

# Installation

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This guide shows you how to install ForgeRock Access Management for access and federation management.

Unless you are planning a demo or test installation, read the [Release Notes](#) before you get started.



## **Prepare the environment for deployment**

Prerequisites for deploying Access Management software.



## **Prepare the Java container**

Prepare the application server of your choice.



## **Install AM**

Install AM servers for high availability.



## **Prepare external stores**

Covers identity, configuration, and policy/application stores.



## **Remove installations**

Uninstall AM and start over.



## **Troubleshoot installations**

[Troubleshoot or repair an AM installation.](#)

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## Download AM

The [ForgeRock BackStage download site](#) hosts downloads, including a .zip file with all of the AM components, the .war file, AM tools, the configurator, web and Java agents, Identity Gateway, and documentation. Review the Software License and Subscription Agreement presented before you download AM files.

For each release of AM, you can download the entire package as a .zip file, only the AM .war file, or only the administrative tools as a .zip archive. The Archives only have the AM source code used to build the release.

After you download the .zip file, create a new directory for AM, and unzip the .zip file to access the content.

```
$ cd ~/Downloads
$ mkdir openam && cd openam
$ unzip ~/Downloads/AM-7.2.2.zip
```

When you unzip the archive of the entire package, you get Idif, license, and legal directories in addition to the following files:

### *Distribution Files*

File	Description
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File	Description
AM-7.2.2.war	<p>The distribution .war file includes the core server code with an embedded DS server. The distribution includes an administrative graphical user interface (GUI) Web console.</p> <p>During installation, the .war file accesses properties to obtain the fully qualified domain name, port, context path, and the location of the configuration folder. These properties can be obtained from the boot.json file in the AM installation directory, from environment variables, or from a combination of the two. This file is also available to download individually.</p>
AM-crypto-tool-7.2.2.war	<p>AM provides a utility with some cryptographic functionality used for creating Docker images.</p> <p>This utility is strictly for future use, and is not currently supported.</p>
AM-Soap-STS-Server-7.2.2.war	<p>AM provides a SOAP-based security token service (STS) server that issues tokens based on the WS-Security protocol.<sup>(1)</sup></p>
AM-SSOAdminTools-5.1.3.27.zip	<p>AM provides an ssoadm command-line tool that allows administrators to configure and maintain AM as well as create their own configuration scripts.</p> <p>The zip distribution file contains binaries, properties file, script templates, and setup scripts for UNIX and Windows servers.</p>

File	Description
AM-SSOConfiguratorTools-5.1.3.27.zip	<p>AM provides configuration and upgrade tools for installing and maintaining your server.</p> <p>The zip distribution file contains libraries, legal notices, and supported binaries for these configuration tools. Also, you can view example configuration and upgrade properties files that can be used as a template for your deployments.</p>
Config-Upgrader-7.2.2.zip	<p>AM provides a configuration file upgrade tool.</p> <p>For more information on converting configuration files for import into AM, see the README.md file in the Config-Upgrader-7.2.2.zip file.</p>
Fedlet-7.2.2.zip	<p>AM provides an AM Fedlet, a light-weight SAML v2.0 service provider.</p> <p>The Fedlet lets you set up a federated deployment without the need of a fully-featured service provider.</p>
IDPDiscovery-7.2.2.war	<p>AM provides an IDP Discovery Profile (SAMLv2 binding profile) for its IDP Discovery service. The profile keeps track of the identity providers for each user.</p>

File	Description
sample-trees-7.2.2.zip	<p>Clean installs of AM with an embedded data store provide ready-made sample authentication trees to demonstrate how they can be put together.</p> <p>These sample trees are not installed by default on installs of AM with an external configuration store, or if you are upgrading an existing instance of AM. The <code>sample-trees-7.2.2.zip</code> file contains the sample trees in JSON files, ready for import by <i>Amster</i> command-line interface. For information on importing files by using <i>Amster</i>, see <a href="#">Importing Configuration Data</a> in the <i>Amster 7.2.0 User Guide</i>.</p>
Truststore-Utility-7.2.2.zip	<p>AM provides a utility to help with creating a trust store for use with web authentication.</p> <p>See the <code>readme.md</code> in the ZIP file for instructions, and <a href="#">MFA: Web authentication (WebAuthn)</a> for more information.</p>

<sup>(1)</sup> AM also provides REST-based STS service endpoints, which you can directly utilize on the AM server.

## Customize the AM WAR file

The most basic installations of AM do not require you to customize the AM WAR file before deploying it. If you need to customize any AM extension points, you should add the new classes to the WAR file before deploying it.

### TIP

To customize the secure cookie filter, refer to [Secure cookie filter](#).

You can also [customize the AM user pages](#) and package them into the WAR file.

For more information about the customizations to include in the WAR file, refer to [Customize before upgrading](#).

## Enable RSA SecurID support

To use the SecurID authentication module, you must first build an AM WAR file that includes the supporting libraries, `authapi.jar` and `crypto.jar`, which you must obtain from RSA.

1. Unpack the AM `.war` file. For example:

```
$ mkdir /tmp/openam
$ cd /tmp/openam/
$ jar -xf ~/Downloads/openam/AM-7.2.2.war
```

2. Obtain the `authapi.jar` and its dependency file, `crypto.jar` from RSA.

Copy `authapi.jar` into the `WEB-INF/lib` directory.

For example:

```
$ cp /path/to/authapi-<VERSION>.jar WEB-INF/lib/
```

3. Pack up the AM `.war` file. For example:

```
$ jar -cf ../openam.war *
```

4. Deploy the new `.war` file. For more information, see [Deploy AM](#).

In this example, the `.war` file to deploy is `/tmp/openam.war`.

## Prepare the environment

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Perform the following tasks to prepare your environment for AM:



### **Prepare an FQDN**

AM cookies require a fully qualified domain name.



### **Prepare a Java environment**

AM requires a JDK to run.



### **Configure maximum file descriptors**

Data stores use file descriptors for concurrent connections.

#### TIP

For more information about supported operating systems and Java requirements, refer to [Operating systems](#) and [Java](#).

## Prepare an FQDN

AM requires that you provide an FQDN when you configure it. Before you set up AM, be sure that your system has an FQDN, such as `openam.example.com`. For evaluation purposes, you can give your system an alias using the `/etc/hosts` file on UNIX systems or `%SystemRoot%\system32\drivers\etc\hosts` on Windows. For production deployments, make sure the FQDN is properly assigned using DNS.

Do not use the hostname `localhost` for AM, not even for testing purposes. AM relies on browser cookies, which are returned based on the domain name. You can set the cookie domain name value to an empty string for host-only cookies or to any non-top level domain. For example, if you install AM and use `openam.example.com` as the host, you can set the cookie domain name as `example.com`.

#### IMPORTANT

Do not configure a top-level domain as your cookie domain as browsers will reject them.

Top-level domains are browser-specific. Some browsers, like Firefox, also consider special domains like Amazon's web service (for example, `ap-southeast-2.compute.amazonaws.com`) to be a top-level domain.

Check the effective top-level domain list at [https://publicsuffix.org/list/effective\\_tld\\_names.dat](https://publicsuffix.org/list/effective_tld_names.dat) to ensure that you do not set your cookie to a domain in the list.

# Prepare the Java environment

AM software depends on a Java runtime environment. Check the output of the `java -version` command to make sure your version is supported according to [Java requirements](#).

## IMPORTANT

It is important to keep your Java software up-to-date with the latest supported version. Make sure that your `JAVA_HOME` environment variable always points to the latest supported Java version.

The following table summarizes the high-level tasks required to configure your Java environment:

Task	Resources
<p>Prepare your JDK.</p> <p>The suggestions in these sections pertain to AM deployments with the following characteristics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The deployment has a dedicated DS server for the Core Token Service. The host running this directory server is a high-end server with a large amount of memory and multiple CPUs.</li><li>• The AM server is configured to use server-side sessions.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Settings for Oracle Java environments</li><li>• Settings for OpenJDK Java environment</li></ul>
<p>Tune the JVM for AM</p> <p>ForgeRock provides guidance on how to tune the JVM for production, but you still need to tune it for garbage collection based on your environment.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tune JVM settings</li></ul>

## TIP

To configure JVM properties for proxy support, see [Configuring AM for Outbound Communication](#).

## Settings for Oracle Java environments

When using an Oracle Java environment, set at least the following options:

***-Xmx1g (minimum)***

AM requires at least a 1 GB heap. If you are including the embedded DS, AM requires at least a 2 GB heap, as 50% of that space is allocated to DS. Higher volume and higher performance deployments require additional heap space.

***-XX:MetaspaceSize=256m***

Set the metaspace memory size to 256 MB.

***-XX:MaxMetaspaceSize=256m***

Set the maximum metaspace memory size to 256 MB.

For additional JVM tuning and security recommendations, see Tune JVM settings.

## Settings for OpenJDK Java environment

When using an OpenJDK Java environment, set at least the following options.

***-Xmx1024m (minimum)***

AM requires at least a 1 GB heap. If you are including the embedded DS, AM requires at least a 2 GB heap, as 50% of that space is allocated to DS. Higher volume and higher performance deployments require additional heap space.

Recommended: `-Xmx2048m`.

***-XX:MetaspaceSize=256m***

Set the initial metadata space size to 256 MB.

## Tune JVM settings

This section gives some initial guidance on configuring the JVM for running AM when the deployment has a dedicated CTS token store, and AM is configured to use server-side sessions.

These settings provide a strong foundation to the JVM before a more detailed garbage collection tuning exercise, or as best practice configuration for production:

### *Heap size settings*

JVM parameters	Suggested value	Description
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JVM parameters	Suggested value	Description
-Xms & -Xmx	At least 1 GB (2 GB with embedded DS), in production environments at least 2 GB to 3 GB. This setting depends on the available physical memory, and on whether a 32- or 64-bit JVM is used.	
-XX:MetaspaceSize & -XX:MaxMetaspaceSize	Set both to 256 MB	Controls the size of the metaspace in the JVM
- Dsun.net.client.defaultReadTimeout	60000	Controls the read timeout in the Java HTTP client implementation.  This applies only to the Sun/Oracle HotSpot JVM.
- Dsun.net.client.defaultConnectTimeout	High setting: 30000 (30 seconds)	Controls the connect timeout in the Java HTTP client implementation  When you have hundreds of incoming requests per second, reduce this value to avoid a huge connection queue.  This applies only to the Sun/Oracle HotSpot JVM.

### *Security settings*

JVM parameters	Suggested value	Description
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JVM parameters	Suggested value	Description
-Dhttps.protocols	TLSv1.2	<p>Controls the protocols used for outbound HTTPS connections from AM.</p> <p>Specify one or more of the following values, separated by commas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TLSv1.2</li> <li>• TLSv1.3</li> </ul> <p>This setting applies only to Sun/Oracle Java environments.</p>
-Dorg.forgerock.openam.ldap.secure.protocol.version	TLSv1.2	<p>Controls the protocol AM uses to connect to affected external resources.</p> <p>Specify one or more of the following values, separated by commas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TLSv1.2</li> <li>• TLSv1.3</li> </ul> <p>This setting overrides the default server value. For details, refer to <a href="#">advanced properties</a>.</p>

### Garbage collection settings

JVM parameters	Suggested value	Description
-verbose:gc		Verbose garbage collection reporting.
-Xlog:gc*	- Xlog:gc=info:file=\$CATALINA_HOME/logs/gc-info.log	Logs detailed information about garbage collection. When using the -Xlog:gc option, you can also specify the level, and output file.

JVM parameters	Suggested value	Description
- XX:+HeapDumpOnOutOfMemoryError		Out of Memory errors generate a heap dump automatically.
-XX:HeapDumpPath	\$CATALINA_HOME/logs/heapdump.hprof	Location of the heap dump.
- XX:+PrintClassHistogram		Prints a heap histogram when the JVM receives a SIGTERM signal.

## Set maximum file descriptors and processes

AM is not file-descriptor intensive. However, each DS instance in your environment should have access to at least 65,536 file descriptors to handle multiple client connections.

Ensure that every DS instance is allocated enough file descriptors. For example, use the **ulimit -n** command to check the limits for a particular user:

```
$ su - opendj
$ ulimit -n
65536
```

It may also be necessary to increase the number of processes available to the user running the AM processes.

For example, use the **ulimit -u** command to check the process limits for a user:

```
$ su - openam
$ ulimit -u
2048
```

### IMPORTANT

Before increasing the file descriptors for the DS instance, ensure that the total amount of file descriptors configured for the operating system is higher than 65,536.

Otherwise, if the DS instance uses all the file descriptors, the operating system will run out of file descriptors. This may prevent other services from working, including those required for logging in the system.

Refer to your operating system's documentation for instructions on how to display and increase the file descriptors or process limits for the operating system and for a given user.

For more information about setting up your environment for DS, see [Operating systems](#) in the *DS Release Notes*.

## Prepare a web application container

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As a Java application, AM must be deployed in a Java container. For a list of supported containers, refer to [Application containers](#).

The following table summarizes the high-level tasks required to prepare your container:

Task	Resources
Prepare the container for AM  Follow the instructions for your container.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Apache Tomcat</a></li><li>• <a href="#">JBoss and WildFly</a></li><li>• <a href="#">IBM WebSphere Liberty</a></li></ul>
Secure the container  There are many ways to deploy and configure your environment for AM. ForgeRock recommends that you enforce HTTPS connections to AM.  If a Java Security Manager is enabled for your web application container, add permissions before installing AM.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Secure connections to the AM container</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Use stronger encryption algorithms</a></li></ul>

## Apache Tomcat

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AM examples often use Apache Tomcat (Tomcat) as the deployment container. In these examples, Tomcat is installed on `openam.example.com` and listens on the default ports without a Java Security Manager enabled.

### JVM startup

AM core services require a minimum JVM heap size of 1 GB, and a metadata space size of up to 256 MB. If you are evaluating AM and using the embedded DS, you require at

least a 2 GB heap, as 50% of that space is allocated to DS. See [Prepare the Java environment](#) for details.

Set a `CATALINA_OPTS` environment variable with the appropriate tuning for your environment. For example, add the following in the `$CATALINA_BASE/bin/setenv.sh` file:

```
export CATALINA_OPTS="$CATALINA_OPTS -server -Xmx2g -
XX:MetaspaceSize=256m -XX:MaxMetaspaceSize=256m"
```

Some versions of Microsoft Edge support the `Expires` header attribute instead of the `Max-Age` header attribute, which may cause SAML v2.0 and agent logout sequences to fail.

If you have set the `org.apache.catalina.STRICT_SERVLET_COMPLIANCE` Tomcat property to `true`, add the `org.apache.tomcat.util.http.ServerCookie.ALWAYS_ADD_EXPIRE` property in the `$CATALINA_BASE/bin/setenv.sh` file, to add the `Expires` attribute to the headers:

```
export CATALINA_OPTS="$CATALINA_OPTS -server -Xmx2g -
XX:MetaspaceSize=256m -XX:MaxMetaspaceSize=256m \
-
Dorg.apache.tomcat.util.http.ServerCookie.ALWAYS_ADD_EXPIRES=true"
```

## Slashes in resource names

Some AM resources have names that can contain slash characters (`/`), for example, in policy names, application names, and SAML v2.0 entities. These slash characters can cause unexpected behavior when running AM on Tomcat.

In development environments, a possible workaround is to configure Tomcat to allow encoded slash characters by adding the `org.apache.tomcat.util.buf.UDecoder.ALLOW_ENCODED_SLASH=true` property to the `CATALINA_OPTS` variable; for example:

```
export CATALINA_OPTS="$CATALINA_OPTS -server -Xmx2g -
XX:MetaspaceSize=256m -XX:MaxMetaspaceSize=256m \
-Dorg.apache.tomcat.util.buf.UDecoder.ALLOW_ENCODED_SLASH=true"
```

#### WARNING

Do *not* enable `org.apache.tomcat.util.buf.UDecoder.ALLOW_ENCODED_SLASH` when running AM in production as it introduces a security risk.

Learn more in [How do I safely enable the `org.apache.tomcat.util.buf.UDecoder.ALLOW\_ENCODED\_SLASH` setting in PingAM?](#).

## Cookie domains

Set the cookie domain name value to an empty string (for *host-only* cookies) or to any non-top level domain (for *domain* cookies).

For example, if you install AM on `openam.example.com`, you can set the cookie domain name to `example.com`.

#### NOTE

Because host-only cookies are more secure than domain cookies, you *should* use host-only cookies unless you have a good business case for using domain cookies.

Refer to [Install an instance](#) to configure the cookie domain during installation.

## Log request times

Tomcat provides components called valves that can be configured to track access to resources. The Access Log Valve outputs information about request activity to log files, for you to analyze or use when troubleshooting.

To record request times in the Access Log Valve log, configure the `pattern` attribute to include the following values:

- `%D` - Time taken to send an entire request, in millis. This is the total processing time and may be affected by network conditions.
- `%F` - Time taken to commit the response, in millis (*not available in Tomcat 7 or earlier*).

Example Valve element in `server.xml`:

```
<Valve className="org.apache.catalina.valves.AccessLogValve"
  directory="logs"
    prefix="localhost_access_log" suffix=".txt"
    pattern="%h %l %u %t \"%r\" %s %b %D %F" />
```

For information about the Access Log Valve configuration, refer to the documentation for [Tomcat 7.0](#), or [Tomcat 8.0](#), which includes the `%F` value.

## Encoding and security

ForgeRock recommends that you edit the Tomcat `<Connector>` configuration to set `URIEncoding="UTF-8"`. UTF-8 URI encoding ensures that URL-encoded characters in the paths of URIs are correctly decoded by the container. This is particularly useful if your applications use the AM REST APIs and some identifiers, such as user names, contain special characters.

You should also ensure the `sslProtocol` property is set to `TLS`, which disables the potentially vulnerable SSL v3.0 protocol.

`<Connector>` configuration elements are found in the configuration file, `/path/to/tomcat/conf/server.xml`. The following excerpt shows an example `<Connector>` with the `URIEncoding` and `sslProtocol` attributes set appropriately:

```
<Connector port="8443" protocol="HTTP/1.1" SSLEnabled="true"
  maxThreads="150" scheme="https" secure="true"
  clientAuth="false" sslProtocol="TLS" URIEncoding="UTF-8" />
```

When you have finished setting up Apache Tomcat, you *should* enforce HTTPS connections to AM. For details, refer to [Secure connections to the AM container](#).

## JBoss and WildFly

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You can deploy AM on JBoss AS, JBoss EAP, and WildFly. The procedures listed here provide steps for configuring JBoss AS, JBoss EAP, and WildFly for AM.

After configuring JBoss or WildFly, you then prepare AM for deployment by making a few changes to the contents of the AM `.war` archive.

### Prepare JBoss or WildFly

1. Stop JBoss or WildFly.
2. The default JVM settings do not allocate sufficient memory to AM. This step shows one method you can use to modify the JVM settings. For other methods, refer to the JBoss [Configuring JVM Settings](#) page, or the WildFly [JVM Settings](#) page.
  - Open the `standalone.conf` file in the `/path/to/jboss/bin` directory for JBoss or WildFly in standalone mode.
  - Check the JVM settings associated with `JAVA_OPTS`.

Change the JVM heap size to `-Xmx1g`. The default JVM heap size for some versions of JBoss might already exceed the recommended value. If you are

evaluating AM and using the embedded version of DS, the minimum heap size may be higher. For details on the JVM options to use, refer to [Prepare the Java environment](#).

Change the metaspace size to `-XX:MaxMetaspaceSize=256m` if the default size does not exceed this amount.

- Set the following JVM `JAVA_OPTS` setting in the same file:

```
-
Dorg.apache.tomcat.util.http.ServerCookie.ALWAYS_ADD_EXPIRES=true
```

Verify that the headers include the `Expires` attribute rather than only `Max-Age` as some versions of Microsoft Edge do not support `Max-Age`.

3. Edit the WildFly configuration to allow HTTP connections from any IP address.

In the `/path/to/wildfly/standalone/configuration/standalone.xml` file, locate the `<interface name="public">` interface (around line 512 of the file) and change the value to `<any-address/>`:

```
<interface name="public">
  <any-address/>
</interface>
```

4. Set up WildFly for Social Authentication, by performing the following steps:

- Ensure the WildFly server is running.
- Go to the WildFly Path.
- In the `$JBOSS_HOME/bin` directory, run the `jboss-cli.sh` script file:

```
$ ./bin/jboss-cli.sh
```

- Type "connect" to connect to the server.
- Enable use of the equals (`=`) symbol in cookies by running the following command:

For example:

```
[standalone@localhost:9990 /]
/subsystem=undertow/server=default-server/
http-listener=default:write-attribute(name=allow-equals-
in-cookie-value,
value=true)
{
```

```
"outcome" => "success",
"response-headers" => {
    "operation-requires-reload" => true,
    "process-state" => "reload-required"
}
}
```

- Restart WildFly.
5. Now deploy the `openam.war` file into the appropriate deployment directory. The directory varies depending on whether you are running in standalone or domain mode.

## Prepare AM for JBoss and WildFly

To prepare AM to run with JBoss or WildFly, you must change the default AM `war` file. JBoss and WildFly deploy applications from different temporary directories every time you restart the container, which would require reconfiguring AM. To avoid problems, change the AM `war` file as follows:

1. If you have not already done so, create a temporary directory and expand the `AM-7.2.2.war` file. For example:

```
$ cd /tmp
$ mkdir /tmp/openam && cd /tmp/openam
$ jar xvf ~/Downloads/AM-7.2.2.war
```

2. Locate the `bootstrap.properties` file in the `WEB-INF/classes` directory of the expanded `war` archive. Update the `# configuration.dir=` line in this file to specify a path with read and write permissions, then save the change.

```
# This property should also be used when the system user that
# is running the web/application server process does not have
# a home directory. i.e. System.getProperty("user.home")
returns
# null.

configuration.dir=/my/readwrite/config/dir
```

3. If you are deploying AM on JBoss AS or JBoss EAP, remove the `jboss-all.xml` file from the `WEB-INF` directory of the expanded `war` archive.

Do *not* remove this file if you are deploying AM on WildFly.

4. If you are deploying AM on WildFly 12, remove the `jul-to-slf4j-1.7.21.jar` file from the `WEB-INF/lib` directory of the expanded `war` archive.

5. Rebuild the `openam.war` file.

```
$ jar cvf ../openam.war *
```

## IBM WebSphere Liberty

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To deploy AM in IBM WebSphere Liberty, perform the following steps:

1. Update the JVM options as described in [Prepare the Java environment](#).
2. Customize the `AM-7.2.2.war` file as described in [Prepare AM for WebSphere](#).
3. After deploying AM, configure WebSphere as described in [Prepare WebSphere](#).

### Prepare AM for WebSphere

To prepare AM to run in WebSphere, change the `AM.war` file to ensure that the AM upgrade process is able to find the AM configuration files. You must make this change whenever you deploy a new `.war` file as part of an AM upgrade.

#### NOTE

If you are installing on Windows, use slashes ( / ) in the paths listed here, and not backslashes ( \ ).

1. Create a temporary directory and expand the `AM-7.2.2.war` file. For example:

```
$ cd /tmp
$ mkdir /tmp/openam && cd /tmp/openam
$ jar xvf ~/Downloads/AM-7.2.2.war
```

2. Locate the `bootstrap.properties` file in the `WEB-INF/classes` directory of the expanded war file.

Update the `# configuration.dir=` line in the `bootstrap.properties` file to specify a path with read and write permissions. For example:

```
# This property should also be used when the system user that  
# is running the web/application server process does not have  
# a home directory. i.e. System.getProperty("user.home")  
returns  
# null.
```

```
configuration.dir=/my/readwrite/config/dir
```

3. Rebuild the AM-7.2.2.war file:

```
$ jar cvf ../AM-7.2.2.war *
```

## Prepare WebSphere

In addition to preparing the AM WAR file, follow these steps to configure WebSphere for AM *after you deploy AM into WebSphere*:

1. Load classes from AM bundled libraries before loading classes from libraries delivered with Liberty:
  - In the WebSphere Liberty administration console, go to **Explore > Configure > server.xml**.
  - Select the `openam` web application, click **Add Child**, and select **ClassLoader** from the list.
  - In the **Delegation** field, select **parentLast**.
  - Save your work.
2. If your environment uses SOAP, add the SOAP-related properties to the JVM.

In the `AM-config-dir`, create a file named `jvm.options`, and add the following properties:

```
-  
Djavax.xml.soap.MessageFactory=com.sun.xml.internal.messaging.  
saaj.soap.ver1_1.SOAPMessageFactory1_1Impl  
-  
Djavax.xml.soap.SOAPFactory=com.sun.xml.internal.messaging.saa  
j.soap.ver1_1.SOAPFactory1_1Impl  
-  
Djavax.xml.soap.SOAPConnectionFactory=com.sun.xml.internal.mes  
saging.saaj.client.p2p.HttpSOAPConnectionFactory  
-  
Djavax.xml.soap.MetaFactory=com.sun.xml.internal.messaging.saa  
j.soap.SAAJMetaFactoryImpl  
-Dcom.ibm.websphere.webservices.DisableIBMJAXSEngine=true
```

## Secure connections to the AM container

There are many ways to deploy and configure your environment for AM, but we recommend that you enforce HTTPS connections to AM. For more information about securing AM, see [Security](#).

The container where AM runs requires a certificate to set up secure connections. You can install either CA-signed or self-signed certificates in the container where AM runs, although you should have in mind that you will need to configure your applications to trust your self-signed certificates.

The following is an example about how to configure Apache Tomcat for HTTPS:

## Configure Apache Tomcat for HTTPS

There are several ways of completing the tasks ahead, and it is beyond the scope of this document to explore them all. If this procedure does not suit your environment, refer to your CA vendor documentation, the **keytool** command documentation, or Java container documentation for more information.

1. Stop Apache Tomcat.
2. Ensure you have a keystore containing the appropriate certificates:
  - If you have CA certificates, import them in a new keystore using the **keytool** command. For example, if you have root, intermediate, and primary certificates, import them in the same keystore you used when generating your certificate signing request (CSR):

```
$ keytool -importcert -alias root -file myrootCA.cert \  
-keystore /path/to/tomcat_keystore.pfx -storetype PKCS12  
$ keytool -importcert -alias intermediate -file  
myintCA.cert \  
-keystore /path/to/tomcat_keystore.pfx -storetype PKCS12  
$ keytool -importcert -alias mysite.example.com -file  
mypriCA.cert \  
-keystore /path/to/tomcat_keystore.pfx -storetype PKCS12
```

- If you need a self-signed certificate, create a new self-signed key pair with the **keytool** command.

For example:

```
$ cd /path/to/tomcat/conf/  
$ keytool -genkey -alias openam.example.com -storetype  
PKCS12 -keyalg RSA -validity 730 \  
-keysize 2048 -keystore tomcat_keystore.pfx -dname  
'CN=openam.example.com' -ext 'san=dns:openam.example.com'
```

3. Create an SSL connector configuration in Apache Tomcat's `conf/server.xml` configuration file, and specify your keystore file, type, and password.

Note that there are different types of SSL connectors, and that implementation details may change across Tomcat versions. This example creates a JSSE connector in Tomcat as provided as part of the Java runtime:

```
<Connector port="8443"  
protocol="org.apache.coyote.http11.Http11NioProtocol"  
  maxThreads="200" SSLEnabled="true" scheme="https"  
secure="true"  
  keystoreFile="/path/to/tomcat_keystore.pfx"  
  keystoreType="PKCS12" keystorePass="keystore_password"  
  clientAuth="false" sslProtocol="TLS" />
```

You may need different settings depending on your configuration and version of Apache Tomcat. See the documentation for your version for more information.

4. Start Tomcat.
5. Verify that you can connect to Apache Tomcat on port 8443 over HTTPS.

If you used self-signed certificates, your browser would not trust the certificate, because the certificate is self-signed and not signed by any of the CAs stored in your browser.

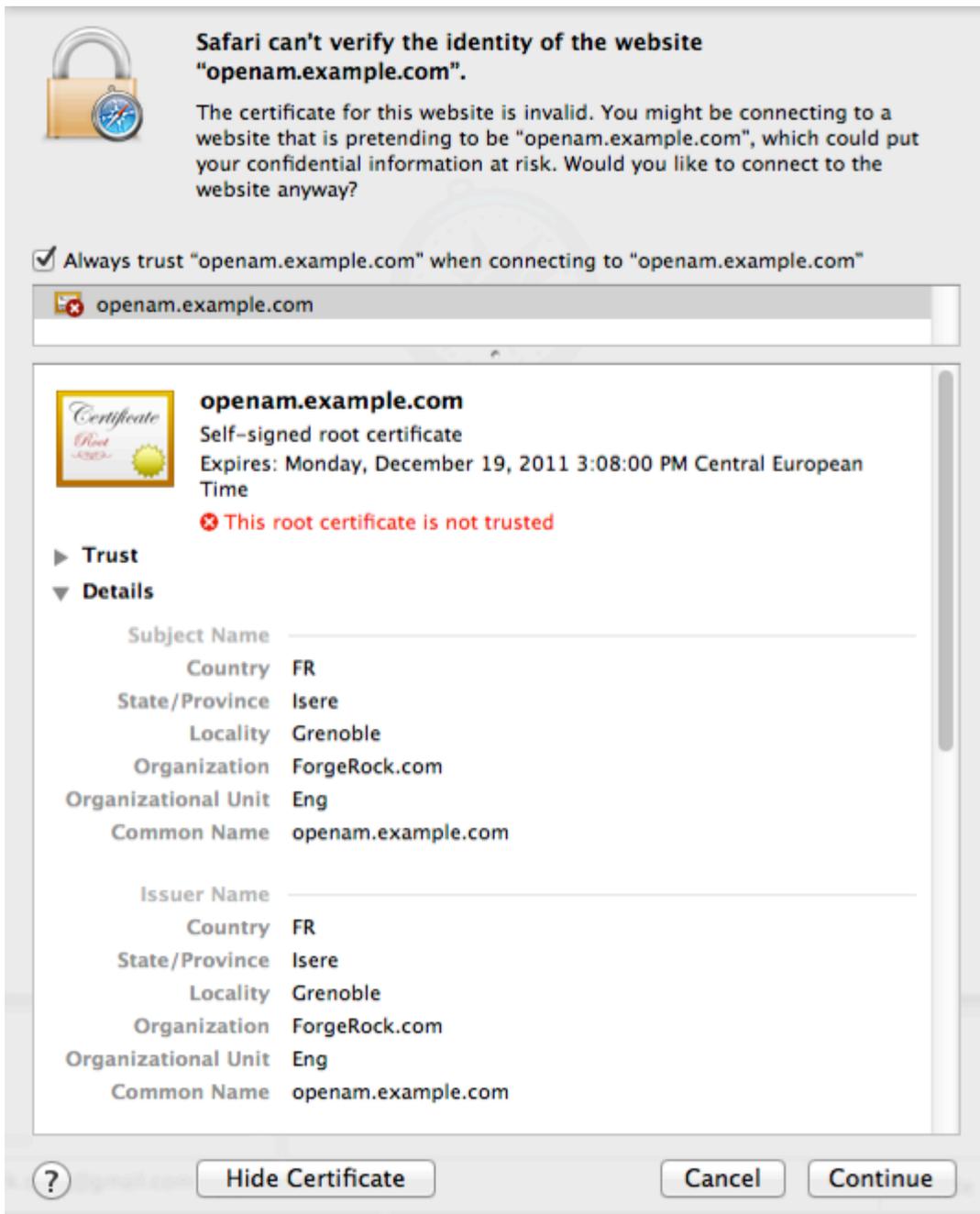


Figure 1. Unknown Certificate

If you recognize the subject and issuer of your certificate, and so can choose to trust the certificate, save it into your browser's trust store.

6. Deploy and configure AM.
7. To share the self-signed certificate in your container with other applications or servers, see Share self-signed certificates.

## Share self-signed certificates

How you configure the containers where AM and your applications run to use self-signed certificates depends on your web application server or web server software. The following basic principles apply:

- First, your container requires its own certificate for setting up secure connections.

- Second, the clients connecting must be able to trust the container's certificate. Generally, this means that clients recognize the container's certificate because they have a copy of the public certificate stored somewhere the client trusts.
- Third, if you use certificate authentication in AM, AM must also be able to find a copy of the client's public certificate to trust the client, most likely by finding a match with the certificate stored in the client profile from the identity repository. How you include client certificates in their identity repository entries depends on your identity repository more than it depends on AM.

Some client applications let you trust certificates blindly. This can be helpful when working in your lab or test environment with self-signed certificates. For example, you might want to use HTTPS with the AM RESTful API without having the client recognize the self-signed server certificate:

```
$ curl \
--request POST \
--header "Content-Type: application/json" \
--header "X-OpenAM-Username: demo" \
--header "X-OpenAM-Password: Ch4ng31t" \
--header "Accept-API-Version: resource=2.0, protocol=1.0" \
'https://openam.example.com:8443/openam/json/realms/root/realms/alpha/authenticate'
{
  curl: (60) Peer certificate cannot be authenticated with known
  CA certificates
}
```

The `curl` command performs SSL certificate verification by default, using a "bundle" of CA-signed public keys. If the default bundle file is not adequate, you can specify an alternate file using the `--cacert` option.

If this HTTPS server uses a certificate signed by a CA represented in the bundle, the certificate verification probably failed due to a problem with the certificate (it might be expired, or the name might not match the domain name in the URL). If you would like to turn off curl's verification of the certificate *for test purposes only*, use the `--insecure` option.

```
$ curl \
--request POST \
--insecure \
--header "Content-Type: application/json" \
--header "X-OpenAM-Username: demo" \
--header "X-OpenAM-Password: Ch4ng31t" \
--header "Accept-API-Version: resource=2.0, protocol=1.0" \
'https://openam.example.com:8443/openam/json/realms/root/realms/alpha/authenticate'
```

```
pha/authenticate'  
{  
  "tokenId": "rMLhJjWVo...MAA1MxAAA.*",  
  "successUrl": "/openam/console",  
  "realm": "/alpha"  
}
```

When you use a self-signed certificate for your container, clients connecting must be able to trust the container certificate. Your browser makes this an easy, but manual process. For other client applications, you must import the certificate into the truststore used by the client. By default, Java applications can use the `$JAVA_HOME/lib/security/cacerts` store. The default password is `changeit`.<sup>(1)</sup>

The following steps demonstrate how to import a self-signed certificate into the Java `cacerts` store:

1. Export the certificate from the keystore:

```
$ cd /path/to/tomcat/conf/  
$ keytool \  
-exportcert \  
-alias openam.example.com \  
-file openam.crt \  
-storetype JCEKS  
-keystore keystore.jceks  
Enter keystore password:  
Certificate stored in file <openam.crt>;
```

2. Import the certificate into the trust store:

```
$ keytool \  
-importcert \  
-alias openam.example.com \  
-file openam.crt  
-trustcacerts \  
-keystore $JAVA_HOME/lib/security/cacerts  
Enter keystore password:  
Owner: CN=openam.example.com, OU=Eng, O=ForgeRock.com,  
L=Grenoble, ST=Isere,  
C=FR  
Issuer: CN=openam.example.com, OU=Eng, O=ForgeRock.com,  
L=Grenoble, ST=Isere,  
C=FR  
Serial number: 4e789e40  
Valid from: Tue Sep 20 16:08:00 CEST 2011 until: Mon Dec 19
```

```
15:08:00 CET 2011
Certificate fingerprints:
MD5: 31:08:11:3B:15:75:87:C2:12:08:E9:66:00:81:61:8D
SHA1:
AA:90:2F:42:0A:F4:A9:A5:0C:90:A9:FC:69:FD:64:65:D9:78:BA:1D
Signature algorithm name: SHA1withRSA
Version: 3
Trust this certificate? [no]: yes
Certificate was added to keystore
```

(1) Alternatively, you can specify the trust store for a Java application, such as -  
`Djavax.net.ssl.trustStore=/path/to/truststore.jks` -  
`Djavax.net.ssl.trustStorePassword=changeit`.

## Use stronger encryption algorithms

AM encrypts and decrypts system passwords and the keys used in the configuration, and by components such as agents. The default encryption algorithm is Java Cryptography Extension (JCE) [PBEWithMD5AndDES](#).

If you need a more secure encryption algorithm, use the Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) Key Wrap algorithm ([RFC3394](#)). AM's implementation of AES Key Wrap uses the Password-Based Key Derivation Function 2 (PBKDF2) ([RFC2898](#)) with HMAC-SHA1. This lets you choose key size hash algorithms, such as SHA256, SHA384, or SHA512.

### IMPORTANT

The AES Key Wrap encryption algorithm is only enabled when installing AM. There is no current upgrade path for existing installations.

The Security Token Service (STS) does not support the AES Key Wrap encryption algorithm. Do not deploy the STS in an AM instance configured to use the AES Key Wrap encryption algorithm.

You must also Configure `ssoadm` for AES Key Wrap encryption.

## Configure AES Key Wrap encryption for Tomcat

1. Edit your container startup scripts, for example `setenv.sh`, to set the following JVM system properties in Tomcat:

```
JAVA_OPTS="$JAVA_OPTS -
Dcom.iplanet.security.encryptor=org.forgerock.openam.shared.se
curity.crypto.AESWrapEncryption"①
```

```
JAVA_OPTS="$JAVA_OPTS -  
Dorg.forgerock.openam.encryption.key.iterations=10000"②  
JAVA_OPTS="$JAVA_OPTS -  
Dorg.forgerock.openam.encryption.useextractandexpand=true"③  
JAVA_OPTS="$JAVA_OPTS -  
Dorg.forgerock.openam.encryption.key.size=256"④  
JAVA_OPTS="$JAVA_OPTS -  
Dorg.forgerock.openam.encryption.key.digest=SHA512"⑤  
JAVA_OPTS="$JAVA_OPTS -  
Dorg.forgerock.openam.encryption.padshortinputs"⑥
```

- ① Enables use of AES Key Wrap encryption.
- ② Specifies the iteration count of the encryption key. Large iteration counts, for example, of 20,000, slow down brute-force attacks when passwords are of low quality (less than 20 characters and easy to predict). AM does not have an iteration count requirement. However, it will log a warning if both of the following conditions are true:
  - The number of iterations is less than 10,000.
  - The AM encryption key is less than 20 characters long.
- ③ Enables the algorithm introduced in AM 7.1 that reduces the performance cost of AES Key Wrap encryption even when high iteration counts are used. If this property is unset, and you configured a large iteration count, AM startup times may see a performance impact if there are many agents in your deployment. Determine the optimal iteration count based on the security and performance requirements of your deployment.
- ④ Specifies the size of the encryption key. Configure the key size to meet the needs of your deployment.
- ⑤ Specifies the digest algorithm. Possible values are SHA1 , SHA256 , SHA384 , or SHA512 . Configure the digest algorithm to meet the needs of your deployment.
- ⑥ For systems running Java 17, this property pads short inputs (less than 8 bytes). If you are using Java 17 with AES Key Wrap Encryption, enable this system property and re-encrypt any short system passwords that have already been encrypted. If you do not do this, AM will be unable to decrypt the short values.

**CAUTION**

You cannot change these configuration parameters once AM has been installed.

## Configure ssoadm for AES Key Wrap encryption

After you enable AES key wrap encryption, update the `ssoadm` command for it to work with the new encryption settings.

Add the following properties to the `/path/to/ssoadm/setup` and `/path/to/ssoadm/bin/ssoadm` commands:

```
-  
Dcom.iplanet.security.encryptor=org.forgerock.openam.shared.security.crypto.AESWrapEncryption  
-Dorg.forgerock.openam.encryption.key.iterations=10000  
-Dorg.forgerock.openam.encryption.key.size=256  
-Dorg.forgerock.openam.encryption.key.digest=SHA512
```

## Deploy AM

After you have downloaded AM software, deploy it to your installed application container.

Deploying AM only extracts the files into the application container, prior to installation and configuration. Deploying AM also makes LDIF files available, which can be used to prepare external data stores for use with AM.

### IMPORTANT

After deploying AM, but before installation, your application container serves AM's installer (or upgrader, if performing an upgrade) user interfaces.

We recommend that any external network access to the application container is suspended until the install, or upgrade, is complete. When complete, AM prevents access to the installer, or upgrader UI itself.

The `AM-7.2.2.war` file contains the AM server. How you deploy the `.war` file depends on your web application container.

1. Deploy the `.war` file on your container.

For example, copy the file to deploy on Apache Tomcat.

```
$ cp AM-7.2.2.war /path/to/tomcat/webapps/openam.war
```

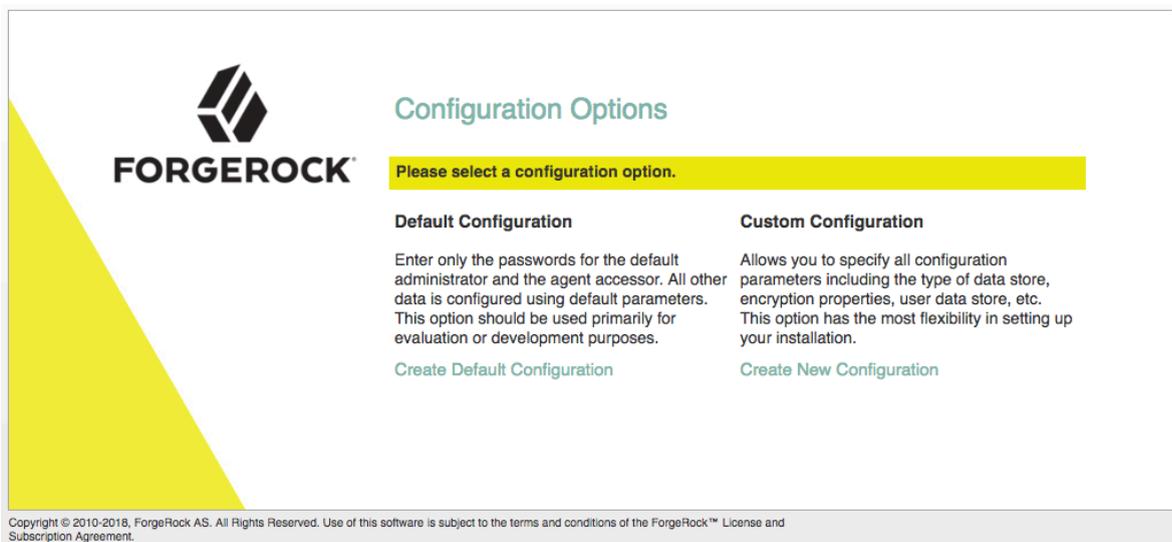
In development or demonstration deployments, change the WAR file name to `openam.war` when deploying in Tomcat, so that the deployment URI is `/openam`.

## IMPORTANT

- Change the file name to something other than `openam.war` when deploying so that the deployment URI is not `/openam`. In a production environment, your deployment URI should not disclose the kind of software it is hosting.
- AM requires a deployment URI with a non-empty string after `/`. Do not deploy AM in the root context. Do not rename the `.war` file to `ROOT.war` before deploying on Tomcat, for example.

It can take several seconds for AM to be deployed in your container.

2. Go to the initial configuration screen. For example, `https://openam.example.com:8443/openam`.



AM is now ready for installation.

3. Proceed to configuring external data stores using the files created during deployment. See [Prepare external stores](#).

## Prepare external stores

You need at least one DS server to store AM data. AM has several distinct data types; for example, configuration data, information about identities, client applications, policies, sessions, and so on.

Apart from identity data, AM stores all data after the installation process in its *configuration store*. This keeps basic deployments simple.

For advanced and high-load deployments, you can configure different sets of replicated DS servers to keep distinct data types separate and to tune DS for different requirements.

AM supports following DS data stores:

Store name	Type of data	Required during installation?
Configuration store	Stores the properties and settings used by the AM instance.	Yes
Identity or user store	Stores identity profiles; that is, information about the users, devices, or things that authenticate to your systems. You can also configure AM to access existing directory servers to obtain identity profiles.	No, but you can configure one during the installation process  In production deployments, you <i>must</i> configure an external identity store, or configure AM to access an existing identity store.
Policy store	Stores policy-related data, such as policies, policy sets, and resource types.	No
Application store	Stores application-related data, such as web and Java agent configurations, federation entities and configuration, and OAuth 2.0 client definitions.	No
CTS token store	Stores information about sessions, SAML v2.0 assertions, OAuth 2.0 tokens, and session denylists and allowlists.	No
UMA store	Stores information about UMA resources, labels, audit messages, and pending requests.	No

The following table lists the supported directory servers for storing different data types:

#### *Supported Data Stores*

Directory server	Version s	Configu ration	Apps / policies	CTS	Identiti es	UMA

Directory server	Version s	Configu ration	Apps / policies	CTS	Identiti es	UMA
Embedded ForgeRock Directory Services <sup>(1)</sup>	7.2.1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
External ForgeRock Directory Services	6 and later	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
File system-based	N/A	✓				
Oracle Unified Directory	11g R2				✓	
Oracle Directory Server Enterprise Edition	11g				✓	
Microsoft Active Directory	2016, 2019				✓	
IBM Tivoli Directory Server	6.4				✓	

<sup>(1)</sup> Demo and test environments only.

The procedure for preparing external directory servers for AM to use is similar for each data type and includes the following steps:

1. If you don't have an existing directory server, install the external directory server software; for example, Directory Services.
2. As the directory administrator, you may need to perform the following steps:
  - a. Apply the relevant schema to the directory.
  - b. Create indexes to optimize data retrieval from the directory server.
  - c. Create a user account with the minimum required privileges for AM to bind to the directory server and access necessary data.

To prepare the external stores AM needs during installation, refer to the following pages:



### **Prepare a truststore**

Trust external stores' certificates for LDAPS.

### **Prepare configuration stores**

Install DS as an AM configuration store.



### **Prepare identity repositories**

Install DS as an AM identity repository.

#### ▼ [Where do I find more information about the other external stores?](#)

You can configure all data stores except the configuration store after you install AM:

- [Prepare policy and application stores](#)
- [Core Token Service \(CTS\)](#)
- [Prepare external UMA data stores](#)

## Prepare the truststore

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Directory Services requires secure connections, using LDAPS. To connect to a DS server securely, AM needs access to DS's CA certificate. AM also needs access to CA certificates for making secure connections to other sites; for example, connections to social providers using HTTPS.

To give AM access to these certificates, you create a *truststore* that contains the certificates, and configure AM's web application container to use that truststore when starting up.

AM uses a single truststore for LDAPS and outbound HTTPS connections. This truststore *must* contain the CA certificates of the sites with which AM communicates securely.

By default, Apache Tomcat loads the truststore configured for its JVM (for example, `$JAVA_HOME/JRE/lib/security/cacerts`). The default JVM truststore contains multiple CA certificates. Its password, by default, is `changeit`.

As a best practice, create a *new* truststore with the certificates required for your AM deployment, then configure your container to use it. Don't add the DS CA certificate to

the JVM's truststore because JVM updates are likely to overwrite the `cacerts` file.

To keep all existing CA certificates, you can copy the `cacerts` keystore file, change its password to a secure one, and import the DS CA certificate into it. Then, configure your web application container (for example, Apache Tomcat) to load that file as its truststore.

#### CAUTION

Using a separate truststore for AM means that updates to the JVM truststore in patch releases aren't taken into account. This can cause operational issues, for example, when distrusted root CA certificates are removed, or when new root CA certificates are added.

To mitigate this risk, update the AM truststore periodically to reflect the latest JVM truststore settings.

#### ▼ [What if I am evaluating AM using an embedded DS?](#)

If you are [installing AM for evaluation purposes](#), AM creates a copy of your JDK's default `lib/security/cacerts` truststore, names it `truststore`, and places it in `/path/to/openam/security/kestores/`.

AM then attempts to add the DS self-signed certificate to that store, with an alias of `ds-ca-cert`.

#### IMPORTANT

If the `lib/security/cacerts` truststore does not have the default password of `changeit`, and/or if it does not have at least `644` permissions, then AM installation will fail, as it will not be able to open the truststore to add the DS certificate.

## Create a truststore for AM

These steps create a copy of the default JVM truststore, and configure the AM web application container to use the new truststore:

1. Copy the default truststore; for example, `$JAVA_HOME/lib/security/cacerts`, name it `truststore`, and place it in a directory of your choice:

```
$ cp $JAVA_HOME/lib/security/cacerts /path/to/truststore
```

**CAUTION**

If you place the truststore in the `/path/to/openam` directory *before* you install AM, the installation process detects that the directory is not empty and the installation fails.

After AM is installed, you can move the truststore to a different directory. For example, the `/path/to/openam/security/keystores` directory.

2. For improved security, change the default password for the truststore.

**TIP**

The default password of the `$JAVA_HOME/lib/security/cacerts` truststore is `changeit`.

Use the `keytool -storepasswd` option to change the default password:

```
$ keytool -storepasswd -keystore /path/to/truststore
Enter keystore password: changeit
New keystore password: new-password
Re-enter new keystore password: new-password
```

3. Export the DS certificate.

- On the DS host, export the DS CA certificate.

DS uses a deployment ID and password to generate a CA key pair. Learn more in [Deployment IDs](#).

Use the `dskeymgr` command to export the CA certificate:

```
$ /path/to/opensj/bin/dskeymgr \
export-ca-cert \
--deploymentId $DEPLOYMENT_ID \
--deploymentIdPassword password \
--outputFile /path/to/ca-cert.pem
```

- Copy the `ca-cert.pem` file to an accessible location on the AM host.

4. Import the DS CA certificate into the new truststore:

```
$ keytool \
-importcert \
-file /path/to/ca-cert.pem \
-keystore /path/to/truststore
```

5. To configure the truststore in Apache Tomcat so that AM can access it, append the truststore settings to the `CATALINA_OPTS` variable in the `setenv` file.

For example:

Linux	Windows
<p>In <code>\$CATALINA_BASE/bin/setenv.sh</code>:</p> <pre data-bbox="284 338 1378 607">export CATALINA_OPTS="\$CATALINA_OPTS -server -Xmx2g - XX:MetaspaceSize=256m -XX:MaxMetaspaceSize=256m \ -Djavax.net.ssl.trustStore=/path/to/truststore \ -Djavax.net.ssl.trustStorePassword=new-password \ -Djavax.net.ssl.trustStoreType=jks"</pre>	

Refer to your specific container's documentation for information on configuring truststores.

After AM is installed, you can move the truststore to a different location. For example, the `/path/to/openam/security/keystores/`. If you do, remember to update the truststore path in the container configuration.

## Prepare a configuration store

This page explains how to prepare a single DS server as an external configuration data store. Make sure DS replicas use the same configuration.

Installing DS with a [setup profile](#) creates the required backend, schema, bind user, and indexes:

1. Follow the steps in [Install DS for AM configuration](#) in the Directory Services documentation.
2. [Install AM](#) to use the prepared DS directory server as an external configuration store.

The default bind DN of the service account to connect to the external configuration store is:

```
uid=am-config,ou=admins,ou=am-config
```

3. Share the configuration store certificate with the AM container to prepare for TLS/LDAPS.

Communication with the configuration store *must* use a secure connection.

- On the DS host, export the DS CA certificate.

DS uses a deployment ID and password to generate a CA key pair. Learn more in [Deployment IDs](#).

Use the `dskeymgr` command to export the CA certificate:

```
$ /path/to/openssh/bin/dskeymgr \  
export-ca-cert \  
--deploymentId $DEPLOYMENT_ID \  
--deploymentIdPassword password \  
--outputFile /path/to/ca-cert.pem
```

- Copy the `ca-cert.pem` file to an accessible location on the AM host.
- Import the DS certificate into the AM truststore:

```
$ keytool \  
-importcert \  
-file /path/to/ca-cert.pem \  
-keystore /path/to/openam/security/keystores/truststore
```

Learn more about configuring AM's truststore in [Prepare the truststore](#).

4. When the certificate is in place, continue installing AM.

#### NOTE

After setting up the external configuration store, you can enhance security by configuring mTLS authentication to that store and rotating the mTLS certificates periodically. Learn more in [mTLS for configuration stores](#).

## Prepare identity repositories

AM accesses user identity data from one or more identity repositories.

In most deployments, AM connects to existing LDAP directory servers for user identity data, because it shares data in an identity repository with other applications.

#### NOTE

You should not configure more than one writable identity repository in a single realm. AM tries to perform write operations on each identity repository configured in a realm, and there is no way to configure which repository is written to.

To manage identities and reconcile differences between multiple identity repositories, use [ForgeRock Identity Management](#).

To prepare external identity repositories, refer to the following sections:

- If you're installing a new Directory Services instance for identity data, read [Install and configure Directory Services for identity data](#).
- If you're connecting AM to an existing identity repository, read [Configure existing directory servers for identity data](#).

## Install and configure Directory Services for identity data

This section shows how to install and set up a new DS server for identity data. Make sure DS replicas use the same configuration.

Installing DS with a [setup\\_profile](#) creates the required backend, schema, bind user, and indexes.

### IMPORTANT

The bind account for the identity store is fetched when AM starts up. If you change the account (DN or password) while AM is running, you must restart AM for the change to be taken into account. Otherwise, you'll encounter bind failures with persistent searches.

1. Follow the steps in [Install DS for AM identities](#) in the Directory Services documentation.
2. Share the identity store certificate with the AM container to prepare for TLS/LDAPS. Communication with the identity store *must* use a secure connection.
  - On the DS host, export the DS CA certificate.

DS uses a deployment ID and password to generate a CA key pair. Learn more in [Deployment IDs](#).

Use the `dskeymgr` command to export the CA certificate:

```
$ /path/to/openssl/bin/dskeymgr \  
export-ca-cert \  
--deploymentId $DEPLOYMENT_ID \  
--deploymentIdPassword password \  
--outputFile /path/to/ca-cert.pem
```

- Copy the `ca-cert.pem` file to an accessible location on the AM host.
- Import the DS certificate into the AM truststore:

```
$ keytool \  
-importcert \  
-file /path/to/ca-cert.pem \  
-keystore /path/to/openam/security/kestores/truststore
```

Learn more about configuring AM's truststore, in [Prepare the truststore](#).

3. If you did not install DS using a setup profile, perform the following steps to update the permissions in an external Directory Services identity repository.

If you are using a directory server other than Directory Services, apply the relevant LDIF files using the appropriate tools.

- Edit the `opendj_userinit.ldif` LDIF file in the `/path/to/openam/WEB-INF/template/ldif/opendj` directory, replacing all variables that are surrounded by `at (@)` symbols with a value specific to your directory server.

For example, in the `opendj_userinit.ldif` LDIF file you must replace all instances of `@userStoreRootSuffix@` with the root suffix you specified when configuring the external DS identity store, the default being `ou=identities`.

- Use the `ldapmodify` command to add the updated LDIF data to the external instance.

For example:

```
$ /path/to/opendj/bin/ldapmodify \  
--hostname 'id.example.com' \  
--port 1636 \  
--useSsl \  
--usePkcs12TrustStore /path/to/opendj/config/keystore \  
--trustStorePasswordFile \  
/path/to/opendj/config/keystore.pin \  
--continueOnError \  
--bindDN uid=admin \  
--bindPassword str0ngAdm1nPa55word \  
/path/to/tomcat/webapps/openam/WEB-  
INF/template/ldif/opendj/opendj_userinit.ldif
```

For more information on this LDIF file, and equivalent files for supported directory servers, refer to [Set up directory schemas with LDIF](#).

- If you intend to use web authentication, or perform device profiling with the ForgeRock SDK, you might need to update the directory server schema. For a ForgeRock Directory Services repository, you can update the schema by applying the following LDIF files:
  - `/path/to/openam/WEB-INF/template/ldif/opendj/opendj_webauthndevices.ldif`
  - `/path/to/openam/WEB-INF/template/ldif/opendj/opendj_deviceprofiles.ldif`

For example:

```
$ /path/to/openssl/bin/openssl \
--hostname 'id.example.com' \
--port 1636 \
--useSsl \
--usePkcs12TrustStore /path/to/openssl/config/keystore \
--trustStorePasswordFile \
/path/to/openssl/config/keystore.pin \
--continueOnError \
--bindDN uid=admin \
--bindPassword str0ngAdm1nPa55word \
/path/to/tomcat/webapps/openam/WEB-
INF/template/ldif/openssl/openssl_webauthndevices.ldif \
/path/to/tomcat/webapps/openam/WEB-
INF/template/ldif/openssl/openssl_deviceprofiles.ldif
```

For more information on these LDIF files, refer to [Set up directory schemas with LDIF](#). For directory servers other than ForgeRock Directory Services, adapt the `openssl_*.ldif` files accordingly.

#### 4. Proceed to [configure the identity store](#) in AM.

The bind DN of the service account to use when configuring the identity store in AM is `uid=am-identity-bind-account,ou=admins,ou=identities`.

## Configure existing directory servers for identity data

It is common for AM to access identity data from an existing directory server. AM requires a user account to connect to the directory server, and AM LDAP schema to update entries with AM-related identity data.

For the list of supported external directory servers, refer to [Directory servers](#).

The following sections show you how to prepare an existing identity repository for use in AM:

- Create a directory server user for AM connections
- Update the schema in an external identity repository

### *Create a directory server user for AM connections*

AM connects to an external directory server with a service account that you specify in the AM identity repository configuration. This service account is known as the *AM bind account*.

Specifying the directory administrator as the AM bind account is not recommended for production deployments as it would give AM directory administrator privileges to the

identity repository.

Instead, create a separate AM bind account with fewer access privileges than the directory administrator so that you can assign the appropriate level of privileges for the AM bind account.

You need to consider two areas of permission for the AM bind account:

### ***Schema Update Privileges***

AM needs to update the directory schema when you configure a new identity repository and when you upgrade AM software. If the AM bind account has schema update privileges, AM can update the schema dynamically during identity repository configuration and during AM upgrades. If the AM bind account does not have schema update privileges, you must update the schema manually before configuring a new identity repository and before upgrading AM.

### ***Directory Read and Write Access Privileges***

If you want AM to create, update, and delete user entries, then the AM bind account must have full read and write access to the identity data in the directory. If you are using an external identity repository as a read-only user directory, then the AM bind account needs read privileges only.

The level of access privileges you give the AM bind account is specific to each AM deployment. Work with your directory server administrator to determine the appropriate level of privileges as part of the process of preparing your external identity repositories.

### ***Create a bind account in Active Directory for AM connections***

The following procedure gives an example of creating a bind account in Active Directory:

Perform these steps to create a user that AM can use to connect to Active Directory. These steps are one example, consult with your Active Directory administrator on how best to create an account.

1. Create a new user account in the Active Directory domain. For example, in Windows 2019:
  - In the **Active Directory Users and Computers** tool, right-click **Users** in the domain, and select **New > User**.
  - Provide descriptive values for the new user, and a logon name such as **AM-Bind-Account** .
  - Click **Next**.
  - Enter a strong password for the bind account, disable the *User must change password at next logon* option, and click **Next**.
  - Review the details of the new account, and click **Finish**.

2. Give the new bind account access to the directory data:

- In the **Active Directory Users and Computers** tool, right-click the domain that contains your users, and select **Delegate Control**.
- Add the bind account you created in the previous step, and click **Next**.
- Select the tasks you want to allow the AM bind account to perform from the list.

For example, to allow read and write access to users, enable the `Create, delete, and manage inetOrgPerson accounts` task.

- After assigning the tasks you want to allow the AM bind account to perform, click **Finish**.

You can now set up the necessary schema in the directory server.

The bind account to use when configuring the identity store in AM is the full DN of the user, for example `uid=AM-Bind-Account,ou=Users,dc=example,dc=org`.

### *Update the schema in an external identity repository*

AM can add the necessary LDAP schema definitions itself, if it has sufficient privileges to do so, or you can apply the LDAP schema definition LDIF files manually if required. Refer to the following procedures:

- Prepare an external identity repository with manual schema updates
- Prepare an external identity repository with automatic schema updates

#### *Prepare an external identity repository with manual schema updates*

If the AM bind account does not have permission to update schema then you must configure existing external data stores by using manual schema updates. To do this, you must update the directory server schema of the external identity repository manually at the following times:

- Before you configure the identity repository as part of initial AM configuration.
- Before you configure an identity repository after initial AM configuration.
- Whenever you upgrade AM.

A number of LDIF files are provided in the AM `.war` file for supported identity directory servers. The path is `/path/to/openam/WEB-INF/template/ldif/directory-type`, where *directory-type* is one of the following:

- `ad` for Microsoft Active Directory
- `adam` for Microsoft Active Directory Lightweight Directory Services
- `odsee` for Oracle Directory Server Enterprise Edition

- `opendj` for ForgeRock Directory Services and Oracle Unified Directory
- `tivoli` for IBM Tivoli Directory Server

For more information on the LDIF files, refer to [Set up directory schemas with LDIF](#).

The following steps update the schema in an Active Directory identity repository. For other directory servers, apply the relevant LDIF files using the appropriate tools.

1. Edit the LDIF files in the `/path/to/openam/WEB-INF/template/ldif/ad` directory, replacing any variables that are surrounded by `at (@)` symbols with a value specific to your directory server.

For the Active Directory LDIF files you must replace all instances of `@userStoreRootSuffix@` with the root suffix used by your Active Directory identity store, for example `DC=example,DC=org`.

2. Using an Active Directory administrator account, add the required AM schema extensions to your external identity repository.

For example, in PowerShell, run the `ldifde` command to import the user, device print, and dashboard schema extensions:

```
PS C:\Users\Administrator> cd \path\to\openam\WEB-
INF\template\ldif\ad
PS C:\path\to\openam\WEB-INF\template\ldif\ad> ldifde -i -f
.\ad_user_schema.ldif
Connecting to "domain.example.org"
Logging in as current user using SSPI
Importing directory from file ".\ad_user_schema.ldif"
Loading
entries.....
.....
64 entries modified successfully.

The command has completed successfully

PS C:\path\to\openam\WEB-INF\template\ldif\ad> ldifde -i -f
.\ad_deviceprint.ldif
Connecting to "domain.example.org"
Logging in as current user using SSPI
Importing directory from file ".\ad_deviceprint.ldif"
Loading
entries.....
.....
6 entries modified successfully.

The command has completed successfully
```

```
PS C:\path\to\openam\WEB-INF\template\ldif\ad> ldifde -i -f
.\ad_dashboard.ldif
Connecting to "domain.example.org"
Logging in as current user using SSPI
Importing directory from file ".\ad_dashboard.ldif"
Loading
entries.....
.....
6 entries modified successfully.

The command has completed successfully
```

3. If you intend to use push or web authentication, apply the following LDIF files:
  - /path/to/openam/WEB-INF/template/ldif/ad/ad\_pushdevices.ldif
  - /path/to/openam/WEB-INF/template/ldif/ad/ad\_webauthndevices.ldif

For more information on these LDIF files, and the equivalent files for supported directory servers, refer to [Set up directory schemas with LDIF](#).

4. Proceed to [configure the identity store](#) in AM.

**IMPORTANT**

If you updated the schema to make use of web authentication, when configuring the external identity store in a realm, on the User Configuration tab, ensure `webauthnDeviceProfilesContainer` is in the LDAP User Object Class property. If not, add the value, and then save your changes.

### *Prepare an external identity repository with automatic schema updates*

If the bind account has permission to update schema then you can allow AM to update the schema automatically.

To allow AM to update the schema, you must first configure AM to be able to access the directory server, and enable the **Load Schema** option, by performing the following steps:

1. Configure the directory server in AM by following the instructions in [Configure an identity store](#).

**IMPORTANT**

Enable the **Load Schema** option before saving your changes, and AM will apply the necessary schema to the directory server.

The schema is loaded as part of configuring the identity store in AM. No further configuration is required.

2. Verify that the new identity repository is correctly configured in AM. Refer to [Test external identity repository access](#).

## Set up directory schemas with LDIF

AM installation deploys several LDIF files that can be used to create the schemas required by AM. LDIF files are available for Microsoft Active Directory, Microsoft Active Directory Lightweight Directory Services, Oracle Directory Server Enterprise Edition, ForgeRock Directory Services, Oracle Unified Directory, and IBM Tivoli Directory Server.

The following tables provide descriptions for each LDIF file:

### *Microsoft Active Directory LDIF Files*

LDIF File	Description
ad_config_schema.ldif	Obsolete. Active Directory is not supported as a configuration store.
ad_dashboard.ldif	LDIF to support the dashboard service.
ad_deviceprint.ldif	LDIF to support the device print service.
ad_kba.ldif	LDIF to support the User Self-Service's knowledge-based questions and answers service.
ad_oathdevices.ldif	LDIF to support registered devices for the OATH authentication service.
ad_pushdevices.ldif	LDIF to support registered devices for the PUSH notification service.
ad_user_schema.ldif	LDIF for the user schema.
ad_webauthndevices.ldif	LDIF to support registered devices for the Web Authentication (WebAuthn) authentication service.

### *Microsoft Active Directory Lightweight Directory Services LDIF Files*

LDIF file	Description
adam_dashboard.ldif	LDIF to support the dashboard service.
adam_deviceprint.ldif	LDIF to support the device print service.

LDIF file	Description
adam_kba.ldif	LDIF to support the User Self-Service's knowledge-based questions and answers.
adam_oathdevices.ldif	LDIF to support registered devices for the OATH authentication service.
adam_pushdevices.ldif	LDIF to support registered devices for the PUSH notification service.
adam_user_schema.ldif	LDIF for the user schema.
adam_webauthndevices.ldif	LDIF to support registered devices for the Web Authentication (WebAuthn) authentication service.

#### *Oracle Directory Server Enterprise Edition LDIF Files*

LDIF file	Description
amsdk_plugin	Folder containing the AM SDK LDIF files: amsdk_init_template.ldif and amsdk_sunone_schema2.ldif.
odsee_config_index.ldif	LDIF for the ODSEE configuration indexes.
odsee_config_schema.ldif	LDIF for the ODSEE configuration schema.
odsee_dashboard.ldif	LDIF to support the dashboard service.
odsee_deviceprint.ldif	LDIF to support the device print service.
odsee_kba.ldif	LDIF to support the User Self-Service's knowledge-based questions and answers.
odsee_oathdevices.ldif	LDIF to support registered devices for the OATH authentication service.
odsee_pushdevices.ldif	LDIF to support registered devices for the PUSH notification service.
odsee_user_index.ldif	LDIF for the user repository indexes.
odsee_user_schema.ldif	LDIF for the user repository schema.

LDIF file	Description
odsee_userinit.ldif	LDIF for the setting up user session initialization.
odsee_webauthndevices.ldif	LDIF to support registered devices for the Web Authentication (WebAuthn) authentication service.

### DS LDIF Files

LDIF file	Description
oath_2fa.ldif	LDIF for the OATH two-factor authentication service.
opendj_aci_lift_user_password_restriction.ldif	LDIF to add an ACI entry to the root suffix to allow users to modify the user password attribute.
opendj_aci_remove_blanket_deny_all.ldif	LDIF to lift any user password restrictions for upgrade.
opendj_add_kba_attempts.ldif	LDIF to upgrade a user data store from a version earlier than AM 6 to support account lockout when the user fails to answer their security questions a number of times.
opendj_config_schema.ldif	LDIF for the DS configuration schema.
opendj_dashboard.ldif	LDIF to support the dashboard service.
opendj_deviceprint.ldif	LDIF to support the device print service.
opendj_deviceprofiles.ldif	LDIF to support storage of device information, collected by the SDK device authentication nodes.  Apply this LDIF if you intend to use the <a href="#">ForgeRock SDK</a> for device profiling.
opendj_embinit.ldif	LDIF for the DS user management and SMS/configuration datastore schema for evaluation (embedded DS) deployments.
opendj_kba.ldif	LDIF to support the User Self-Service's knowledge-based questions and answers.

LDIF file	Description
opendj_oathdevices.ldif	LDIF to support registered devices for the OATH authentication service.
opendj_pushdevices.ldif	LDIF to support registered devices for the PUSH notification service.
opendj_remove_config_schema.ldif	LDIF to remove the configuration schema.
opendj_remove_user_schema.ldif	LDIF to remove the user schema.
opendj_retry_limit_node_count.ldif	<p>LDIF to upgrade the identity store to support persisting failed login attempts to the user's profile when using the <a href="#">Retry Limit Decision node</a>.</p> <p>There are no equivalent files for other supported directory servers. Adapt the contents of the <code>opendj_retry_limit_node_count.ldif</code> file to work with your directory server.</p>
opendj_uma_audit.ldif	LDIF to add auditing capabilities for the UMA service.
opendj_uma_labels_schema.ldif	LDIF to add a schema for the UMA service labels.
opendj_uma_pending_requests.ldif	LDIF to add pending requests for the UMA service.
opendj_uma_resource_set_labels.ldif	LDIF to support labels for UMA resources.
opendj_uma_resource_sets.ldif	LDIF to support UMA resources.
opendj_update_aci_kba_attempts.ldif	LDIF to upgrade a user data store from a version earlier than AM 6 to support account lockout when the user fails to answer their security questions a number of times.
opendj_user_index.ldif	LDIF for the user repository indexes.
opendj_user_schema.ldif	LDIF for the user repository schema.

LDIF file	Description
opendj_userinit.ldif	LDIF for the setting up user session initialization.
opendj_webauthndevices.ldif	LDIF to support registered devices for the Web Authentication (WebAuthn) authentication service.
push_2fa.ldif	LDIF for the push two-factor authentication service. Not required if you installed DS 7.1 or later by using the <code>am-identity-store</code> setup profile.

### *Tivoli LDIF Files*

LDIF file	Description
tivoli_dashboard.ldif	LDIF to support the dashboard service.
tivoli_deviceprint.ldif	LDIF to support the device print service.
tivoli_kba.ldif	LDIF to support the User Self-Service's knowledge-based questions and answers.
tivoli_oathdevices.ldif	LDIF to support registered devices for the OATH authentication service.
tivoli_pushdevices.ldif	LDIF to support registered devices for the PUSH notification service.
tivoli_user_schema.ldif	LDIF for the user repository schema.
tivoli_webauthndevices.ldif	LDIF to support registered devices for the Web Authentication (WebAuthn) authentication service.

## Install AM

Production or production-like environments require an external configuration store and an external CTS token store, both of which are DS servers. The configuration store will act as the CTS token store until you configure an external one.

For more information, see [Prepare external stores](#).

▼ [Install multiple instances for high availability](#)

Install multiple instances to maintain service availability. If one instance is down for any reason, another instance can respond instead. This means that you need some type of component, such as a load balancer or a proxy server, between incoming traffic and AM to route around instances that are down.

AM uses a *site* for this purpose. In an AM site, multiple AM instances are configured in the same way, and accessed through a load balancer layer.

The load balancer can be implemented in hardware or software, but it is separate and independent from AM. When installed properly, a site configuration improves service availability, as the load balancer routes around AM instances that are down, sending traffic to other servers in the site.

For high-level deployment information, see [Deployment planning](#).

The following table provides information to help you install AM instances:

Task or requirement	Resources
Configure a single instance on a production or pre-production environment.  This can be the first instance of a site deployment.	<a href="#">Install an instance</a>
Configure a site and add a instance to an AM site	<a href="#">Configure sites and add servers</a>
Configure an instance silently	<a href="#">Install silently</a>

**TIP**

If at any point you need to scrap the AM configuration to start again, see [Delete and redeploy AM](#).

## Install an instance

You can customize several AM parameters during installation, such as the cookie domain and the settings of the configuration store.

- Installing the first instance creates the required configuration that the site will share.

You can specify the site configuration when you install the first instance or configure the site when the first instance is running.

- By default, the cookie domain is set to the full URL of the first instance; for example, `server.west.example.com`.

You can change the cookie domain when you're installing the first instance or later.

- You can use a load balancer layer to protect AM services. The load balancer can restrict access to AM services, throttle traffic, offload HTTPS encryption, and so forth.

As an alternative, or in addition, you can use a separate reverse proxy.

- When you are protecting AM with a load balancer or proxy service, configure your container so that AM can trust the load balancer or proxy service.
- The container for each instance in the site must trust any certificate authorities (CA) used to sign certificates used by other instances in the site in order to communicate using SSL.
- Successful authentication can depend on information about the authenticating user, such as the IP address where the request originated. When AM is accessed through a load balancer or proxy layer, pass this information along using request headers. Also, configure AM to consume and to forward the headers as necessary. Learn more in [Handle HTTP request headers](#).

Follow these steps to install a single AM instance, or to install the first instance on a site.

1. Go to your deployment URL. For example, `https://openam.example.com:8443/openam`.
2. On the initial configuration screen, click **Create New Configuration** under **Custom Configuration**.
3. Read the license agreement. Agree to the license agreement and click **Continue**.
4. On the **Default User Password** page, provide a password with at least eight characters for the AM Administrator, `amAdmin`.
5. Verify that the server settings are valid for your configuration.

#### **Server URL**

Provide a valid URL to the base of your AM web container, including an FQDN.

In a test or QA environment, you can simulate the FQDN by adding it to your `/etc/hosts` as an alias. The following example shows lines from the `/etc/hosts` file on a Linux system where AM is installed:

```
127.0.0.1 localhost.localdomain localhost
::1 localhost6.localdomain6 localhost6
127.0.1.1 openam openam.example.com
```

#### **Cookie Domain**

The domain for which created cookies will be valid; for example `example.com`.

### ***Platform Locale***

Supported locales include en\_US (English), de (German), es (Spanish), fr (French), ja (Japanese), ko (Korean), zh\_CN (Simplified Chinese), and zh\_TW (Traditional Chinese).

### ***Configuration Directory***

Location on server for AM configuration files. AM must be able to write to this directory.

6. In the **Configuration Data Store** screen, you make choices related to AM configuration data.

### ***Configuration Data Store***

- **Embedded DS**

The configurator process spins an embedded DS instance to store AM configuration data, the default users, and the CTS store. Use on **demo or test environments only**.

Instances using the embedded DS server cannot be added to a site.

If you choose the embedded DS, you can leave the rest of the values by default.

- **External DS**

The configurator process stores AM configuration data in an existing DS server. You must have prepared the server as explained in [Prepare a configuration store](#).

Choose this option if you intend to add this instance to an existing deployment.

An external DS instance is **required** in non-evaluation deployments.

If you choose the external DS, you must configure the rest of the fields.

### ***SSL/TLS Enabled***

Whether AM must use LDAPS to communicate with the configuration store.

For security reasons, the configuration store should communicate with AM using LDAPS.

DS 7 is configured for LDAPS by default. If you are using this version, enable this option and share the DS certificate with the container where AM is running before continuing. Learn more in [Secure Directory Server communication](#).

If you are using a different version, you can configure DS and AM to use LDAPS after the installation.

### ***Host Name***

The FQDN of the external DS.

### ***Port***

The LDAP or LDAPS port of the external DS. The default values are:

- LDAP: 1389
- LDAPS: 1636

### ***Encryption Key***

A randomly-generated key that AM uses for different purposes. All the servers in the site must have the same encryption key.

The installer creates a random key automatically; you can leave the value by default.

### ***Root Suffix***

The root suffix of the external DS store.

The default base DN of an external DS store when you configure it with the `am_config` profile is `ou=am-config`.

### ***Login ID***

The bind DN that AM should use to connect to the external DS store.

The default bind DN of an external DS store when you configure it with the `am_config` profile is `uid=am-config,ou=admins,ou=am-config`.

You should not use `cn=admin` as the bind account.

### ***Password***

The password of the bind DN.

### ***Server configuration***

Note that this option only appears when you specify an external configuration store.

- New deployment

Specifies that the installation is a new deployment, with its own configuration and identity stores.

If you choose this option, the next step is to configure the identity store.

- Additional server for existing deployment

Specifies that the installation is an additional server for an existing deployment and will use the existing configuration and identity stores.

If you choose this option, you don't need to configure the identity store. The installation uses the same stores as those of the existing deployment.

Learn more in [Add a server to a site](#).

7. If you specified **New deployment** in the previous step, the User Store screen appears as the next step. Use the page to configure where AM looks for user identities.

AM must have write access to the directory service you choose, as it adds to the directory schema needed to allow AM to manage access for users in the user store.

#### ***User Data Store Type***

If you have already provisioned a directory service with users in a supported user data store, then select that type of directory from the options available.

#### ***SSL/TLS Enabled***

To use a secure connection, check this box, then make sure the port you define corresponds to the port the directory server listens to for StartTLS or SSL connections. When using this option, you also need to make sure the trust store used by the JVM running AM has the necessary certificates installed.

#### ***Directory Name***

FQDN for the host housing the directory service.

#### ***Port***

LDAP directory port. The default for LDAP and LDAP with StartTLS to protect the connection is port 389. The default for LDAP over SSL is port 636. Your directory service might use a different port.

#### ***Root Suffix***

Base distinguished name (DN) where user data is stored.

#### ***Login ID***

Directory administrator user DN. The administrator must be able to update the schema and user data.

#### ***Password***

Password for the directory administrator user.

8. In the **Site Configuration** screen, you can set up AM as part of a site where the load is balanced across multiple AM servers.

When you deploy multiple servers, AM automatically enables session high availability.<sup>(1)</sup> AM stores session data in a directory service that is shared by multiple AM servers. The shared storage means that if an AM server fails, other AM servers in the deployment have access to the user's session data and can serve requests about that user. As a result, the user does not have to log in again.

It is possible to set up a site after initial installation and configuration. Learn more in [Deployment configuration](#).

9. Check the summary screen, and if necessary, click **Previous** to return to earlier screens to fix any configuration errors as needed.

After you click **Create Configuration** in the summary screen, configuration proceeds, logging progress that you can read in your browser, and later, in the installation log. The process ends, and AM shows the **Proceed to Login** prompt.

10. When the configuration completes, click **Proceed to Login**, and log in as the AM administrator, `amAdmin`.

After logging in, AM redirects you to the **Realms** page.

You can also access the AM admin UI by going to the console URL; for example `https://openam.example.com:8443/openam/console`.

11. Restrict permissions to the configuration directory (by default, `$HOME/openam`, where `$HOME` corresponds to the user who runs the web container). Prevent other users from accessing files in the configuration directory.
12. The AM install wizard uses three libraries that should be removed after installation for security reasons.

When your installation is complete, remove the following `.jar` files from the `WEB-INF/lib` directory:

- `click-extras-2.3.0.jar`
- `click-nodeps-2.3.0.jar`
- `velocity-1.7.jar`

These files are used *only* by the install and upgrade wizards. Removing them will have no effect on your installed instance.

You must also remove the references to `click-servlet` from the deployment descriptor file. Edit `/path/to/openam/WEB-INF/web.xml` to remove the following mappings:

```
<servlet>
  <servlet-name>click-servlet</servlet-name>
  <servlet-class>org.apache.click.ClickServlet</servlet-
class>
</servlet>

...

<servlet-mapping>
  <servlet-name>click-servlet</servlet-name>
  <url-pattern>*.htm</url-pattern>
</servlet-mapping>
```

13. Review the suggested [next steps](#) after installing AM.

<sup>(1)</sup> You can configure AM to store sessions in the [Core Token Service \(CTS\) token store](#) or on the client. Because [client-side](#) sessions reside in HTTP cookies, they do not need to be retrieved from a persistent data store. In the event of a server failure, they can be retrieved from the cookies. AM does not store client-side sessions in the CTS token store. You can find details about sessions in [Introduction to sessions](#).

## Configure sites and add servers

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Configuring a site is a three-step process:

1. Install the first server in the site. This will create the configuration that the site will share.

Learn more in [Install an instance](#).

2. Add the first server to a site, if you did not already while installing it.

Learn more in [Configure a site with the first server](#).

3. Add more servers to the site.

Learn more in [Add a server to a site](#).

## Configure a site with the first server

The following steps show how to set up a site when AM is running:

1. Review AM's load balancing requirements in [Load balancing](#).
2. In the AM admin UI, go to **Deployment > Sites**.
3. Click **Add a Site** to start configuring the new site.
4. On the **New Site** page, enter the site name without any spaces. For example, the site name must be in the format `ExampleSite`, rather than `Example Site`.

Set the **Primary URL** to the load balancer URL that is the entry point for the site, such as `https://lb.example.com/openam`.

The site URL is the URL to the load balancer in front of the AM servers in the site. For example, if your load balancer listens for HTTPS on host `lb.example.com` and port `443` with AM under `/openam`, then your site URL is `https://lb.example.com/openam`.

Client applications and web or Java agents access the servers in the site through the site URL.

5. Click **Save** to keep the site configuration.

6. Configure the cookie domain of your site as required. Learn more in [Change the cookie domain](#).
7. Go to **Deployment > Servers > Server Name > General**.
8. Set the **Parent Site** drop-down menu to the name of the site you just created, and save your changes.

At this point, the first server is part of the new site you have configured.

For all additional servers in the AM site, add them to the site at configuration time as described in [Add a server to a site](#).

## Add a server to a site

High availability requires redundant servers in case of failure. With AM, you configure an AM site with multiple servers in a pool behind a load balancing service that exposes a single URL as an entry point to the site.

Follow these steps to configure a server to an existing site:

1. Go to the deployment URL of the new instance. You should see the AM configurator page.
2. In the initial configuration screen, under **Custom Configuration**, click **Create New Configuration**.
3. In the first screen, enter the same password you entered for the AM administrator, `amAdmin`, when you configured the first server in the site.
4. Configure server settings as required.

The cookie domain should be identical to that of the first server in the site.

### NOTE

The installer may show that the Configuration Directory is not empty; it is a warning in case you are trying to use a directory that contains data not pertaining to AM.

5. In the configuration store screen, ensure that you select the *External DS* option, and configure the same DS instance that is already working as the configuration store for the rest of the instances in the site, including the same encryption key.

Ensure that you also select the **Additional server for existing deployment** option.

Instances using the embedded DS cannot be part of a site.

6. In the site configuration screen, select **Yes**, and enter the same **Site Name** and **Load Balancer URL** values as the existing servers in the site.

### NOTE

Spaces are not allowed in the site name.

Settings for agent information are also shared with the existing server, so the corresponding wizard screen is skipped.

7. In the summary screen, verify the settings you chose, and click **Create Configuration**.
8. When the configuration process finishes, **stop** the newly-installed AM instance or the container where it runs, and do not try to access it.
9. Compare the `/path/to/openam/config/boot.json` bootstrap file with that of a running instance. You must ensure that the newly installed instance's bootstrap file is appropriate for your environment.

▼ ***The boot.json file does not exist in the new instance***

Depending on the configuration of the AM keystore in the site, the installation process may not create the bootstrap file.

If so, copy the bootstrap file from another instance and continue with the procedure.

Unless your environment has a requirement to configure the AM keystore in a different location on each instance, it is likely that the bootstrap file should be the same across the site.

If you are overriding the start up settings:

- Ensure you have copied the customized bootstrap file from another instance in the site.
  - Ensure you are overwriting the existing bootstrap file with your modified file prior to every AM restart.
10. Make the existing AM keystore infrastructure available to the new instance:
    - Back up the new instance's default keystore and password files in the following locations:
      - `/path/to/openam/security/kestores/`
      - `/path/to/openam/security/secrets/default/`
    - Ensure that the existing keystores in the site are available in the same location to the new instance. This may mean copying the keystores and their password files, mounting a volume, or others.
    - Ensure that the keystore files configured in the `/path/to/openam/config/boot.json` file are available to the instance.
  11. Make the existing secret store infrastructure in the site available to the new instance:

- In the AM admin UI of an existing instance in the site, go to **Configure > Secret Stores**.
- Review the list of secret stores configured globally and provide the relevant stores to the new instance. For example:
  - For keystore-type secret stores, copy the keystores to the same path on the new instance.
  - For filesystem-type secret stores, copy the contents of the directories to the same path or make the filesystem available on the same mount point on the new instance.
  - For HSM-type stores, ensure the new instance can access it.
  - For secrets configured as environment variables accessible by the container where AM runs, ensure they are also accessible by the container of the new instance.
- Go to **Realms > Realm Name > Secret Stores**.
- Review the list of secret stores configured per realm and make sure to provide the relevant stores to the new instance.

12. Restart the new instance.

The instance is now configured for the site.

13. Review AM's load balancing requirements in [Load balancing](#).

14. Ensure that the cookie domain configuration is appropriate for your site. Learn more in [Change the cookie domain](#).

## Install silently

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AM provides configuration and upgrade tools for installing and maintaining your server. The `AM-SSOConfiguratorTools-5.1.3.27.zip` file contains libraries, legal notices, and supported binaries for these configuration tools. It also contains example configuration and upgrade properties files you can use as templates in your deployment.

When the AM server is deployed and running *but not yet configured*, you can use the configurator tool, `openam-configurator-tool-14.1.3.27.jar`, to install AM silently.

Perform the following tasks to install AM silently:

1. Install the configuration tool. See [Set up the configuration tools](#).
2. Use the configuration tool to install AM using a property file. See [Install AM silently](#).

## Set up the configuration tools

1. Verify that the `JAVA_HOME` environment variable is properly set:

```
$ echo $JAVA_HOME
/path/to/jdk
```

2. Create a file system directory to unpack the tools:

```
$ mkdir -p /path/to/openam-tools/config
```

3. Unpack the tools from where you unzipped AM:

```
$ cd /path/to/openam-tools/config
$ unzip ~/Downloads/openam/AM-SSOConfiguratorTools-5.1.3.27.zip
Archive:  ~/Downloads/openam/AM-SSOConfiguratorTools-5.1.3.27.zip
creating: legal-notice/
inflating: legal-notice/LICENSE.DOM-software.html
inflating: legal-notice/NOTICE.resolver.txt
inflating: legal-notice/LICENSE.DOM-documentation.html
... (more output) ...
extracting: lib/xml-apis-2.11.0.jar
extracting: openam-configurator-tool-14.1.3.27.jar
extracting: lib/servlet-api-2.5.jar
```

## Install AM silently

1. Verify that the `JAVA_HOME` environment variable is properly set:

```
$ echo $JAVA_HOME
/path/to/jdk
```

2. The configurator tool needs a property file to specify the AM configuration. For property file options, see [configurator.jar](#).

Copy the sample configuration property file provided with AM, and modify properties as needed:

```
$ cd /path/to/openam-tools/config
$ cp sampleconfiguration config.properties
$ grep -v "^#" config.properties | grep -v "^$"
SERVER_URL=https://openam.example.com:8443
DEPLOYMENT_URI=/openam
BASE_DIR=/home/openam/
```

```
locale=en_US
PLATFORM_LOCALE=en_US
AM_ENC_KEY=
ADMIN_PWD=password
COOKIE_DOMAIN=example.com
ACCEPT_LICENSES=true
DATA_STORE=dirServer
DIRECTORY_SSL=SIMPLE
DIRECTORY_SERVER=config.example.com
DIRECTORY_PORT=50389
DIRECTORY_ADMIN_PORT=4444
DIRECTORY_JMX_PORT=1689
ROOT_SUFFIX=dc=openam,dc=forgerock,dc=org
DS_DIRMGRDN=uid=admin
DS_DIRMGRPASSWD=password
```

When setting options in the property file, note the following:

- If you include the `ACCEPT_LICENSES=true` property, AM automatically accepts the software license agreement and suppresses the display of the license acceptance screen during silent installation.
- When installing AM to support HTTPS, make sure the `SERVER_URL` property specifies a URL with HTTPS.

3. Run the AM configurator tool, `openam-configurator-tool-14.1.3.27.jar` :

```
$ java -jar openam-configurator-tool-14.1.3.27.jar --file  
config.properties
```

You can specify additional runtime options on the command line:

- With the `--acceptLicense` option, the installer auto-accepts the software licensing agreement and suppresses the display of the license acceptance screen, resulting in the same behavior as specifying `ACCEPT_LICENSES=true` in the configuration property file.
- The `-Djavax.net.ssl.trustStore=PATH_TO_JKS_TRUSTSTORE` option is required when installing AM to support HTTPS. Specify the AM web container's trust store for `PATH_TO_JKS_TRUSTSTORE`.

The installer displays output similar to the following:

```
$ java -jar openam-configurator-tool-14.1.3.27.jar --file  
config.properties  
Checking license acceptance...License terms accepted.  
Checking configuration directory /home/openam....Success.  
Installing OpenAM configuration store...Success
```

```
RSA/ECB/OAEPWithSHA1AndMGF1...
Extracting OpenDJ, please wait...Complete
Running OpenDJ setupSetup command: --cli --adminConnectorPort
4444
--baseDN dc=openam,dc=forgerock,dc=org --rootUserDN uid=admin
--ldapPort 50389 --skipPortCheck --rootUserPassword xxxxxxx --
jmxPort 1689
--no-prompt --doNotStart --hostname openam.example.com ...
...Success
Installing OpenAM configuration store in /home/openam/... ..
Success.
Creating OpenAM suffixImport+task+ ... ..Success
Tag swapping schema files...Success.
Loading Schema opendj_config_schema.ldif...Success.

...

...Success.
Reinitializing system properties...Done
Registering service dashboardService.xml...Success.

...

Configuring system...Done
Configuring server instance...Done
Creating demo user...Done
Creating Web Service Security Agents...Done
Setting up monitoring authentication file.
Configuration complete!
```

## Delete and redeploy AM

If you need to delete your configuration and start the process from the beginning, follow these steps:

1. Stop the AM web application to clear the configuration held in memory.

The following example shuts down Apache Tomcat:

```
$ /path/to/tomcat/bin/shutdown.sh
Password:
Using CATALINA_BASE:   /path/to/tomcat
Using CATALINA_HOME:   /path/to/tomcat
```

```
Using CATALINA_TMPDIR: /path/to/tomcat/temp
Using JRE_HOME:        /path/to/jdk/jre
Using CLASSPATH:
/path/to/tomcat/bin/bootstrap.jar:/path/to/tomcat/bin/tomcat-
juli.jar
```

2. Delete the AM configuration files, by default under the `$HOME` of the user running the web application container:

```
$ rm -rf $HOME/openam $HOME/.openamcfg
```

3. When installing or reinstalling a standalone AM instance, you must ensure the configuration store used does not contain previous configuration data.

You should either install a new, clean instance of DS, or delete the entries under the configured AM suffix (by default `ou=am-config`) of an existing instance.

Note that when adding a server to an existing deployment, you must not delete the configuration from DS, as it is shared by all servers in the deployment. See [Add a server to a site](#).

4. Delete any cached files from the container.

For example, on Tomcat, files are cached in a folder named after the deployment path, such as `/path/to/tomcat/work/Catalina/localhost/deployment_path`. Use a command such as the following to delete these cached files:

```
$ rm -rf /path/to/tomcat/work/Catalina/localhost/openam
```

5. Restart the AM web application.

The following example starts the Tomcat container:

```
$ /path/to/tomcat/bin/startup.sh
Password:
Using CATALINA_BASE:   /path/to/tomcat
Using CATALINA_HOME:   /path/to/tomcat
Using CATALINA_TMPDIR: /path/to/tomcat/temp
Using JRE_HOME:        /path/to/jdk/jre
Using CLASSPATH:
/path/to/tomcat/bin/bootstrap.jar:/path/to/tomcat/bin/tomcat-
juli.jar
```

## Start AM

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AM is a web application installed in a web container, such as Apache Tomcat. Starting the web container starts the AM application.

At the beginning of its startup process, AM performs an operation called *bootstrapping*, during which AM obtains startup settings from a bootstrap file in its configuration directory, then uses those settings to initiate its operation. AM creates the bootstrap file, `boot.json`, during installation.

#### ▼ [How is the bootstrap file created?](#)

The installation or upgrade process creates the file after configuring the instance, provided it can find the AM keystore and its password files in either of the following locations:

- **Configure > Server Defaults > Security > Key Store**
- **Deployment > Servers > *Server Name* > Security > Key Store**

ForgeRock recommends changing the AM default keystore configuration at Server Default level, so that the environment is homogeneous.

#### ▼ [When is the bootstrap file updated?](#)

After every successful startup, AM rewrites the bootstrap file using the current information for the AM keystore.

If you change the configuration of the AM keystore, for example, the path to its files, AM will save the changes to the bootstrap file the next time it starts successfully.

This is why, if you want to override AM's startup settings, you need to replace the bootstrap file manually before AM starts.

## Override startup settings

Users who deploy AM with DevOps tooling, such as Docker and Kubernetes, might want to launch multiple AM instances from a single image, providing startup settings dynamically when AM starts up instead of reading the settings from the bootstrap file created during AM installation.

You can replace the bootstrap file and provide your own static and dynamic startup settings. The following sections describe how to override the bootstrap file created during AM installation:

- [Replace the bootstrap File](#) covers how to specify a custom bootstrap file, and describes all the startup settings in the bootstrap file.
- [Override startup settings using environment variables](#) covers how to dynamically override startup settings in the bootstrap file with environment variables.
- [Override startup settings using Java properties](#) covers how to dynamically override startup settings in the bootstrap file with Java properties.

## Replace the bootstrap File

AM's bootstrap file is located at the path `/path/to/openam/config/boot.json`, where `/path/to/openam` is the AM configuration directory.

### ▼ [How is the AM configuration directory specified?](#)

You specify it during AM installation, as follows:

- In the **Configuration Directory** field on the **Server Settings** page when using GUI installation. See [Install an instance](#) for details.
- In the `BASE_DIR` property in the installation configuration file when using command-line installation. See [configurator.jar](#) for more information.

To override AM's startup configuration, modify the bootstrap file, `boot.json`, and then overwrite the existing bootstrap file with your modified file *prior to every AM restart*.

You must overwrite the file each time you start AM because after startup, AM overwrites the bootstrap file with the initial startup settings created during AM installation, removing any modifications you might have made to startup settings in the bootstrap file.

Make changes to supporting files and passwords before changing bootstrap file properties—AM will fail to start up when bootstrap file properties do not correspond to actual configuration. For example, if you change the value of the `keyStorePasswordFile` property to a file that does not exist, AM will not be able to start up.

### ▼ [Bootstrap file example, with properties](#)

```
{
  "instance": "https://openam.example.com:8443/openam",
  "dsameUser": "cn=dsameuser,ou=DSAME
Users,dc=openam,dc=forgerock,dc=org",
  "keystores": {
    "default": {
      "keyStorePasswordFile": "{amSecretsBase}/default/.storepass",
      "keyPasswordFile": "{amSecretsBase}/default/.keypass",
      "keyStoreType": "JCEKS",
      "keyStoreFile": "{amKeystoreBase}/keystore.jceks"
    }
  },
  "configStoreList": [
    {
      "baseDN": "ou=am-config",
      "dirManagerDN": "uid=am-config,ou=admins,ou=am-config",
```

```

    "ldapHost": "opendj.example.com",
    "ldapPort": 1636,
    "ldapProtocol": "ldap"
  }
]
}

```

### Startup settings in the bootstrap file

Property	Description and Derivation
instance	<p>AM server URL.</p> <p>Defaults to the Server URL field on the Server Settings page (GUI configurator) or the SERVER_URL configuration property (command-line configurator).</p> <p>This property's value is the URL for directly accessing an AM instance, <i>not</i> an AM site using a load balancer URL.</p> <p>Do not modify this bootstrap file property. If you need to change the AM instance URL, reinstall AM.</p>
dsameUser	<p>Special AM user.</p> <p>The first part of the user's DN is always created initially as <code>cn=dsameuser,ou=DSAME Users</code>. The second part of the DN defaults to the Root Suffix field on the Configuration Data Store Settings page (GUI configurator) or the ROOT_SUFFIX configuration property (command-line configurator).</p>
keystores.default	<p>The AM keystore. Currently, no other keystores are referenced in the bootstrap file.</p>

Property	Description and Derivation
<code>keystores.default.keyStorePasswordFile</code>	<p>Path to the file that contains the password required to open the AM keystore. Always created initially as <code>/path/to/openam/security/secrets/default/.storepass</code>.</p> <p>When creating a new <code>.storepass</code> file, ensure that there are no hidden trailing characters after the password. For example, use the <code>echo -n</code> command to add the password to the new file.</p>
<code>keystores.default.keyPasswordFile</code>	<p>Path to the file that contains the password used to encrypt individual keystore entries. Always created initially as <code>/path/to/openam/security/secrets/default/.keypass</code>.</p> <p>When creating a new <code>.keypass</code> file, ensure that there are no hidden trailing characters after the password. For example, use the <code>echo -n</code> command to add the password to the new file.</p>
<code>keystores.default.keyStoreType</code>	<p>AM key store type. Currently, the only valid value is <code>JCEKS</code>.</p>
<code>keystores.default.keyStoreFile</code>	<p>Path to the AM keystore. Always created initially as <code>/path/to/openam/security/keystores/keystore.jceks</code>.</p> <p>The AM keystore is required for startup because it contains the password of the directory manager user of the AM configuration store.</p>
<code>configStoreList[*]</code>	<p>Array of one or more objects that describe AM configuration stores. The initial object in the array is mandatory and defines the primary configuration store. Additional objects are optional and define failover configuration stores.</p>

Property	Description and Derivation
configStoreList[*].baseDN	<p>Root suffix of the AM configuration store.</p> <p>Defaults to the Root Suffix field on the Configuration Data Store Settings page (GUI configurator) or the <code>ROOT_SUFFIX</code> configuration property (command-line configurator).</p>
configStoreList[*].dirManagerDN	<p>DN of the configuration store directory manager user.</p> <p>Defaults to <code>uid=admin</code> (GUI configurator) or the <code>DS_DIRMGRDN</code> configuration property (command-line configurator).</p>
configStoreList[*].ldapHost	<p>fully qualified domain name (FQDN) of the configuration store's host.</p> <p>Defaults to the Host Name field on the Configuration Data Store Settings page (GUI configurator) or the <code>DIRECTORY_SERVER</code> configuration property (command-line configurator).</p>
configStoreList[*].ldapPort	<p>LDAP or LDAPS port number on which to access the configuration store.</p> <p>Defaults to the Port field on the Configuration Data Store Settings page (GUI configurator) or the <code>DIRECTORY_PORT</code> configuration property (command-line configurator).</p>
configStoreList[*].ldapProtocol	<p>Protocol with which to access the directory service running the configuration store. The value can be <code>ldap</code> or <code>ldaps</code>.</p> <p>Defaults to the SSL/TLS Enabled field on the Configuration Data Store Settings page (GUI configurator) or the <code>DIRECTORY_SSL</code> configuration property (command-line configurator).</p>

## *Override startup settings using environment variables*

You can dynamically override startup settings in the bootstrap file by defining environment variables in the shell that starts AM and referencing the variables in a modified version of the bootstrap file.

Specify JSON properties that reference environment variables in a modified bootstrap file that uses the notation `${env.MY_ENVIRONMENT_VARIABLE}`.

For example, you could dynamically change the AM instance URL as follows:

1. Set an environment variable named `MY_INSTANCE` in the shell that starts AM.
2. Create a modified version of the bootstrap file with the following line:

```
"instance" : "${env.MY_INSTANCE}",
```

3. Overwrite the initial bootstrap file with the modified bootstrap file.
4. Start AM.

## *Override startup settings using Java properties*

You can dynamically override startup settings in the bootstrap file by referencing Java system properties in a modified version of the bootstrap file. You can reference both built-in Java system properties and properties specified with the `-D` option in the web container that runs AM.

Specify JSON properties that reference Java properties in a modified bootstrap file that uses the notation `${MY_JAVA_PROPERTY}`.

For example, you could dynamically change the AM keystore's path to the user's home directory as follows:

1. Create a modified version of the bootstrap file, specifying the default AM keystore as follows:

```
"keystores" : {  
  "default" : {  
    "keyStorePasswordFile" :  
"/Users/mark.craig/.storepass",  
    "keyPasswordFile" : "/Users/mark.craig/.keypass",  
    "keyStoreType" : "JCEKS",  
    "keyStoreFile" : "/Users/mark.craig/keystore.jceks"  
  }  
},
```

2. Overwrite the initial bootstrap file with the modified bootstrap file.
3. Start AM.

## Set up administration tools

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AM provides a set of administration tools that are now deprecated in favor of Amster. They are part of the [AM distributable file](#).

The **ssoadm** tool requires access to the AM configuration files and therefore must be installed on the same host as AM.

1. Verify that AM is installed and running before proceeding.
2. Verify that the `JAVA_HOME` environment variable is set properly:

```
$ echo $JAVA_HOME
/path/to/jdk
```

3. Create a file system directory to unpack the tools:

```
$ mkdir -p /path/to/openam-tools/admin
```

4. Unpack the tools:

```
$ cd /path/to/openam-tools/admin
$ unzip ~/Downloads/openam/AM-SSOAdminTools-5.1.3.27.zip
```

5. If you use IBM Java, add `-D"amCryptoDescriptor.provider=IBMJCE"` and `-D"amKeyGenDescriptor.provider=IBMJCE"` options to the **setup** or **setup.bat** script before you install the tools.

The options should be set for the **java** command at the end of the script:

```
$ tail setup
CLASSPATH="$CLASSPATH:resources"

$JAVA_HOME/bin/java -D"load.config=yes" \
-D"help.print=$help_print" \
-D"path.AMConfig=$path_AMConfig" \
-D"path.debug=$path_debug" \
-D"path.log=$path_log" \
-D"amCryptoDescriptor.provider=IBMJCE" \
-D"amKeyGenDescriptor.provider=IBMJCE" \
```

```
-cp "$CLASSPATH" \  
com.sun.identity.tools.bundles.Main
```

6. Run the **setup** utility ( **setup.bat** on Windows) providing the location, password, and type of the truststore containing the public certificate of the DS configuration store.

Optionally, include the `--acceptLicense` option if you want to auto-accept the license agreement and suppress the license acceptance screen to the user.

#### ▼ [How do I create the truststore?](#)

Even though you may have other truststores containing the public certificate of the configuration store, ForgeRock recommends that you use a truststore specifically for the **ssoadm** command.

To create it, follow the steps in [Prepare the truststore](#), but *do not* configure the new truststore in the container. You will configure it in the **ssoadm** command script later.

If the container where AM runs is configured for secure connections and is using self-signed certificates, import that public certificate into the new truststore, too. For details, refer to [To Share Self-Signed Certificates](#).

#### NOTE

When using self-signed certificates (in non-production environments, for example), you can configure the **ssoadm** command to trust all server certificates. Learn more in [How do I configure ssoadm to trust all certificates?](#) in the *Knowledge Base*.

You will also need to provide the paths to the directories where AM configuration files are located, and where the **ssoadm** debug and log information will be located.

For example:

```
$ ./setup --truststore-path /my/ssoadm/truststore --  
truststore-password changeit \  
--truststore-type JKS --acceptLicense  
Path to config files of OpenAM server [/home/user/openam]:  
Debug Directory [/path/to/openam-tools/admin/debug]:  
Log Directory [/path/to/openam-tools/admin/log]:  
The scripts are properly setup under directory:  
/path/to/openam-tools/admin/openam  
Debug directory is /path/to/openam-tools/admin/debug.  
Log directory is /path/to/openam-tools/admin/log.  
The version of this tools.zip is: version and date
```

The version of your server instance is: ForgeRock Access Management version, Build, and date

**TIP**

If the **setup** utility cannot connect to the configuration store, it outputs a message similar to the following:

```
Connect Error: No operational connection factories available
```

If you receive this message, check that the truststore exists in the specified location, that it contains the configuration store certificate, and that the user running the **setup** utility can change directories to the specified location and open/read the file.

After setup, the tools are located under a directory named after the instance of AM:

```
$ ls openam/bin/  
ampassword  amverifyarchive  ssoadm
```

On Windows, these files are `.bat` scripts.

7. Edit the **ssoadm** script and configure the truststore containing the certificate of the configuration store. This truststore may also contain the certificate to connect to AM using SSL, if needed.

- In the script, look for the following lines:

```
....  
TRUSTSTORE="-Djavax.net.ssl.trustStore=$truststore_path"  
TRUSTSTORE="$TRUSTSTORE -  
Djavax.net.ssl.trustStorePassword=$truststore_password"  
TRUSTSTORE="$TRUSTSTORE -  
Djavax.net.ssl.trustStoreType=$truststore_type"  
....
```

- Add the `truststore_path`, `truststore_password`, and `truststore_type` variables above the lines you found:

```
truststore_path=/my/ssoadm/truststore  
truststore_password=changeit  
truststore_type=JKS  
  
TRUSTSTORE="-Djavax.net.ssl.trustStore=$truststore_path"  
TRUSTSTORE="$TRUSTSTORE -  
Djavax.net.ssl.trustStorePassword=$truststore_password"
```

```
TRUSTSTORE="$TRUSTSTORE -  
Djavax.net.ssl.trustStoreType=$truststore_type"  
....
```

8. If you use IBM Java, add `-D"amCryptoDescriptor.provider=IBMJCE"` and `-D"amKeyGenDescriptor.provider=IBMJCE"` options to the `ssoadm` or `ssoadm.bat` script before using the script.

The options should be set before the call to `com.sun.identity.cli.CommandManager` at the end of the script:

```
$ tail -3 /path/to/openam-tools/admin/openam/bin/ssoadm  
-D"amCryptoDescriptor.provider=IBMJCE" \  
-D"amKeyGenDescriptor.provider=IBMJCE" \  
com.sun.identity.cli.CommandManager "$@"
```

9. Check that the `ssoadm` command works properly:
- Create a text file, for example `$HOME/.pwd.txt`, containing the AM administrative user's password string in cleartext on a single line.
  - Make the text file read-only:

```
$ chmod 400 $HOME/.pwd.txt
```

- Run the `ssoadm` command to list the configured servers:

```
$ cd /path/to/openam-tools/admin/openam/bin/  
$ ./ssoadm list-servers --adminid  
uid=amAdmin,ou=People,dc=openam,dc=forgerock,dc=org --  
password-file $HOME/.pwd.txt  
https://openam.example.com:8443/openam
```

#### NOTE

The value for the `--adminid` parameter is the universal ID of an administrative user.

Administrative users are listed in the `com.sun.identity.authentication.super.user` or `com.sun.identity.authentication.special.users` advanced properties, under `Configure > Server Defaults > Advanced`.

The default super-user account is `uid=amAdmin,ou=People,%ROOT_SUFFIX%`. To check your `%ROOT_SUFFIX%` value, go to the `/path/to/openam/config/boot.json` file, and find the value for the `configStoreList/baseDN` property.

10. If you have deployed AM in a site configuration, edit the **ssoadm** (**ssoadm.bat** on Windows) script to map the site URL to the AM server URL.

To do this, set the `com.ipplanet.am.naming.map.site.to.server` system property as a **java** command option in the script. The option takes the following form:

```
-D"com.ipplanet.am.naming.map.site.to.server=lb-url=openam-url[,other-lb-url=openam-url...]"
```

The property maps each *lb-url* key to an *openam-url* value, where *lb-url* is the URL to a site load balancer, and *openam-url* is the URL to the AM server against which you set up the **ssoadm** command.

#### IMPORTANT

The **ssoadm** command is dependent on the AM server against which you set it up, so always map site load balancer URLs to that server's *openam-url*.

For example, if your site is behind `https://lb.example.com:443/openam`, and the AM server against which you set up the **ssoadm** command is at `https://openam.example.com:8443/openam`, then add the following property to the **java** command (all on one line without spaces):

```
-  
D"com.ipplanet.am.naming.map.site.to.server=https://lb.example.com:  
443/openam=https://openam.example.com:8443/openam"
```

Repeat this step for each AM server in your site configuration. You can install all your instances of **ssoadm** on the same host, but in each case the command should manage only one AM server.

## Next steps

Congratulations on installing AM!

The following list shows you different tasks you should consider after installing AM:

### **Core administrative tasks**

- Learn about realms, configure them, and connect them to identity stores.
- Configure AM's cookie domain.
- Learn about other types of configuration stores and decide if your environment would benefit from having dedicated application stores.  
For more information, see the [Setup](#).

### *Core Token Service tasks*

- Learn about the Core Token Service and decide if your environment would benefit from having dedicated CTS token stores.  
For more information, see the [Core Token Service \(CTS\)](#).

### *Access Management-related tasks*

- Learn about authentication trees and nodes and configure them to let your users log in to AM.
- Learn about sessions in AM and configure them for your environment.  
For more information, see the [Authentication and SSO](#).

### *Security-related tasks*

- Secure your core AM environment against different threats.
- Configure keys and keystores used for different AM features.
- Change the `amAdmin` user password.
- Learn about delegated privileges and configure delegated realm administrators.
- Configure audit logging services.  
For more information, see the [Security](#).

### *Maintenance-related tasks*

- Learn how to back up and restore your environment.
- Learn how to monitor your AM instances.
- Learn how to enable debug logging and how to record troubleshooting information.
- Tune AM.  
For more information, see the [Maintenance](#).

AM offers authentication and authorization functionality, which you can expand with Internet specifications and drafts, such as OAuth 2.0, and SAML v2.0.

Once you are confident about your base AM configuration, move on to more advanced features, such as protecting web applications, configuring single sign-on (SSO), federating access across applications, and others.

## Uninstall AM

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This topic describes how to remove AM software.

To remove a single server from a multi-server deployment, select **Deployment > Servers > Server Name** then click **⋮ and X Delete**.

You can find instructions on removing agents in the [Web Agents Installation Guide](#) and the [Java Agents Installation Guide](#).

After you have deployed and configured AM, you might have as many as four locations where AM files are stored on your system.

In a test deployment, the following steps remove the AM software and the internal configuration store. If you used an external configuration store, remove AM configuration data after removing all the software.

1. Shut down the web application container in which you deployed AM.

```
$ /etc/init.d/tomcat stop
Password:
Using CATALINA_BASE:   /path/to/tomcat
Using CATALINA_HOME:   /path/to/tomcat
Using CATALINA_TMPDIR: /path/to/tomcat/temp
Using JRE_HOME:        /path/to/jdk/jre
Using CLASSPATH:       /path/to/tomcat/bin/bootstrap.jar:
                        /path/to/tomcat/bin/tomcat-juli.jar
```

2. Unconfigure AM by removing the configuration files in the \$HOME directory of the user running the web application container.

For example:

```
$ rm -rf $HOME/openam $HOME/.openamcfg
```

To uninstall AM and its associated configuration files, delete the following directories:

- *The configuration directory.*

If you didn't use the default configuration location ( \$HOME/openam ), check the value of the Base installation directory property under **Deployment > Servers > Server Name > General > System**.

- *The hidden directory that holds a file pointing to the configuration directory.*

For example, if you are using Apache Tomcat as the web container, this file could be \$HOME/.openamcfg/AMConfig\_path\_to\_tomcat\_webapps\_openam\_.

3. Remove the configuration manually from your external directory server. The default base DN for AM configuration data is ou=am-config.

**NOTE**

At this point, you can restart the web container and reconfigure AM if you only want to start over with a clean configuration rather than removing AM completely.

#### 4. Undeploy the AM web application.

For example, if you are using Apache Tomcat as the web container, remove the `.war` file and expanded web application from the container:

```
$ cd /path/to/tomcat/webapps/  
$ rm -rf openam.war openam/
```

## Troubleshoot installations

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AM can capture information in debug log files that are useful when troubleshooting AM problems. [Debug logging](#) describes how to enable debug logging after AM has been started.

It is also possible to capture debug logs while installing AM. This can be useful if you need to troubleshoot an installation problem.

Follow these steps to capture debug logs while installing AM on Tomcat:

1. If Tomcat is already started, stop it.
2. Specify the `-Dcom.ipplanet.services.debug.level=message` option in the `CATALINA_OPTS` environment variable:

```
$ export CATALINA_OPTS=-  
Dcom.ipplanet.services.debug.level=message
```

There are several ways that you can specify the `CATALINA_OPTS` environment variable. You can set the variable:

- In the `/path/to/tomcat/bin/setenv.sh` file
  - In the login shell of the user who runs Tomcat
3. Run the AM installation. Debug log files containing troubleshooting information appear in the `/path/to/openam/var/debug` directory.
  4. When you have completed AM installation and no longer need to capture debug logs, stop Tomcat, revert the debug logging options, and restart Tomcat.

Was this helpful?  

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