uses both the specified port and the port one number lower than the specified port.

You can change the **Port** setting to the number of any unused port from 5001 to 32768 for added security. Users must then use a colon (:) to specify the non-default port number. For example, for port 5001 and IP address 152.214.12.114; the command would be ftp 152.214.12.114:5001.



Note: FTP transfers files without encryption. For higher security, disable the FTP server, and transfer files with SCP. Selecting and configuring Secure SHell (SSH) enables SCP automatically.

At any time that you want a Rack PDU to be accessible for management by InfraStruxure Central, FTP Server must be enabled in the Rack PDU interface.



For detailed information on enhancing and managing the security of your system, see the *Security Handbook*, available at **www.apc.com**.

Administration: Notification

Event Actions

Path: Administration > Notification > Event Actions > options

Types of notification

You can configure event actions to occur in response to an event or group of events. These actions notify users of the event in any of several ways:

- Active, automatic notification. The specified users or monitoring devices are contacted directly.
 - E-mail notification
 - SNMP traps
 - APC Remote Monitoring Service
 - Syslog notification
- · Indirect notification
 - Event log. If no direct notification is configured, users must check the log to determine which events have occurred



You can also log system performance data to use for device monitoring. See "Data log" on page 73 for information on how to configure and use this data logging option.

– Queries (SNMP GETs)



For more information, see "SNMP" on page 90. SNMP enables an NMS to perform informational queries. For SNMPv1, which does not encrypt data before transmission, configuring the most restrictive SNMP access type (READ) enables informational queries without the risk of allowing remote configuration changes.

Configuring event actions

Notification parameters. For events that have an associated clearing event, you can also set the following parameters as you configure events individually or by group, as described in the next two sections. To access the parameters, click the receiver or recipient name.

| Parameter | Description |
|--|---|
| Delay x time before sending | If the event persists for the specified time, a notification is sent. If the condition clears before the time expires, no notification is sent. |
| Repeat at an interval of <i>x</i> time | The notification is sent at the specified interval (e.g., every 2 minutes). |
| Up to x times | During an active event, the notification repeats for this number of times. |
| Until condition clears | The notification is sent repeatedly until the condition clears or is resolved. |

Configuring by event. To define event actions for an individual event:

- 1. Select the **Administration** tab, **Notification** on the top menu bar, and **by event** under **Event Actions** on the left navigation menu.
- 2. In the list of events, review the marked columns to see whether the action you want is already configured. (By default, logging is configured for all events.)
- 3. To view or change the current configuration, such as recipients to be notified by e-mail or paging, or Network Management Systems (NMSs) to be notified by SNMP traps, click on the event name.



Note: If no Syslog server is configured, items related to Syslog configuration are not displayed.



When viewing details of an event's configuration, you can change the configuration, enable or disable event logging or Syslog, or disable notification for specific e-mail recipients or trap receivers, but you cannot add or remove recipients or receivers. To add or remove recipients or receivers, see the following:

- "Identifying Syslog servers" on page 100
- "E-mail recipients" on page 96
- "Trap Receivers" on page 98

Configuring by group. To configure a group of events simultaneously:

- 1. Select the **Administration** tab, **Notification** on the top menu bar, and **by group** under **Event Actions** on the left navigation menu.
- 2. Choose how to group events for configuration:
 - Choose **Grouped by severity**, and then select all events of one or more severity levels. You cannot change the severity of an event.
 - Choose Grouped by category, and then select all events in one or more pre-defined categories.
- 3. Click **Next>>** to move from page to page to do the following:
 - a. Select event actions for the group of events.
 - To choose any action except **Logging** (the default), you must first have at least one relevant recipient or receiver configured.
 - If you choose **Logging** and have configured a Syslog server, select **Event Log** or **Syslog** (or both) on the next page.
 - b. Select whether to leave the newly configured event action enabled for this group of events or to disable the action.

Active, Automatic, Direct Notification

E-mail notification

Overview of setup. Use the Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP) to send e-mail to up to four recipients when an event occurs.

To use the e-mail feature, you must define the following settings:

- The IP addresses of the primary and, optionally, the secondary Domain Name System (DNS) servers. (See "DNS" on page 86.)
- The IP address or DNS name for **SMTP Server** and **From Address.** (See "SMTP" on page 96.)
- The e-mail addresses for a maximum of four recipients. (See "E-mail recipients" on page 96.)



Note: You can use the **To Address** setting of the **recipients** option to send e-mail to a text-based mobile device.

SMTP.

Path: Administration > Notification > E-mail > server

| Setting | Description |
|-------------------------|--|
| Local SMTP Server | The IPv4/IPv6 address or DNS name of the local SMTP server. Note:This definition is required only when SMTP Server is set to Local . See "E-mail recipients" on page 96. |
| From Address | The contents of the From field in e-mail messages sent by the Rack PDU: • In the format user@ [IP_address] (if an IP address is specified as Local SMTP Server) • In the format user@domain (if DNS is configured and the DNS name is specified as Local SMTP Server) in the e-mail messages. Note:The local SMTP server may require that you use a valid user account on the server for this setting. See the server's documentation. |

E-mail recipients.

Path: Administration > Notification > E-mail > recipients

Identify up to four e-mail recipients.

| Setting | Description |
|----------------------|--|
| To Address | The user and domain names of the recipient. To use e-mail for paging, use the e-mail address for the recipient's pager gateway account (for example, myacct100@skytel.com). The pager gateway will generate the page. |
| | To bypass the DNS lookup of the mail server's IP address, use the IP address in brackets instead of the e-mail domain name, e.g., use jsmith@[xxx.xxx.xxxx] instead of jsmith@company.com. This is useful when DNS lookups are not working correctly. Note:The recipient's pager must be able to use text-based messaging. |
| E-mail Generation | Enables (by default) or disables sending e-mail to the recipient. |

| Setting | Description |
|--|--|
| SMTP Server | Select one of the following methods for routing e-mail: Local: Through the Rack PDU's SMTP server. This setting (recommended) ensures that the e-mail is sent before the Rack PDU's 20-second time-out, and, if necessary, is retried several times. Also do one of the following: Enable forwarding at the Rack PDU's SMTP server so that it can route e-mail to external SMTP servers. Typically, SMTP servers are not configured to forward e-mail. Check with the administrator of your SMTP server before changing its configuration to allow forwarding. Set up a special e-mail account for the Rack PDU to forward e-mail to an external mail account. Recipient: Directly to the recipient's SMTP server. With this setting, the Rack PDU tries to send the e-mail only once. On a busy remote SMTP server, the time-out may prevent some e-mail from being sent. |
| | When the recipient uses the Rack PDU's SMTP server, this setting has no effect. |
| Format | The long format contains Name, Location, Contact, IP address, serial number of the device, date and time, event code, and event description. The short format provides only the event description. |
| Language | Choose a language from the drop-down list and any mails will be sent in that language. It is possible to use different languages for different users. |
| User Name Password Confirm Password | If your mail server requires authentication, type your user name and password here. This performs a simple authentication, not SSI. |

E-mail test.

Path: Administration > Notification > E-mail > test

Send a test message to a configured recipient.

SNMP traps

Trap Receivers.

Path: Administration > Notification > SNMP Traps > trap receivers

View trap receivers by NMS IP/Host Name. You can configure up to six trap receivers.

- To configure a new trap receiver, click **Add Trap Receiver**.
- To modify or delete a trap receiver, first click its IP address or host name to access its settings. (If you delete a trap receiver, all notification settings configured under Event Actions for the deleted trap receiver are set to their default values.)
- To specify the trap type for a trap receiver, select either the SNMPv1 or SNMPv3 radio button. For an NMS to receive both types of traps, you must configure two trap receivers for that NMS, one for each trap type.

| Item | Definition |
|------------------|---|
| Trap Generation | Enable (the default) or disable trap generation for this trap receiver. |
| NMS IP/Host Name | The IPv4/IPv6 address or host name of this trap receiver. The default, 0.0.0.0, leaves the trap receiver undefined. |
| Language | Choose a language from the drop-down list. This can differ from the UI and from other trap receivers. |

SNMPv1 option.

| Item | Definition |
|--------------------|---|
| Community Name | The name (public by default) used as an identifier when SNMPv1 traps are sent to this trap receiver. |
| Authenticate Traps | When this option is enabled (the default), the NMS identified by the NMS IP/Host Name setting will receive authentication traps (traps generated by invalid attempts to log on to this device). To disable that ability, unmark the checkbox. |

SNMPv3 option. Select the identifier of the user profile for this trap receiver. (To view the settings of the user profiles identified by the user names selectable here, choose **Network** on the top menu bar and **user profiles** under **SNMPv3** on the left navigation menu.)



See "SNMPv3" on page 91 for information on creating user profiles and selecting authentication and encryption methods.

SNMP Trap Test

Path: Administration > Notification > SNMP Traps > test

Last Test Result. The result of the most recent SNMP trap test. A successful SNMP trap test verifies only that a trap was sent; it does not verify that the trap was received by the selected trap receiver. A trap test succeeds if all of the following are true:

- The SNMP version (SNMPv1 or SNMPv3) configured for the selected trap receiver is enabled on this device.
- The trap receiver is enabled.
- If a host name is selected for the **To** address, that host name can be mapped to a valid IP address.

To. Select the IP address or host name to which a test SNMP trap will be sent. If no trap receiver is configured, a link to the **Trap Receiver** configuration page is displayed.

Remote Monitoring Service

Path: Administration > Notification > Remote Monitoring

The APC Remote Monitoring Service (RMS) is an optional service that monitors your system from a remote operation center 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and notifies you of device and system events.



To purchase the APC RMS service, contact your vendor or click on the link on the top part of this screen page: **APC RMS Web site**.

Registration. To activate RMS for the Rack PDU, select **Enable APC Remote Monitoring Service.**, choose between **Register Company and Device** and **Register Device Only**, complete the form, and click **Send APC RMS Registration**.

Use the **Reset APC Remote Monitoring Service Registration** check box to discontinue the service, whether permanently or temporarily (for example, if you are moving a Rack PDU).

Syslog

Path: Logs > Syslog > options

The Rack PDU can send messages to up to four Syslog servers when an event occurs. The Syslog servers record events that occur at network devices in a log that provides a centralized record of events.



This User guide does not describe Syslog or its configuration values in detail. See RFC3164 for more information about Syslog.

Identifying Syslog servers.

Path: Logs > Syslog > servers

| Setting | Definition |
|------------------|--|
| Syslog Server | Uses IPv4/IPv6 addresses or host names to identify from one to four servers to receive Syslog messages sent by the Rack PDU. |
| Port | The user datagram protocol (UDP) port that the Rack PDU will use to send Syslog messages. The default is 514 , the UDP port assigned to Syslog. |
| Protocol | Choose between UDP and TCP. |
| Language | Choose the language for any Syslog messages. |

Syslog settings.

Path: Logs > Syslog > settings

| Setting | Definition |
|-----------------------|--|
| Message Generation | Enables (by default) or disables the Syslog feature. |
| Facility Code | Selects the facility code assigned to the Rack PDU's Syslog messages (User , by default). Note: User best defines the Syslog messages sent by the Rack PDU. Do not change this selection unless advised to do so by the Syslog network or system administrator. |
| Severity Mapping | Maps each severity level of Rack PDU or Environment events to available Syslog priorities. You should not need to change the mappings. |
| | The following definitions are from RFC3164: • Emergency: The system is unusable • Alert: Action must be taken immediately • Critical: Critical conditions • Error: Error conditions • Warning: Warning conditions • Notice: Normal but significant conditions • Informational: Informational messages • Debug: Debug-level messages Following are the default settings for the Local Priority settings: • Severe is mapped to Critical • Warning is mapped to Warning • Informational is mapped to Info Note: To disable Syslog messages, see "Configuring event actions" on page 94. |

Syslog test and format example.

Path: Logs > Syslog > test

Send a test message to the Syslog servers configured through the **servers** option.

- 1. Select a severity to assign to the test message.
- 2. Define the test message, according to the required message fields
 - The priority (PRI): the Syslog priority assigned to the message's event, and the facility code of messages sent by the Rack PDU.
 - The Header: a time stamp and the IP address of the Rack PDU.
 - The message (MSG) part:
 - The TAG field, followed by a colon and space, identifies the event type.
 - The CONTENT field is the event text, followed (optionally) by a space and the event code.

For example, APC: Test Syslog is valid.

Administration: General Options

Identification

Path: Administration > General > Identification

Define the **Name** (the device name), **Location** (the physical location), and **Contact** (the person responsible for the device) used by InfraStruxure Central and the SNMP agent of the Rack PDU. These settings are the values used for the MIB-II **sysName**, **sysContact**, and **sysLocation** Object Identifiers (OIDs).



For more information about MIB-II OIDs, see the *PowerNet*[®] *SNMP Management Information Base (MIB) Reference Guide*, available at **www.apc.com**.

The **Name** and **Location** fields also identify the device when you register for APC Remote Monitoring Service. See "Remote Monitoring Service" on page 99.

Set the Date and Time

Mode

Path: Administration > General > Date & Time > mode

Set the time and date used by the Rack PDU. You can change the current settings manually or through a Network Time Protocol (NTP) Server:

- Manual Mode: Do one of the following:
 - Enter the date and time for the Rack PDU.
 - Mark the checkbox Apply Local Computer Time to match the date and time settings of the computer you are using.
- Synchronize with NTP Server: Have an NTP Server define the date and time for the Rack PDU.



Note: By default, any Rack PDU on the private side of an InfraStruxure Central obtains its time settings by using InfraStruxure Central as an NTP server.

| Setting | Definition |
|----------------------|---|
| Primary NTP Server | Enter the IP address or domain name of the primary NTP server. |
| Secondary NTP Server | Enter the IP address or domain name of the secondary NTP server, when a secondary server is available. |
| Time Zone | Select a time zone. The number of hours preceding each time zone in the list is the offset from Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), formerly Greenwich Mean Time. |
| Update Interval | Define how often, in hours, the Rack PDU accesses the NTP Server for an update. <i>Minimum</i> : 1; <i>Maximum</i> : 8760 (1 year). |
| Update Using NTP Now | Initiate an immediate update of the date and time by the NTP Server. |

Daylight saving

Path: Administration > General > Date & Time > daylight saving

Enable traditional United States Daylight Saving Time (DST), or enable and configure a customized daylight saving time to match how Daylight Saving Time is implemented in your local area. DST is disabled by default.

When customizing Daylight Saving Time (DST):

- If the local DST always starts or ends on the fourth occurrence of a specific weekday of a month (e.g, the fourth Sunday), choose **Fourth/Last**. If a fifth Sunday occurs in that month in a subsequent year, the time setting still changes on the fourth Sunday.
- If the local DST always starts or ends on the last occurrence of a specific weekday of a month, whether it is the fourth or the fifth occurrence, choose **Fifth/Last**.

Format

Path: Administration > General > Date & Time > date format

Select the numerical format in which to display all dates in this user interface. In the selections, each letter m (for month), d (for day), and y (for year) represents one digit. Single-digit days and months are displayed with a leading zero.

Use an .ini File

Path: Administration > General > User Config File

Use the settings from one Rack PDU to configure another. Retrieve the config.ini file from the configured Rack PDU, customize that file (e.g., change the IP address), and upload the customized file to the new Rack PDU. The file name can be up to 64 characters, and must have the ini suffix.

| Status | Reports the progress of the upload. The upload succeeds even if the file contains errors, but a system event reports the errors in the event log. |
|--------|---|
| Upload | Browse to the customized file and upload it so that the current Rack PDU can use it to set its own configuration. |



To retrieve and customize the file of a configured Rack PDU, see "How to Export Configuration Settings" on page 110.

Instead of uploading the file to one Rack PDU, you can export the file to multiple Rack PDUs by using an FTP or SCP script.

Event Log and Temperature Units

Path: Administration > General > Preferences

Color-code event log text

This option is disabled by default. Mark the **Event Log Color Coding** checkbox to enable color-coding of alarm text recorded in the event log. System-event entries and configuration-change entries do not change color.

| Text Color | Alarm Severity |
|------------|---|
| Red | Critical: A critical alarm exists, which requires immediate action. |
| Orange | Warning : An alarm condition requires attention and could jeopardize your data or equipment if its cause is not addressed. |
| Green | Alarm Cleared: The conditions that caused the alarm have improved. |
| Black | Normal : No alarms are present. The Rack PDU and all connected devices are operating normally. |

Change the default temperature scale

Select the temperature scale (Fahrenheit or Celsius) in which to display all temperature measurements in this user interface.

Reset the Rack PDU

Path: Administration > General > Reset/Reboot

| Action | Definition | |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| Reboot Management Interface | Restarts the interface of the Rack PDU. | |
| Reset All ¹ | Clear the Exclude TCP/IP checkbox to reset all configuration values; mark the Exclude TCP/IP checkbox to reset all values except TCP/IP. | |
| Reset Only ¹ | TCP/IP settings : Set TCP/IP Configuration to DHCP & BOOTP , its default setting, requiring that the Rack PDU receive its TCP/IP settings from a DHCP or BOOTP server. See "TCP/IP and Communication Settings" on page 82. | |
| | Event configuration : Reset all changes to event configuration, by event and by group, to their default settings. | |
| | RPDU to Defaults: Resets only Rack PDU settings, not network settings, to their defaults. | |
| 1. Resetting may t | ake up to a minute. | |

Configure Links

Path: Administration > General > Quick Links

Select the **Administration** tab, **General** on the top menu bar, and **Quick Links** on the left navigation menu to view and change the URL links displayed at the bottom left of each page of the interface.

By default, these links access the following Web pages:

- Link 1: The home page of the APC Web site.
- Link 2: A page where you can use samples of Web-enabled products.
- Link 3: The home page of the Schneider Electric Remote Monitoring Service.

To reconfigure any of the following, click the link name in the **Display** column:

- **Display**: The short link name displayed on each interface page
- Name: A name that fully identifies the target or purpose of the link
- Address: Any URL—for example, the URL of another device or server

About the Rack PDU

Path: Administration > General > About

The hardware information is useful to APC Customer Support for troubleshooting problems with the Rack PDU. The serial number and MAC address are also available on the Rack PDU itself.

Firmware information for the Application Module, APC OS (AOS), and APC Boot Monitor indicates the name, the firmware version, and the date and time each firmware module was created. This information is also useful in troubleshooting and enables you to determine if updated firmware is available at the APC Web site.

Management Uptime is the length of time the interface has been running continuously.

Device IP Configuration Wizard

Capabilities, Requirements, and Installation

How to use the Wizard to configure TCP/IP settings

The Device IP Configuration Wizard configures the IP address, subnet mask, and default gateway of one or more Rack PDUs or network-enabled devices (devices containing an embedded APC Network Management Card [NMC]). You can use the Wizard in either of the following ways:

- Remotely over your TCP/IP network to discover and configure unconfigured Rack PDUs or devices on the same network segment as the computer running the Wizard.
- Through a direct connection from a serial port of your computer to a Rack PDU or device to configure or reconfigure it.

System requirements

Version 5.0.0 or higher of the Wizard runs on Microsoft Windows 2000, Windows Server® 2003, Windows Server® 2008 Windows XP, Windows Vista, and Windows 7.

Installation

To install the Wizard from a downloaded executable file:

- 1. Go to www.apc/tools/download.
- 2. Download the Device IP Configuration Wizard.
- 3. Run the executable file in the folder to which you downloaded it.

Use the Wizard

Most software firewalls must be temporarily disabled for the Wizard to discover unconfigured Rack PDUs.

Launch the Wizard

The installation creates a shortcut link in the **Start** menu to launch the Wizard.

Configure the basic TCP/IP settings remotely

Prepare to configure the settings. Before you run the Wizard:

- 1. Contact your network administrator to obtain valid TCP/IP settings.
- 2. If you are configuring multiple unconfigured Rack PDUs or network-enabled devices, obtain the MAC address of each one to identify it when the Wizard discovers it. (The Wizard displays the MAC address on the screen on which you then enter the TCP/IP settings.) The MAC address can be found:
 - On a label on the device
 - On the Quality Assurance slip that came with the Rack PDU or device

Run the Wizard to perform the configuration. To discover and configure the unconfigured Rack PDUs or network-enabled devices over the network:

- 1. From the **Start** menu, launch the Wizard. The Wizard detects the first Rack PDU or network-enabled device that is not configured.
- 2. Select **Remotely (over the network)**, and click **Next** >.
- 3. Enter the system IP, subnet mask, and default gateway for the Rack PDU or device identified by the MAC address. Click **Next** >.
 - On the **Transmit Current Settings Remotely** screen, if you check-mark **Start a Web browser when finished**, the default Web browser connects to the Rack PDU or device after the Wizard transmits the settings.
- 4. Click **Finish** to transmit the settings. If the IP address you entered is in use on the network, the Wizard prompts you to enter an IP address that is not in use. Enter a correct IP address, and click **Finish**.
- 5. If the Wizard finds another unconfigured Rack PDU or device, it displays the screen to enter TCP/IP settings. Repeat this procedure beginning at step 3, or to skip the Rack PDU or device whose MAC address is currently displayed, click **Cancel**.

Configure or reconfigure the TCP/IP settings locally

- 1. Contact your network administrator to obtain valid TCP/IP settings.
- 2. Connect the provided serial configuration cable (APC part number 940-0144A) from an available communications port on your computer to the serial port of the Rack PDU or device. Make sure no other application is using the computer port.
- 3. From the **Start** menu, launch the Wizard application.
- 4. If the Rack PDU or network-enabled device is not configured, wait for the Wizard to detect it. Otherwise, click **Next** >.
- 5. Select **Locally** (through the serial port), and click **Next** >.
- 6. Enter the system IP, subnet mask, and default gateway for the Rack PDU or device, and click **Next** >.
- 7. On the **Transmit Current Settings Remotely** screen, if you select **Start a Web browser when finished**, the default Web browser connects to the Rack PDU or device after the Wizard transmits the settings.
- 8. Click **Finish** to transmit the TCP/IP settings. If the IP address you entered is in use on the network, the Wizard prompts you to enter an IP address that is not in use. Enter a correct IP address, and click **Finish**.
- 9. If you selected **Start a Web browser when finished** in step 6, you can now configure other parameters through the Web interface of the Rack PDU or device.

How to Export Configuration Settings

Retrieving and Exporting the .ini File

Summary of the procedure

An Administrator can retrieve the .ini file of a Rack PDU and export it to another Rack PDU or to multiple Rack PDUs.

- 1. Configure a Rack PDU to have the settings you want to export.
- 2. Retrieve the .ini file from that Rack PDU.
- 3. Customize the file to change at least the TCP/IP settings.
- 4. Use a file transfer protocol supported by the Rack PDU to transfer a copy to one or more other Rack PDUs. For a transfer to multiple Rack PDUs, use an FTP or SCP script or the .ini file utility.

Each receiving Rack PDU uses the file to reconfigure its own settings and then deletes it.

Contents of the .ini file

The config.ini file you retrieve from a Rack PDU contains the following:

- section headings and keywords (only those supported for the device from which you retrieve the file): Section headings are category names enclosed in brackets ([]). Keywords, under each section heading, are labels describing specific Rack PDU settings. Each keyword is followed by an equals sign and a value (either the default or a configured value).
- The Override keyword: With its default value, this keyword prevents the exporting of one or more keywords and their device-specific values. For example, in the [NetworkTCP/IP] section, the default value for Override (the MAC address of the Rack PDU) blocks the exporting of values for the SystemIP, SubnetMask, DefaultGateway, and BootMode.

Detailed procedures

Retrieving. To set up and retrieve an .ini file to export:

- 1. If possible, use the interface of a Rack PDU to configure it with the settings to export. Directly editing the .ini file risks introducing errors.
- 2. To use FTP to retrieve config.ini from the configured Rack PDU:
 - a. Open a connection to the Rack PDU, using its IP address:

ftp> open ip_address

- b. Log on using the Administrator user name and password.
- c. Retrieve the config.ini file containing the Rack PDU's settings:

ftp> get config.ini

The file is written to the folder from which you launched FTP.



To retrieve configuration settings from multiple Rack PDUs and export them to other Rack PDUs, see *Release Notes: ini File Utility, version 1.0*, available at **www.apc.com**.

Customizing. You must customize the file before you export it.

- 1. Use a text editor to customize the file.
 - Section headings, keywords, and pre-defined values are not case-sensitive, but string values that you define are case-sensitive.
 - Use adjacent quotation marks to indicate no value. For example, Linkurl1="" indicates that the URL is intentionally undefined.
 - Enclose in quotation marks any values that contain leading or trailing spaces or are already enclosed in quotation marks.
 - To export scheduled events, configure the values directly in the .ini file.
 - To export a system time with the greatest accuracy, if the receiving Rack PDUs can access a Network Time Protocol server, configure enabled for NTPEnable:

NTPEnable=enabled

Alternatively, reduce transmission time by exporting the [SystemDate/Time] section as a separate .ini file.

- To add comments, start each comment line with a semicolon (;).
- 2. Copy the customized file to another file name in the same folder:
 - The file name can have up to 64 characters and must have the .ini suffix.
 - Retain the original customized file for future use. The file that you retain is the only record of your comments.

Transferring the file to a single Rack PDU. To transfer the .ini file to another Rack PDU, do either of the following:

- From the Web interface of the receiving Rack PDU, select the **Administration** tab, **General** on the top menu bar, and **User Config File** on the left navigation menu. Enter the full path of the file, or use **Browse**.
- Use any file transfer protocol supported by Rack PDUs, i.e., FTP, FTP Client, SCP, or TFTP. The following example uses FTP:
 - a. From the folder containing the copy of the customized .ini file, use FTP to log in to the Rack PDU to which you are exporting the .ini file:

ftp> open ip_address

b. Export the copy of the customized .ini file to the root directory of the receiving Rack PDU:

ftp> put filename.ini

Exporting the file to multiple Rack PDUs. To export the .ini file to multiple Rack PDUs:

- Use FTP or SCP, but write a script that incorporates and repeats the steps used for exporting the file to a single Rack PDU.
- Use a batch processing file and the .ini file utility.



To create the batch file and use the utility, see *Release Notes: ini File Utility, version 1.0*, available at **www.apc.com**.

The Upload Event and Error Messages

The event and its error messages

The following event occurs when the receiving Rack PDU completes using the .ini file to update its settings.

Configuration file upload complete, with number valid values

If a keyword, section name, or value is invalid, the upload by the receiving Rack PDU succeeds, and additional event text states the error.

| Event text | Description |
|--|---|
| Configuration file warning: Invalid keyword on line <i>number</i> . | A line with an invalid keyword or value is ignored. |
| Configuration file warning: Invalid value on line <i>number</i> . | |
| Configuration file warning: Invalid section on line <i>number</i> . | If a section name is invalid, all keyword/value pairs in that section are ignored. |
| Configuration file warning: Keyword found outside of a section on line <i>number</i> . | A keyword entered at the beginning of the file (i.e., before any section headings) is ignored. |
| Configuration file warning: Configuration file exceeds maximum size. | If the file is too large, an incomplete upload occurs. Reduce the size of the file, or divide it into two files, and try uploading again. |

Messages in config.ini

A Rack PDU from which you download the config.ini file must be discovered successfully in order for its configuration to be included. If the Rack PDU is not present or is not discovered, the config.ini file contains a message under the appropriate section name, instead of keywords and values. For example:

Rack PDU not discovered

If you did not intend to export the configuration of the Rack PDU as part of the .ini file import, ignore these messages.

Errors generated by overridden values

The Override keyword and its value will generate error messages in the event log when it blocks the exporting of values.



See "Contents of the .ini file" on page 110 for information about which values are overridden.

Because the overridden values are device-specific and not appropriate to export to other Rack PDUs, ignore these error messages. To prevent these error messages, delete the lines that contain the Override keyword and the lines that contain the values that they override. Do not delete or change the line containing the section heading.

Related Topics

On Windows operating systems, instead of transferring .ini files, you can use the APC Device IP Configuration Wizard to update the basic TCP/IP settings of the Rack PDU and configure other settings through its user interface.



See "Device IP Configuration Wizard" on page 107.

File Transfers

How to Upgrade Firmware

Benefits of upgrading firmware

When you upgrade the firmware on the Rack PDU:

- You obtain the latest bug fixes and performance improvements.
- New features become available for immediate use.

Keeping the firmware versions consistent across your network ensures that all Rack PDUs support the same features in the same manner.

Firmware module files (Rack PDU)

A firmware release has three modules, and they *must* be upgraded (that is, placed on the Rack PDU) in this order:

- a boot monitor (bootmon) module
- an American Power Conversion Operating System (AOS) module
- an application module

(Each module contains one or more Cyclical Redundancy Checks (CRCs) to protect its data from corruption).

The boot monitor module, the AOS, and the application file names share the same basic format:

apc_hardware-version_type_firmware-version.bin

- apc: Indicates the context.
- hardware-version: hw0n where n identifies the hardware version on which you can use this file.
- type: Identifies which module.
- version: The version number of the file.
- bin: Indicates that this is a binary file.

Firmware File Transfer Methods



Upgrade the bootmon module first, then the AOS module, and finally, the application module by placing them on the Rack PDU in that order.

Obtain the free, latest firmware version from www.apcc.com/tools/download. To upgrade the firmware of one or more Rack PDUs, use 1 of these 5 methods:

- On a Windows operating system, use the **Firmware Upgrade Utility** downloaded from the APC Web site. See "Using the Firmware Upgrade Utility".
- On any supported operating system, use **FTP or SCP** to transfer the individual AOS and application firmware modules. See "Use FTP or SCP to upgrade one Rack PDU".
- For a Rack PDU that is NOT on your network, use **XMODEM** through a serial connection to transfer the individual firmware modules from your computer to the Rack PDU. See "Use XMODEM to upgrade one Rack PDU".
- Use a **USB drive** to transfer the individual firmware modules from your computer. See "How to upgrade multiple Rack PDUs".
- For upgrades to multiple Rack PDUs, see "Upgrading the firmware on multiple Rack PDUs" and "Using the Firmware Upgrade Utility for multiple upgrades on Windows".

Using the Firmware Upgrade Utility

This Firmware Upgrade Utility is part of the firmware upgrade package available on the APC Web site. (*Never* use an Upgrade Utility designated for one product to upgrade the firmware of another product).

Using the Utility for upgrades on Windows systems. On any supported Windows operating system, the Firmware Upgrade Utility automates the transferring of the firmware modules, *in the correct module order*. The utility only works with a Rack PDU that has an IPv4 address.

Unzip the downloaded firmware upgrade file and double-click the .exe file. Then enter the IP address, the user name, and the password in the dialog fields and click **Upgrade Now**. You can use the **Ping** button to test your entered details.

Using the Utility for manual upgrades, primarily on Linux. On non-Windows operating systems, the Firmware Upgrade Utility extracts the individual firmware modules, but does not upgrade the Rack PDU. See "Firmware File Transfer Methods" for the different upgrade methods after extraction.

To extract the firmware files:

- 1. After extracting files from the downloaded firmware upgrade file, run the **Firmware Upgrade Utility** (the .exe file).
- 2. At the prompts, click Next>, and then specify the directory location to which the files will be extracted.
- 3. When the Extraction Complete message displays, close the dialog box.

Use FTP or SCP to upgrade one Rack PDU

FTP. To use FTP to upgrade a Rack PDU over the network:

- The Rack PDU must be on the network, with its system IP, subnet mask, and default gateway configured.
- The FTP server must be enabled at the Rack PDU, see "FTP Server" on page 93.

To transfer the files (this procedure assumes bootmon does not need upgrading, it is always necessary to upgrade the other two though):

- 1. The firmware module files must be extracted, see "To extract the firmware files:".
- 2. At a computer on the network, open a command prompt window. Go to the directory that contains the firmware files, and list the files:

```
C:\>cd apc
C:\apc>dir
```

For file information, see "Firmware module files (Rack PDU)" on page 115.

3. Open an FTP client session:

```
C:\apc>ftp
```

- 4. Type open with the **IP** address of the Rack PDU, and press ENTER. If the port setting for the FTP Server has changed from its default of 21, you must use the non-default value in the FTP command.
 - For Windows FTP clients, separate a non-default port number from the IP address by a space. For example (showing a space before 21000):

```
ftp> open 150.250.6.10 21000
```

- Some FTP clients require a colon instead before the port number.
- 5. Log on as Administrator (apc is the default user name and password).
- 6. Upgrade the AOS. (Always upgrade the AOS before the application module).

```
ftp> bin
ftp> put apc_hw05_aos_nnn.bin (where nnn is the firmware version number)
```

- 7. When FTP confirms the transfer, type quit to close the session.
- 8. After 20 seconds, repeat step 3 through step 7, using the application module file name at step 6, .

SCP. To use Secure CoPy (SCP) to upgrade firmware for the Rack PDU, follow these steps (this procedure assumes bootmon does not need upgrading, it is always necessary to upgrade the other two though):

- 1. Locate the firmware modules, see "Using the Utility for manual upgrades, primarily on Linux.".
- 2. Use an SCP command line to transfer the AOS firmware module to the Rack PDU. The following example uses *nnn* to represent the version number of the AOS module:

```
scp apc_hw05_aos_nnn.bin apc@158.205.6.185:apc_hw05_aos_nnn.bin
```

3. Use a similar SCP command line, with the name of the application module, to transfer the application firmware module to the Rack PDU. (Always upgrade the AOS before the application module).

Use XMODEM to upgrade one Rack PDU

To use XMODEM to upgrade one Rack PDU that is not on the network, you must extract the firmware files from the Firmware Upgrade Utility (see "To extract the firmware files:").

To transfer the files (this procedure assumes bootmon does not need upgrading, it is always necessary to upgrade the other two though):

- 1. Select a serial port at the local computer and disable any service that uses the port.
- 2. Connect the provided serial configuration cable (part number 940-0144) to the selected port and to the RJ-12 style serial port at the Rack PDU.
- 3. Run a terminal program such as HyperTerminal, and configure the selected port for 57600 bps, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit, and no flow control.

- 4. Press the **Reset** button on the Rack PDU, then immediately press the **Enter** key twice, or until the Boot Monitor prompt displays: BM>
- 5. Type XMODEM, then press ENTER.
- 6. From the terminal program's menu, select XMODEM, then select the binary AOS firmware file to transfer using XMODEM. After the XMODEM transfer is complete, the Boot Monitor prompt returns. (Always upgrade the AOS before the application module).
- 7. To install the application module, repeat step 5 and step 6. In step 6, use the application module file name.
- 8. Type reset or press the **Reset** button to restart the Rack PDU.

How to upgrade multiple Rack PDUs

Firmware Upgrade Utility. Use this for multiple firmware updates in IPv4 if you have Windows. The utility records all upgrade steps in a log as a good reference to validate the upgrade.

Export configuration settings. You can create batch files and use a utility to retrieve configuration settings from multiple Rack PDUs and export them to other Rack PDUs.



See *Release Notes: ini File Utility, version 1.0*, available at **www.apc.com**.

Use FTP or SCP to upgrade multiple Rack PDUs. To upgrade multiple Rack PDUs using an FTP client or using SCP, write a script which automatically performs the procedure.

Using the Firmware Upgrade Utility for multiple upgrades

After downloading from the APC website, double click on the .exe file to run the utility (which ONLY works with IPv4) and follow these steps to upgrade your Rack PDU firmware:

- 1. Type in an IP address, a user name, and a password, and choose the **Ping** button if you need to verify an IP address.
- 2. Choose the **Device List** button to open the iplist.txt file. This should list any device IP, user name, and password, for example,

```
SystemIP=192.168.0.1
SystemUserName=apc
SystemPassword=apc
```

The new utility works fine with any existing iplist.txt file that you have used with the old version of the utility.

- 3. Select the **Upgrade From Device List** check box to use the iplist.txt file. Clear this check box to upgrade the firmware using the IP, user name and password you typed on the dialog box.
- 4. Choose the **Upgrade Now** button to start the firmware version update(s).
- 5. Choose **View Log** to verify any upgrade.

Using a USB flash drive to upgrade one Rack PDU



Note: Some flash drives are not compatible with the Rack PDU.



Note: When using a USB flash drive to perform a firmware upgrade load the boot monitor first, then the APC operating system module, and finally, the application module.

If you are unsure whether to upgrade any particular module, then upgrading all three is recommended.

- 1. Obtain the latest firmware files. See "To extract the firmware files:" on page 116.
- 2. Create a folder on your flash drive called **apcfirm**.
- 3. From the latest firmware files that you downloaded, add to the **apcfirm** folder the binary files for the firmware modules that you would like to upgrade. Examples of the binary files for the three firmware modules follow:

| Firmware Module | Binary File |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| APC Boot Monitor | apc_hw0x_bootmon_xxx.bin |
| APC Operating System (AOS) | apc_hw0x_aos_xxx.bin |
| Application Module | apc_hw0x_rpdu2g_xxx.bin |

4. Use a text editor such as Microsoft Notepad to create a file called **upload.rcf**. Add to the file a line for each firmware module that you want to upgrade as shown below:

```
BM=apc_hw0x_bootmon_xxx.bin

AOS=apc_hw0x_aos_xxx.bin

APP=apc_hw0x_rpdu2g_xxx.bin
```

- 5. Add the **upload.rcf** file to the **apcfirm** folder on the flash drive.
- 6. Connect the flash drive to the USB port on the Rack PDU.
- 7. Either cycle power or press the **Reset** button for the upgrade process to begin.
- 8. Wait for two to three minutes for the upgrade to complete. When complete, the Rack PDU display will show the firmware version for three seconds and then will resume normal operation, at which time you can remove the flash drive.

Verifying Upgrades and Updates

Verify the success or failure of the transfer

To verify whether a firmware upgrade succeeded, use the xferStatus command in the command line interface to view the last transfer result, or use an SNMP GET to the **mfiletransferStatusLastTransferResult** OID.

Last Transfer Result codes

| Code | Description |
|----------------------|--|
| Successful | The file transfer was successful. |
| Result not available | There are no recorded file transfers. |
| Failure unknown | The last file transfer failed for an unknown reason. |
| Server inaccessible | The TFTP or FTP server could not be found on the network. |
| Server access denied | The TFTP or FTP server denied access. |
| File not found | The TFTP or FTP server could not locate the requested file. |
| File type unknown | The file was downloaded but the contents were not recognized. |
| File corrupt | The file was downloaded but at least one Cyclical Redundancy Check (CRC) failed. |

Verify the version numbers of installed firmware.

Use the Web interface to verify the versions of the upgraded firmware modules by selecting the **Administration** tab, **General** on the top menu bar, and **About** on the left navigation menu, or use an SNMP GET to the MIB II **sysDescr** OID. In the command line interface, use the about command.

Troubleshooting

Rack PDU Access Problems

For problems that persist or are not described here, see the back cover of this manual.

| Problem | Solution |
|--|---|
| Unable to ping the Rack PDU | If the Rack PDU's Status LED is green, try to ping another node on the same network segment as the Rack PDU. If that fails, it is not a problem with the Rack PDU. If the Status LED is not green, or if the ping test succeeds, perform the following checks: • Verify all network connections. • Verify the IP addresses of the Rack PDU and the NMS. • If the NMS is on a different physical network (or subnetwork) from the Rack PDU, verify the IP address of the default gateway (or router). • Verify the number of subnet bits for the Rack PDU's subnet mask. |
| Cannot allocate the communications port through a terminal program | Before you can use a terminal program to configure the Rack PDU, you must shut down any application, service, or program using the communications port. |
| Cannot access the command line interface through a serial connection | Make sure that you did not change the baud rate. Try 2400, 9600, 19200, or 38400. |
| Cannot access the command line interface remotely | Make sure you are using the correct access method, Telnet or Secure SHell (SSH). An Administrator can enable these access methods. By default, Telnet is enabled. Enabling SSH automatically disables Telnet. For SSH, the Rack PDU may be creating a host key. The Rack PDU can take up to one minute to create the host key, and SSH is inaccessible for that time. |
| Cannot access the Web interface | Verify that HTTP or HTTPS access is enabled. Make sure you are specifying the correct URL — one that is consistent with the security system used by the Rack PDU. SSL requires https, not http, at the beginning of the URL. Verify that you can ping the Rack PDU. Verify that you are using a Web browser supported for the Rack PDU. See "Supported Web Browsers" on page 51. If the Rack PDU has just restarted and SSL security is being set up, the Rack PDU may be generating a server certificate. The Rack PDU can take up to one minute to create this certificate, and the SSL server is not available during that time. |

Appendix A: List of Supported Commands

Network Management Card Command Descriptions

```
about
alarmcount
[-p [all | warning | critical]]
appcli
boot
[-b <dhcpBootp | dhcp | bootp | manual>]
[-a <remainDhcpBootp | gotoDhcpOrBootp>]
[-o <stop | prevSettings>]
[-f <retry then fail #>]
[-c <dhcp cookie> [enable | disable]]
[-s <retry then stop #>]
[-v <vendor class>]
[-i <cli>ent id>]
[-u <user class>]
cd
date
[-d <"datestring">]
[-t < 00:00:00>]
[-f [mm/dd/yy | dd.mm.yyyy | mmm-dd-yy | dd-mmm-yy | yyyy-mm-dd]]
delete
dir
eventlog
exit
format
ftp
[-p <port number>]
[-S <enable | disable>]
help
ping
[<IP address or DNS name>]
portspeed
[-s [auto | 10H | 10F | 100H | 100F]]
prompt
[-s [long | short]]
quit
```

```
radius
[-a <access> [local | radiusLocal | radius]]
[-p# <server IP>]
[-s# <server secret>]
[-t# <server timeout>]
reboot
resetToDef
[-p [all | keepip]]
system
[-n <system name>]
[-c <system contact>]
[-l < system location>]
[-i <IP address>]
[-s <subnet mask>]
[-g <gateway>]
[-d <domain name>]
[-h <host name>]
user
[-an <Administrator name>]
[-dn <Device User name>]
[-rn <Read-Only User name>]
[-ap <Administrator password>]
[-dp <Device User password>]
[-rp <Read-Only User password>]
[-t <inactivity timeout in minutes>]
web
[-S < disable | http | https>]
[-ph <http port #>]
[-ps <https port #>]
xferINI
xferStatus
```

Device Command Descriptions

```
bkLowLoad
[<"all" | bank#> <current>]
bkNearOver
[<"all" | bank#> <current>]
bkOverLoad
[<"all" | bank#> <current>]
bkReading
[<"all" | bank#>]
devLowLoad
[<power>]
devNearOver
[<power>]
```

```
devOverLoad
[<power>]
devReading
[<"power" | "energy">]
devStartDly
humLow
[<humidity>]
humMin
[<humidity>]
humReading
olAssignUsr
[<"all" | outlet name | outlet#> <user>]
olCancelCmd
[<"all" | outlet name | outlet#>]
olDlyOff
[<"all" | outlet name | outlet#>]
olDlyOn
[<"all" | outlet name | outlet#>]
olDlyReboot
[<"all" | outlet name | outlet#>]
olGroups
olName
[<"all" | outlet#> < newname>]
[<"all" | outlet name | outlet#>]
olOffDelay
[<"all" | outlet name | outlet#> <time>]
[<"all" | outlet name | outlet#>]
olOnDelay
[<"all" | outlet name | outlet#> <time>]
olRbootTime\\
[<"all" | outlet name | outlet#> <time>]
olRboot
[<"all" | outlet name | outlet#>]
olStatus
[<"all" | outlet name | outlet#>]
olUnasgnUsr
[<"all" | outlet name | outlet#> <user>]
phLowLoad
[<"all" | phase#> <current>]
phNearOver
[<"all" | phase#> <current>]
```

```
phOverLoad
[<"all" | phase#> <current>]
phReading
[<"all" | phase#> <"current" | "voltage" | "power">]
phRestrictn
[<"all" | outlet name | outlet#> <"over" | "near" | "none">]
prodInfo
sensorName
[<sensor name>]
tempHigh
[<"F" | "C"> <temperature>]
tempMax
[<"F" | "C"> <temperature>]
tempReading
[<"F" | "C">]
userAdd
[<new user>]
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[<user>]
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whoami
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- Contact the APC Customer Support Center by telephone or e-mail.
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