

NAME

fail2ban-server - start the server

SYNOPSIS

fail2ban-server [*OPTIONS*]

DESCRIPTION

Fail2Ban v1.0.2 reads log file that contains password failure report and bans the corresponding IP addresses using firewall rules.

OPTIONS

-c, --conf <DIR>

configuration directory

-s, --socket <FILE>

socket path

-p, --pidfile <FILE>

pidfile path

--pname <NAME>

name of the process (main thread) to identify instance (default fail2ban-server)

--loglevel <LEVEL>

logging level

--logtarget <TARGET>

logging target, use file-name or stdout, stderr, syslog or sysout.

--syslogsocket auto|<FILE>

-d dump configuration. For debugging

--dp, --dump-pretty

dump the configuration using more human readable representation

-t, --test

test configuration (can be also specified with start parameters)

-i interactive mode

- v** increase verbosity
 - q** decrease verbosity
 - x** force execution of the server (remove socket file)
 - b** start server in background (default)
 - f** start server in foreground
- async**
start server in async mode (for internal usage only, don't read configuration)
- timeout**
timeout to wait for the server (for internal usage only, don't read configuration)
- str2sec <STRING>**
convert time abbreviation format to seconds
- h, --help**
display this help message
- V, --version**
print the version (-V returns machine-readable short format)

REPORTING BUGS

Report bugs to <https://github.com/fail2ban/fail2ban/issues>

SEE ALSO

[fail2ban-client\(1\)](#)