

# **Remote Loader Guide**

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# About This Guide

This guide contains detailed information about the Remote Loader. It explains how and when you use the Remote Loader as part of your Identity Manager solution. It also contains configuration and management information for the Remote Loader.

- ♦ [Chapter 1, “Remote Loader Overview,” on page 7](#)
- ♦ [Chapter 2, “Installing the Remote Loader,” on page 11](#)
- ♦ [Chapter 3, “Configuring the Remote Loader,” on page 13](#)
- ♦ [Chapter 4, “Managing the Remote Loader,” on page 35](#)
- ♦ [Appendix A, “Usage Information for the DirXML Remote Loader for UNIX,” on page 41](#)

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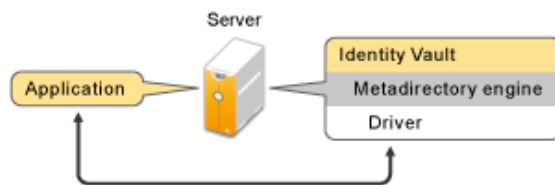


# 1 Remote Loader Overview

Identity Manager has an additional feature that extends Identity Manager functionality across applications. It is called the Remote Loader, and it allows the driver to access the application without having the Identity Vault and the Metadirectory engine installed on the same server as the application. As part of the planning process when installing Identity Manager, you need to decide if you are going to use the Remote Loader or not. This section defines what the Remote Loader is and contains instructions for installing and configuring the Remote Loader.

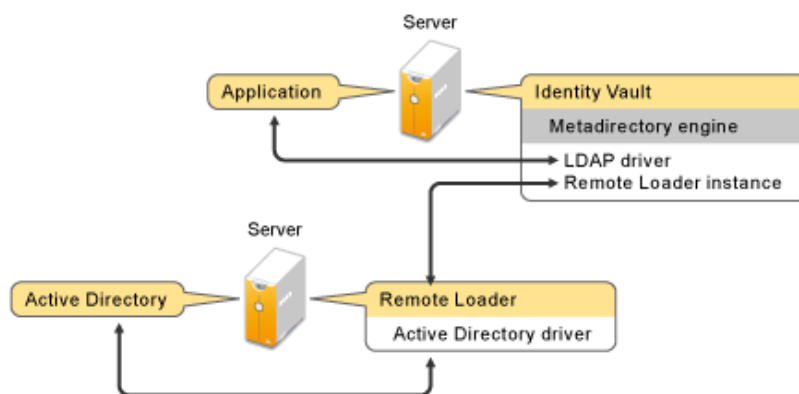
There are two different ways to configure the installation of the Metadirectory engine. [Figure 1-1](#) illustrates the first way. It shows that the Identity Vault, Metadirectory engine, and the driver shim all are installed and running on the same server. The driver shim is configured to communicate with the application and the Metadirectory engine.

**Figure 1-1** All Components Installed on the Same Server



[Figure 1-2](#) illustrates both configurations. The LDAP driver is installed on the same server as the Metadirectory engine and the Identity Vault. The Active Directory driver is installed on different servers with the Remote Loader. The Remote Loader allows the driver to access the application without having the Identity Vault and Metadirectory engine installed on that same server.

**Figure 1-2** A System Using the Remote Loader



The Remote Loader enables the Metadirectory engine to exchange data with the Identity Vault as different processes and in different locations, including the following:

- ♦ **As a separate process on the server where the Metadirectory engine is running:** The Metadirectory engine runs as part of an eDirectory process. The Identity Manager drivers can run on the server where the Metadirectory engine is running. In fact, they can run as part of the same process as the Metadirectory engine.

However, for strategic reasons and to simplifying troubleshooting, you might want the Identity Manager driver to run as a separate process on the server.

If the driver is running as a separate process, the Remote Loader provides a communication channel between the Metadirectory engine and the driver.

- ♦ **On a server that is not running the Metadirectory engine:** Some of the Identity Manager drivers are unable to run where the Metadirectory engine is running. The Remote Loader enables you to run the Metadirectory engine in one environment while running an Identity Manager driver on a server in a different environment. For example, you cannot run the Active Directory driver on a Linux server. The Metadirectory engine can run on the Linux Server while the Remote Loader runs on an Active Directory server.
  - ♦ **Scenario: Separate Servers.** The Metadirectory engine is running on a Linux Server. You need to run the Identity Manager Driver for Active Directory. This driver is unable to run on a Linux Server because it must run in an Active Directory environment. You install and run the Remote Loader on a Windows 2003 server. The Remote Loader provides a communication channel between the Active Directory driver and the Metadirectory engine.
  - ♦ **Scenario: Non-Host.** The Metadirectory engine is running on Solaris. You need to communicate with a NIS system where you want to provision user accounts. That system usually doesn't host the Metadirectory engine. You install the Remote Loader and the Identity Manager Driver for NIS on the NIS system. The Remote Loader on the NIS system runs the NIS driver and enables the Metadirectory engine and the NIS driver to exchange data.

Novell recommends that you use the Remote Loader configuration for use with your drivers where possible. Use the Remote Loader even in cases where the connected system is on the same server as the Metadirectory engine. The following benefits occur by running the driver with the Remote Loader configuration:

- ♦ eDirectory is protected from any exceptions encountered by the driver shim.
- ♦ It improves the performance of the server running the Metadirectory engine, by offloading driver commands to the remote application or database.
- ♦ It allows you to run additional drivers on the server where the Metadirectory engine is not installed.

For more information about the Identity Manager Remote Loader, see [this article \(http://www.novell.com/communities/node/2994/many-faces-remote-loaders-idm\)](http://www.novell.com/communities/node/2994/many-faces-remote-loaders-idm).

## 1.1 Java Remote Loader

The Remote Loader can host a remote interface shim (DirXML application shim) on the DirXML server. To control all the instances that host such remote interface shim, you use DirXML Java Remote Loader.

The DirXML Java Remote Loader is a Java application, which runs on any system with a compatible JRE (1.5.0 minimum) and Java Sockets.



You run the DirXML Java Remote Loader by using a shell script named `dirxml_jremote`.

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**IMPORTANT:** For updating your JRE, you must note that JRE 1.6 versions upto update 23 ship with [CVE-2010-4476 security vulnerability](http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/topics/security/alert-cve-2010-4476-305811.html) (<http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/topics/security/alert-cve-2010-4476-305811.html>). This security vulnerability has been addressed in JRE 1.6.0-24 version. You must use the FPUdater tool that Sun recently released to update your JRE to 1.6.0-24 version. The instructions for installing the latest JRE versions are available at the [JRE Patch Download Site](http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/fpupdater-tool-readme-305936.html) (<http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/fpupdater-tool-readme-305936.html>).

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# 2 Installing the Remote Loader

Identity Manager 4.0.1 allows coexistence of 32-bit and 64-bit Remote Loader on a 64-bit operating system. If you are upgrading a 32-bit Remote Loader installed on a 64-bit operating system, it upgrades 32-bit Remote Loader and also installs 64-bit Remote Loader. You can have both 32-bit Remote Loader and 64-bit Remote Loader on the same machine. The installation program detects the type of OS that is installed and then installs the corresponding version of the Remote Loader. For the installation instructions, see “[Installing the Remote Loader](#)” in the *Identity Manager 4.0.1 Framework Installation Guide*.



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# 3 Configuring the Remote Loader

The Remote Loader uses shims to communicate with the application. A shim is the file or files that contains the code to process the events that are synchronizing between the Identity Vault and the application.

The Remote Loader can host the Identity Manager application shims contained in .dll, .so, or .jar files. The Java Remote Loader hosts only Java driver shims. It won't load or host a native (C++) driver shim.

Configuring the Remote Loader is a two-step process; the Remote Loader requires configuration and the Driver object requires configuration. There are different configuration steps depending on if you are using Windows or Linux\UNIX.

- [Section 3.1, “Configuring the Remote Loader on Windows,” on page 13](#)
- [Section 3.2, “Configuring the Remote Loader for Linux/UNIX by Creating a Configuration File,” on page 15](#)
- [Section 3.3, “Configuring the Java Remote Loader,” on page 23](#)
- [Section 3.4, “Configuring the Identity Manager Drivers for Use with the Remote Loader,” on page 31](#)
- [Section 3.5, “Creating a Secure Connection,” on page 32](#)

## 3.1 Configuring the Remote Loader on Windows

You can configure the driver on Windows through a graphical utility called the Remote Loader Console utility or from the command line.

The Remote Loader Console utility enables you to manage all Remote Loader instances for Identity Manager drivers running on the Windows server. The utility is installed during the installation of Identity Manager.

If you are upgrading, the Console detects and imports existing instances of the Remote Loader. (To be automatically imported, driver configurations must be stored in the Remote Loader directory, typically `c:\novell\remoteloader`.) You can then use the Console to manage the remote drivers.

- 1 Double-click the *Remote Loader Console* icon on the desktop to launch the Remote Loader Console.

The Remote Loader Console allows you to start, stop, add, remove, and edit each instance of a Remote Loader.

- 2 Click *Add* to add a Remote Loader instance of your driver on this server.

- 3 Use the following information table to configure the Remote Loader instance for your driver:

**Description:** Specify a description to identify the Remote Loader instance in the Remote Loader Console utility.

**Driver:** Select the Java class name for the driver. If you are using the Active Directory driver, select *ADDriver.dll*. [Table 3-3 on page 30](#) contains a list of all of the Java class names for each driver.

**Config File:** Specify the name of the configuration file. The Remote Loader Console places configuration parameters into this text file and uses those parameters when it runs.

**Communications:** The following parameters are used to configured communication between the Remote Loader and the Metadirectory server.

- ♦ **IP Address:** Specify the IP address where the Remote Loader listens for connections from the Metadirectory server.
- ♦ **Connection Port - Metadirectory Server:** Specify the TCP port on which the Remote Loader listens for connections from the Metadirectory server.

The default TCP/IP port for this connection is 8090. With each new instance you create, the default port number automatically increases by one.

- ♦ **Command Port - Local host communication only:** Specify the TCP port number where a Remote Loader listens for commands such as Stop and Change Trace Level.

Each instance of the Remote Loader that runs on a particular computer must have a different command port number. The default command port is 8000. With each new instance you create, the default port number automatically increases by one.

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**NOTE:** By specifying different connection ports and command ports, you can run multiple instances of the Remote Loader on the same server, hosting different driver instances.

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**Remote Loader Password:** Specify the Remote Loader password. This password is used to control access to a Remote Loader instance for a driver. It must be the same case-sensitive password specified in the *Enter the Remote Loader Password* field on the Identity Manager driver configuration page. It is important that this password be difficult to guess and be different from the driver object password.

**Driver Object Password:** Specify the Driver Object password. The Remote Loader uses this password to authenticate to the Metadirectory server. It must be the same case-sensitive password specified in the *Driver Object Password* field on the Identity Manager driver configuration page. It is important that this password be difficult to guess and be different from the Remote Loader password.

**Secure Socket Layer (SSL):** Use the following parameters to configure a secure connection between the Remote Loader and Metadirectory server.

- ♦ **Use an SSL Connection:** You should always select this option. It is used to encrypt the transfer of data between the Remote Loader and the Metadirectory server.

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**NOTE:** You should use the same version of SSL on both the Metadirectory server and the Remote Loader. If the versions of SSL on the server and the Remote Loader do not match, the server returns a “SSL3\_GET\_RECORD:wrong version number” error message. This message is only a warning, and communication between the server and Remote Loader is not interrupted, but the error may cause confusion.

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- ♦ **Trusted Root File:** This is the exported self-signed certificate from the eDirectory tree’s Organization Certificate Authority. For more information, see [Section 3.5, “Creating a Secure Connection,” on page 32](#).

**Trace File:** Use the following parameters to configure the trace file for the Remote Loader:

- ♦ **Trace Level:** Specify a trace level greater than zero to display a trace window that contains informational messages from both the Remote Loader and the driver.

The most common setting is trace level 3. If the trace level is set to 0, the trace window is not displayed.

- ♦ **Trace File:** Specify a trace filename where trace messages are written.  
Each Remote Loader instance running on a particular machine must use a different trace file. Trace messages are written to the trace file only if the trace level is greater than zero.
- ♦ **Maximum Disk Space Allowed for all Trace Logs (Mb):** Specify the approximate maximum size that the trace file for this instance can occupy on disk.

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**NOTE:** Use the tracing options only for troubleshooting issues. Having the tracing enabled reduces the performance of the Remote Loader. Do not leave the trace enabled in production.

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**Establish a Remote Loader service for this driver instance:** Select this option if you want the Remote Loader established as a service. When this option is enabled, the operating system automatically starts the Remote Loader when the computer starts.

- 4 Specify the advanced configuration parameters. To do so:

- 4a Click Advanced to display the Advanced Configuration dialog box.

- 4b Modify the following settings as desired:

**Classpath:** Additional paths for the JVM to search for package (.jar) and class (.class) files. Using this parameter is the same as using the java -classpath command. When entering multiple class paths, separate them with a semicolon (;) for a Windows JVM and a colon (:) for a UNIX/Linux JVM.

**JVM Options:** The options used when starting the JVM instance of the driver.

**Heap size:** The initial and maximum heap size for the JVM instance.

- 4c Click OK, to save the advanced configuration information.

- 5 Click OK to save the configuration file.

If you need to change any of the parameters:

- 1 In the Remote Loader Console, select the Remote Loader instance from the *Description* column.
- 2 Click *Stop*, type the Remote Loader password, then click OK.
- 3 Click *Edit*, then modify the configuration information. See [Step 3 on page 13](#) and [Step 4 on page 15](#) for a description of each parameter.
- 4 Click OK to save the changes.

## 3.2 Configuring the Remote Loader for Linux/UNIX by Creating a Configuration File

For the Remote Loader to run, it requires a configuration file (for example, LDAPShim.txt). Windows is the only platform that provides a GUI interface to create this file. You can also create or edit a configuration file by using command line options. The following steps provide information on basic parameters for the configuration file. For information on additional parameters, see [Appendix A, "Usage Information for the DirXML Remote Loader for UNIX," on page 41](#).

- 1 To create a configuration file, open a text editor.
- 2 (Optional) Specify a description by using the -description option.

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-description	-desc	short description	Specify a short description string (for example, SAP) to be used for the trace window title and for Novell Audit logging.  Example:  -description SAP -desc SAP  The Remote Loader Console places long forms in the configuration files. You can use either a long form (for example, -description) or a short form (for example, -desc).

- 3 Specify a TCP/IP port that the Remote Loader instance will use by using the -commandport option.

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-commandport	-cp	port number	Specifies the TCP/IP port that the Remote Loader instance uses for control purposes. If the Remote Loader instance is hosting an application shim, the command port is the port on which another Remote Loader instance communicates with the instance that is hosting the shim. If the Remote Loader instance is sending a command to an instance that is hosting an application shim, the command port is the port on which the hosting instance is listening. If a port is not specified, the default command port is 8000. Multiple instances of the Remote Loader can run on the same server, hosting different driver instances by specifying different connection ports and command ports.  Example:  -commandport 8001 -cp 8001

- 4 Specify the parameters for the connection to the Metadirectory server running the Identity Manager remote interface shim by using the -connection option.

Use the format `-connection "parameter [parameter] [parameter]"`.

For example, type one of the following:

```
-connection "port=8091 rootfile=server1.pem"
-conn "port=8091 rootfile=server1.pem"
```

All the parameters must be included within quotation marks. Parameters include the following:



Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-connection	-conn	connection configuration string	<p>Specifies the connection parameters for the connection to the Metadirectory server running the Identity Manager remote interface shim. The default connection method for the Remote Loader is TCP/IP using SSL. The default TCP/IP port for this connection is 8090. Multiple instances of the Remote Loader can run on the same server. Each instance of the Remote Loader hosts a separate Identity Manager application shim instance. Differentiate multiple instances of the Remote Loader by specifying different connection ports and command ports for each Remote Loader instance.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-connection "port=8091 rootfile=server1.pem" -conn "port=8091 rootfile=server1.pem"</pre>
port		decimal port number	<p>A required parameter. It specifies the TCP/IP port on which the Remote Loader listens for connections from the remote interface shim.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>port=8090</pre>
address		IP address	<p>An optional parameter. Specifies that the Remote Loader listens on a particular local IP address. This is useful if the server hosting the Remote Loader has multiple IP addresses and the Remote Loader must listen on only one of the addresses.</p> <p>You have three options:</p> <pre>address=address number address='localhost' Don't use this parameter</pre> <p>If you don't use the address, the Remote Loader listens on all local IP addresses.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>address=137.65.134.83</pre>

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
fromaddress	None	IP address	<p>The Remote Loader only accepts connections from the specified IP address. Any other connections are not allowed.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>--conn "port=8092 fromaddress=10.0.0.2"</pre> <p>or</p> <pre>-connect "port=8094 fromaddress=metaserver1.company.com"</pre>
handshaketimeout	None	number of milliseconds	<p>Increases the time out period of the handshake between the Remote Loader and the Metadirectory engine.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-connection "port=8091 handshaketimeout=1000"</pre> <p>The value can be some integer greater than or equal to zero. Zero means never time out. The non-zero number is the number of milliseconds for the time out to occur. The default value is 1000 milliseconds.</p>
rootfile			<p>A conditional parameter. If you are running SSL and need the Remote Loader to communicate with a native driver, use</p> <pre>rootfile='trusted certname'</pre>
keystore			<p>Conditional parameter. Used only for the Identity Manager application shims contained in .jar files.</p> <p>Specifies the filename of the Java keystore that contains the trusted root certificate of the issuer of the certificate used by the remote interface shim. This is typically the Certificate Authority of the eDirectory tree that is hosting the remote interface shim.</p> <p>If you are running SSL and need the Remote Loader to communicate with a Java driver, use a key-value pair:</p> <pre>keystore='keystorename' storepass='password'</pre>

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
storepass		storepass	Used only for the Identity Manager application shims contained in .jar files. Specifies the password for the Java keystore specified by the keystore parameter.  Example:  storepass=mypassword  This option applies only to the Java Remote Loader.  The local address to which the socket is to be bound for client connection  Example:  localaddress=<ip>
Local address			
hostname			Specifies the address or name of the machine on which the Remote Loader will run.  Example:  hostname=192.168.0.1
kmo		keyname	Specifies the Key Name of the Key Material Object containing the keys and certificate used for SSL.  Example: kmo='remote driver cert'

**5** (Optional) Specify a trace parameter by using the -trace option.

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
trace	-t	integer	Specifies the trace level. This is only used when hosting an application shim. Trace levels correspond to those used on the Metadirectory server.  Example:  -trace 3 -t 3

**6** (Optional) Specify a trace file by using the -tracefile option.

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-tracefile	-tf	filename	<p>Specify a file to write trace messages to. Trace messages are written to the file if the trace level is greater than zero. Trace messages are written to the file even if the trace window is not open.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-tracefile c:\temp\trace.txt -tf c:\temp\trace.txt</pre>

**7** (Optional) Limit the size of the trace file by using the -tracefilemax option.

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-tracefilemax	-tfm	size	<p>Specifies the approximate maximum size that trace file data can occupy on disk. If you specify this option, there will be a trace file with the name specified using the tracefile option and up to 9 additional "roll-over" files. The roll-over files are named using the base of the main trace filename plus <i>_n</i>, where n is 1 through 9.</p> <p>The size parameter is the number of bytes. Specify the size by using the suffixes K, M, or G for kilobytes, megabytes, or gigabytes.</p> <p>If the trace file data is larger than the specified maximum when the Remote Loader is started, the trace file data remains larger than the specified maximum until roll-over is completed through all 10 files</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-tracefilemax 1000M -tfm 1000M</pre> <p>In this example, the trace file can be only 1 GB.</p>

**8** (Optional) Specify a Java parameter by using the -javaparam option.

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-javaparam	-jp	java environment parameter	<p>Specify that the specified Java environment parameters are set to the specified values. The supported parameters are DHOST_JVM_ADD_CLASSPATH (for additional jar files to be loaded alongwith the ones in standard IDM classpath), DHOST_JVM_INITIAL_HEAP, DHOST_JVM_MAX_HEAP, and DHOST_JVM_OPTIONS.</p> <p>You can specify a single Java environment parameter or multiple Java environment parameters, as necessary for your environment. You can also specify multiple values for a parameter by enclosing the parameter in quotation marks.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-javaparam DHOST_JVM_MAX_HEAP=512M -jp DHOST_JVM_MAX_HEAP=512M -jp "DHOST_JVM_OPTIONS=-Dfile.encoding=utf-8 -Duser.language=en"</pre>

**9** Specify the class by using the -class option, or specify the module by using the -module option.

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-class	-cl	Java class name	<p>Specifies the Java class name of the Identity Manager application shim that is to be hosted.</p> <p>For example, for a Java driver, use one of the following:</p> <pre>-class com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.ldap.LDAPDriverShim -cl com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.ldap.LDAPDriverShim</pre> <p>Java uses a keystore to read certificates. The -class option and the -module option are mutually exclusive.</p> <p>To see a list of the Java class names see <a href="#">Table 3-3 on page 30</a>.</p>

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-module	-m	modulename	<p>Specifies the module containing the Identity Manager application shim that is to be hosted.</p> <p>For example, for a native driver, type one of the following:</p> <pre>-module "c:\Novell\RemoteLoader\ADDriver.dll" -m "c:\Novell\RemoteLoader\ADDriver.dll"</pre> <p>or</p> <pre>-module "usr/lib/dirxml/ NISDriverShim.so" -m "usr/lib/dirxml/NISDriverShim.so"</pre> <p>The <code>-module</code> option uses a rootfile certificate. The <code>-module</code> option and the <code>-class</code> option are mutually exclusive.</p>

**NOTE:** The Remote Loader configuration file does not recognize the `tab` character as a delimiter in the `-class` or `-module` field, and does not start automatically. You need to manually start it. For the Remote Loader to start properly, you can use a space character instead of a `tab`.

#### 10 Name and save the file.

You can change some settings while the Remote Loader is running. See [Table 3-1](#) for a list of some of these settings. For a complete list of these settings, see [Appendix A, "Usage Information for the DirXML Remote Loader for UNIX,"](#) on page 41.

**Table 3-1** Selected Remote Loader Parameters

Parameter	Description
-commandport	Specifies an instance of the Remote Loader.
-config	Specifies a configuration file.
-javadebugport	Specifies that the Remote Loader instance is to enable Java debugging on the specified port.
-password	Specifies the password for authentication.
-service	Installs an instance as a service. Windows only.
-tracechange	Changes the trace level.
-tracefilechange	Changes the name of the trace file being written to.
-unload	Unloads the Remote Loader instance.
-window	Turns the trace window on or off in a Remote Loader instance. Windows only.

**IMPORTANT:** For the Remote Loader to automatically start when your computer starts, place the configuration file in the following location:

```
/etc/opt/novell/dirxml/rdxml
```

## 3.2.1 Setting Environment Variables on Solaris and Linux

After installing the Remote Loader, you can set the environment variable `RDXML_PATH`, which changes the current directory for `rdxml`. This directory is then taken as the base path for files that are subsequently created. To set the value of the `RDXML_PATH` variable, specify the following commands:

- ♦ `set RDXML_PATH=path`
- ♦ `export RDXML_PATH`

## 3.3 Configuring the Java Remote Loader

The options in the following table enable you to configure the Java Remote Loader on Linux and Solaris.

**Table 3-2** Remote Loader Options

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
address		IP address	<p>An optional parameter. Specifies that the Remote Loader listens on a particular local IP address. This is useful if the server hosting the Remote Loader has multiple IP addresses and the Remote Loader must listen on only one of the addresses.</p> <p>You have three options: <code>address=address number</code> <code>address='localhost'</code> Don't use this parameter.</p> <p>If you don't use the address, the Remote Loader listens on all local IP addresses.</p> <p>Example: <code>address=137.65.134.83</code></p>
-class	-cl	Java class name	<p>Specifies the Java class name of the Identity Manager application shim that is to be hosted.</p> <p>For example, for a Java driver, use one of the following:</p> <pre>-class com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.ldap.LDA PDriverShim</pre> <pre>-cl com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.ldap.LDA PDriverShim</pre> <p>Java uses a keystore to read certificates. The <code>-class</code> option and the <code>-module</code> option are mutually exclusive.</p> <p>To see a list of the Java class names see <a href="#">Table 3-3 on page 30</a>.</p>

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-commandport	-cp	port number	<p>Specifies the TCP/IP port that the Remote Loader instance uses for control purposes. If the Remote Loader instance is hosting an application shim, the command port is the port on which another Remote Loader instance communicates with the instance that is hosting the shim. If the Remote Loader instance is sending a command to an instance that is hosting an application shim, the command port is the port on which the hosting instance is listening. If it is not specified, the default command port is 8000. Multiple instances of the Remote Loader can run on the same server hosting different driver instances by specifying different connection ports and command ports.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-commandport 8001</pre> <pre>-cp 8001</pre>
-config	None	filename	<p>Specifies a configuration file. The configuration file can contain any command line options except the config option. Options specified on the command line override options specified in the configuration file.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-config config.txt</pre>
-connection	-conn	connection configuration string	<p>Specifies the connection parameters for the connection to the Metadirectory server running the Identity Manager remote interface shim. The default connection method for the Remote Loader is TCP/IP using SSL. The default TCP/IP port for this connection is 8090. Multiple instances of the Remote Loader can run on the same server. Each instance of the Remote Loader hosts a separate Identity Manager application shim instance. Differentiate multiple instances of the Remote Loader by specifying different connection ports and command ports for each Remote Loader instance.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-connection "port=8091 rootfile=server1.pem"</pre> <pre>-conn "port=8091 rootfile=server1.pem"</pre>



Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-description	-desc	short description	<p>Specify a short description string (for example, SAP) to be used for the trace window title and for Novell Audit logging.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-description SAP</pre> <pre>-desc SAP</pre> <p>The Remote Loader Console places long forms in the configuration files. You can use either a long form (for example, -description) or a short form (for example, -desc).</p>
fromaddress	None	IP address	<p>The Remote Loader only accepts connections from the specified IP address. Any other connections are not allowed.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>--conn "port=8092 fromaddress=10.0.0.2"</pre> <p>or</p> <pre>-connection "port=8094 fromaddress=metaserver1.company.com"</pre>
handshaketimeout	None	number of milliseconds	<p>Increases the time out period of the handshake between the Remote Loader and the Metadirectory engine.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-connection "port= 8093 handshaketimeout=1000"</pre> <p>The value can be some integer greater than or equal to zero. Zero means never time out. The non-zero number is the number of milliseconds for the time out to occur. The default value is 1000 milliseconds.</p>
-help	-?	None	<p>Displays help.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-help</pre> <pre>-?</pre>
-java	-j	None	<p>Specifies that the passwords are to be set for a Java shim instance. This option is only useful in conjunction with the setpasswords option. If -class is specified with -setpasswords, this option isn't necessary.</p>

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-javadebugport	-jdp	Port number	<p>Specifies that the Remote Loader instance is to enable Java debugging on the specified port. This is useful for developers of the Identity Manager application shims.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-javadebugport 8080</pre> <pre>-jdp 8080</pre>
keystore			<p>Conditional parameters. Used only for Identity Manager application shims contained in .jar files.</p> <p>Specifies the filename of the Java keystore that contains the trusted root certificate of the issuer of the certificate used by the remote interface shim. This is typically the Certificate Authority of the eDirectory tree that is hosting the remote interface shim.</p> <p>If you are running SSL and need the Remote Loader to communicate with a Java driver, use a key-value pair:</p> <pre>keystore='keystorename'</pre> <pre>storepass='password'</pre>
-module	-m	modulename	<p>Specifies the module containing the Identity Manager application shim that is to be hosted.</p> <p>For example, for a native driver, use one of the following:</p> <pre>-module</pre> <pre>"c:\Novell\RemoteLoader\Exchange5Shim.dll"</pre> <pre>-m</pre> <pre>"c:\Novell\RemoteLoader\Exchange5Shim.dll"</pre> <p>or</p> <pre>-module "usr/lib/dirxml/NISDriverShim.so"</pre> <pre>-m "usr/lib/dirxml/NISDriverShim.so"</pre> <p>The -module option uses a rootfile certificate. The -module option and the -class option are mutually exclusive.</p>

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-password	-p	password	<p>Specifies the password for command authentication. This password must be the same as the first password specified with the <code>setpasswords</code> option for the Remote Loader instance being commanded. If a command option (for example, <code>unload</code> or <code>tracechange</code>) is specified and the password option isn't specified, the user is prompted to enter the password for the loader that is the target of the command.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-password novell4</pre> <pre>-p novell4</pre>
port		decimal port number	<p>A required parameter. It specifies the TCP/IP port on which the Remote Loader listens for connections from the remote interface shim.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>port=8090</pre>
rootfile			<p>A conditional parameter. If you are running SSL and need the Remote Loader to communicate with a native driver, use</p> <pre>rootfile='trusted certname'</pre>
-service	-serv	None, or install/uninstall	<p>To install an instance as a service, use the <code>install</code> argument together with any other arguments necessary to host an application shim. For example, the arguments used must include <code>-module</code>, but any argument can include <code>-connection</code>, <code>-commandport</code>, and so forth.</p> <p>This option installs the Win32 service but doesn't start the service.</p> <p>To uninstall an instance running as a service, use the <code>uninstall</code> argument together with any other arguments necessary to host the application shim.</p> <p>The no-argument version of this option is only used on the command line to an instance being run as a Win32 service. This is automatically set up when installing an instance as a service.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-service install</pre> <pre>-serv uninstall</pre> <p>This option isn't available on <code>rdxml</code> or the Java Remote Loader.</p>

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-setpasswords	-sp	password password	<p>Specifies the password for the Remote Loader instance and the password of the Identity Manager Driver object of the remote interface shim that the Remote Loader communicates with. The first password in the argument is the password for the Remote Loader. The second password in the optional arguments is the password for the Identity Manager Driver object associated with the remote interface shim on the Metadirectory server. Either no password or both passwords must be specified. If no password is specified, the Remote Loader prompts for the passwords. This is a configuration option. Using this option configures the Remote Loader instance with the passwords specified but doesn't load a Identity Manager application shim or communicate with another loader instance.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-setpasswords novell14 staccato3</pre> <pre>-sp novell14 staccato3</pre>
storepass		storepass	<p>Used only for Identity Manager application shims contained in .jar files. Specifies the password for the Java keystore specified by the keystore parameter.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>storepass=mypassword</pre> <p>This option applies only to the Java Remote Loader.</p>
-trace	-t	integer	<p>Specifies the trace level. This is only used when hosting an application shim. Trace levels correspond to those used on the metadirectory server.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-trace 3</pre> <pre>-t 3</pre>
-tracechange	-tc	integer	<p>Commands a Remote Loader instance that is hosting an application shim to change its trace level. Trace levels correspond to those used on the metadirectory server.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-tracechange 1</pre> <pre>-tc 1</pre>

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-tracefile	-tf	filename	<p>Specify a file to write trace messages to. Trace messages are written to the file if the trace level is greater than zero. Trace messages are written to the file even if the trace window is not open.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-tracefile c:\temp\trace.txt</pre> <pre>-tf c:\temp\trace.txt</pre>
-tracefilechange	-tfc	None, or filename	<p>Commands a Remote Loader instance that is hosting an application shim to start using a trace file, or to close one already in use and use a new one. Using the no-argument version of this option causes the hosting instance to close any trace file being used.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-tracefilechange c:\temp\newtrace.txt</pre> <pre>tfc c:\temp\newtrace.txt</pre>
-tracefilemax	-tfm	size	<p>Specifies the approximate maximum size that trace file data can occupy on disk. If you specify this option, there is a trace file with the name specified using the tracefile option and up to 9 additional "roll-over" files. The roll-over files are named using the base of the main trace filename plus <i>_n</i>, where n is 1 through 9.</p> <p>The size parameter is the number of bytes. Specify the size by using the suffixes K, M, or G for kilobytes, megabytes, or gigabytes.</p> <p>If the trace file data is larger than the specified maximum when the Remote Loader is started, the trace file data remains larger than the specified maximum until roll-over is completed through all 10 files</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-tracefilemax 1000M</pre> <pre>-tfm 1000M</pre> <p>In this example, the trace file can be only 1 GB.</p>
-unload	-u	None	<p>Unloads the Remote Loader instance. If the Remote Loader is running as a Win32 Service, this command stops the service.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-unload</pre> <pre>-u</pre>

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-window	-w	On/Off	<p>Turns the trace window on or off in a Remote Loader instance.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-window on</pre> <pre>-w off</pre> <p>This option is available only on Windows platforms. It isn't available on the Java Remote Loader.</p>
-wizard	-wiz	None	<p>Launches the Configuration Wizard. Running <code>dirxml_remote.exe</code> with no command line parameters also launches the wizard. This option is useful if a configuration file is also specified. In this case, the wizard starts with values from the configuration file and the wizard can be used to change the configuration without editing the configuration file directly.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-wizard</pre> <pre>-wiz</pre> <p>This option is available only on Windows platforms. It isn't available on the Java Remote Loader.</p>

**Table 3-3** *Java Class Names*

Java Class Name	Driver
<code>com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.avaya.PBXDriverShim</code>	Avaya PBX Driver
<code>com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.dcsshim.DCSShim</code>	Driver for Data Collection Service
<code>com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.delimitedtext.DelimitedTextDriver</code>	Delimited Text Driver
<code>be.opns.dirxml.driver.ars.arsremedydrivershim.ARSDriverShim</code>	Driver for Remedy ARS
<code>com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.entitlement.EntitlementServiceDriver</code>	Entitlements Service Driver
<code>com.novell.gw.dirxml.driver.gw.GWdriverShim</code>	GroupWise Driver
<code>com.novell.idm.drivers.idprovider.IDProviderShim</code>	ID Provider Driver
<code>com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.jdbc.JDBCdriverShim</code>	JDBC Driver
<code>com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.jms.JMSDriverShim</code>	JMS Driver
<code>com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.ldap.LDAPDriverShim</code>	LDAP Driver
<code>com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.loopback.LoopbackDriverShim</code>	Loopback Driver
<code>com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.msgateway.MSGatewayDriverShim</code>	Managed System Gateway Driver
<code>com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.manualtask.driver.ManualTaskDriver</code>	Manual Task Driver

Java Class Name	Driver
com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.nisdriver.NISDriverShim	NIS Driver
com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.notes.NotesDriverShim	Notes Driver
com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.psoftshim.PSOFTDriverShim	PeopleSoft Driver
com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.salesforce.SFDriverShim	Salesforce Driver
com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.SAPHRShim.SAPDriverShim	SAP HR Driver
com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.sap.portal.SAPPortalShim	SAP Portal Driver
com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.sapumshim.SAPDriverShim	SAP User Management Driver
com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.soap.SOAPDriver	SOAP Driver
com.novell.idm.driver.ComposerDriverShim	User Application
com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.workorder.WorkOrderDriverShim	WorkOrder Driver

## 3.4 Configuring the Identity Manager Drivers for Use with the Remote Loader

You can configure a new driver or enable an existing driver to communicate with the Remote Loader. This section provides general information on configuring drivers so that they communicate with the Remote Loader. For driver-specific information, refer to the relevant driver implementation guide at the [Identity Manager Driver Documentation Web page \(http://www.novell.com/documentation/idm40drivers/index.html\)](http://www.novell.com/documentation/idm40drivers/index.html).

When you create a new Driver object in either Designer or iManager, there are additional fields to populate to enable the Remote Loader. You add information to these same fields if you modify an existing driver.

To configure the driver:

- 1 In the properties of the Driver object, fill in the following fields:

**Driver Module:** Select *Connect to Remote Loader*.

**Driver Object Password:** The driver object password is used by the Remote Loader to authenticate itself to the Metadirectory server. This password must match the password for the driver object defined on the Remote Loader.

**Remote Loader Connection Parameters:** Specify the information required to connect to the Remote Loader. The parameter format is `hostname=xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx port=xxxx kmo=certificatename`, where `hostname` is the IP address of the Remote Loader server and `port` is the port the Remote Loader is listening on (the default is 8090). The `kmo` parameter is used only when an SSL connection exists between the Remote Loader and the Metadirectory engine; it defines the Key Name of the Key Material Object containing the keys and certificate used for SSL. The `localaddress` parameter is used to specify the source IP address if more than one IP addresses are configured on the host where engine is running.

Example: `hostname=10.0.0.1 port=8090 kmo=IDMCertificate`

**Remote Loader Password:** Specify the password required for the Metadirectory engine (or Remote Loader shim) to authenticate to the Remote Loader.

- 2 Define a security-equivalent user, click *Next*, then click *Finish*.

## 3.5 Creating a Secure Connection

If you plan to use the Remote Loader, the first step is to provide secure data transfer between the Remote Loader and the Metadirectory engine. This requires you to use the Secure Socket Layer (SSL) to setup a connection between the Remote Loader and the Metadirectory engine.

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**NOTE:** You should use the same version of SSL on both the Metadirectory server and the Remote Loader. If the versions of SSL on the server and the Remote Loader do not match, the server returns a "SSL3\_GET\_RECORD:wrong version number" error message. This message is only a warning, and communication between the server and Remote Loader is not interrupted, but the error may cause confusion.

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To accomplish this, complete the following tasks:

- ♦ [Section 3.5.1, "Creating a Server Certificate," on page 32](#)
- ♦ [Section 3.5.2, "Exporting a Self-Signed Certificate," on page 33](#)
- ♦ [Section 3.5.3, "Creating a Keystore," on page 34](#)

### 3.5.1 Creating a Server Certificate

If you are unfamiliar with certificates, it is easy to create a new one.

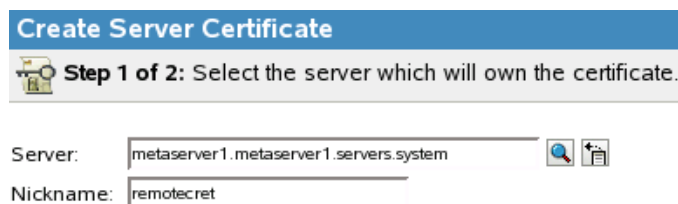
- 1 In Novell iManager, click *Novell Certificate Server > Create Server Certificate*.
- 2 Select the server to own the certificate, and give the certificate a nickname (for example, remotecert).

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**IMPORTANT:** We recommend that you don't use spaces in the certificate nickname. For example, use remotecert instead of remote cert.



Also, make a note of the certificate nickname. This nickname is used for the KMO name in the driver's remote connection parameters.

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**Create Server Certificate**

 **Step 1 of 2:** Select the server which will own the certificate.

Server:   

Nickname:

- 3 Leave the Creation method set to *Standard*, then click *Next*.
- 4 Review the Summary, click *Finish*, then click *Close*.

You have created a server certificate. Continue with [Section 3.5.2, "Exporting a Self-Signed Certificate," on page 33](#).

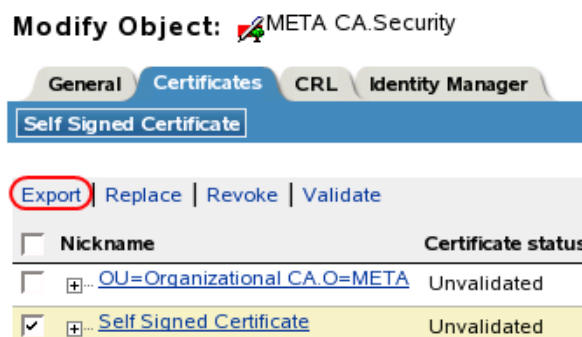


## 3.5.2 Exporting a Self-Signed Certificate

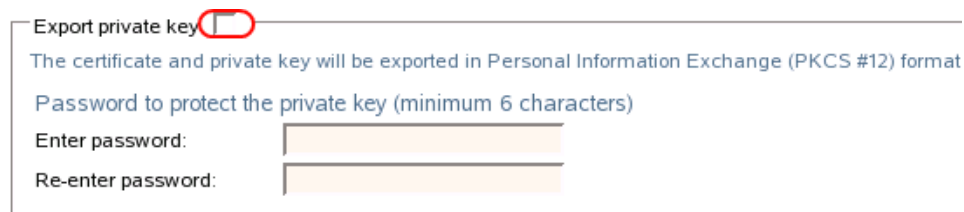
You can export a newly created certificate. Or, if an SSL server certificate already exists and you have experience with SSL certificates, you can use the existing certificate instead of creating and using a new one.

When a server joins a tree, eDirectory creates the following default certificates:

- ♦ SSL CertificateIP
  - ♦ SSL CertificateDNS
- 1 In iManager, click *eDirectory Administration > Modify Object*.
  - 2 Browse to and select the Certificate Authority in the Security container, then click *OK*.  
The Certificate Authority (CA) is named after the tree name (Treename-CA.Security).
  - 3 Click the *Certificates* tab, select the *Self-Signed Certificate*, then click *Export*.



- 4 In the Export Certificate Wizard, deselect *Export private key*.



You don't want to export the private key with the certificate.

- 5 Set the export format to *BASE64*, then click *Next*.

Export format:

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**IMPORTANT:** When the Remote Loader is running on a Windows 2003 R2 SP1 32-bit server, the certificate must be in Base64 format. If you use the DER format, the Remote Loader fails to connect to the Identity Manager engine.

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- 6 Click the link to *Save the exported certificate*, specify a location in the local file system, then click *Save*.
- 7 Click *Close*.

### 3.5.3 Creating a Keystore

A keystore is a Java file that contains encryption keys and, optionally, certificates. If you want to use SSL between the Remote Loader and the Metadirectory engine, and you are using a Java shim, you need to create a keystore file.

- ♦ [“Keystore on Windows” on page 34](#)
- ♦ [“Keystore on Solaris and Linux” on page 34](#)
- ♦ [“Keystore on All Platforms” on page 34](#)

#### Keystore on Windows

On Windows, run the Keytool utility, typically found in the `c:\novell\remoteloader\jre\bin` directory.

#### Keystore on Solaris and Linux

On Solaris and Linux environments, use the `create_keystore` file. `Create_keystore` is installed with `rdxml`. It is located in the `install_directory/dirxml/bin` directory. The `create_keystore` file is also included in the `dirxml_jremote.tar.gz` file, found in the `\dirxml\java_remoteloader` directory. The `create_keystore` file is a shell script that calls the Keytool utility.

On UNIX, when the self-signed certificate is used to create the keystore, the certificate can be exported in Base64 or binary DER format.

Enter the following at the command line:

```
create_keystore self-signed_certificate_name keystorename
```

For example, type one of the following

```
create_keystore tree-root.b64 mystore
create_keystore tree-root.der mystore
```

The `create_keystore` script specifies a hard-coded password of “`dirxml`” for the keystore password. This is not a security risk because only a public certificate and public key are stored in the keystore.

#### Keystore on All Platforms

To create a keystore on any platform, you can enter the following at the command line:

```
keytool -import -alias trustedroot -file self-signed_certificate_name -keystore
filename -storepass keystorepass
```

The filename can be any name (for example, `rdev_keystore`).

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# 4 Managing the Remote Loader

The Remote Loader is either a service or a daemon. At times the server or daemon must be restarted. The following procedures explain how to start and stop the Remote Loader.

- ♦ [Section 4.1, “Starting the Remote Loader,” on page 35](#)
- ♦ [Section 4.2, “Stopping the Remote Loader,” on page 38](#)

## 4.1 Starting the Remote Loader

Each platform has a different way to start the Remote Loader.

- ♦ [Section 4.1.1, “Starting the Remote Loader on Windows,” on page 35](#)
- ♦ [Section 4.1.2, “Auto-Starting the Remote Loader,” on page 37](#)
- ♦ [Section 4.1.3, “Starting the Remote Loader on Solaris and Linux,” on page 38](#)

### 4.1.1 Starting the Remote Loader on Windows

You can start the Remote Loader from the Remote Loader Console icon or from the command line.

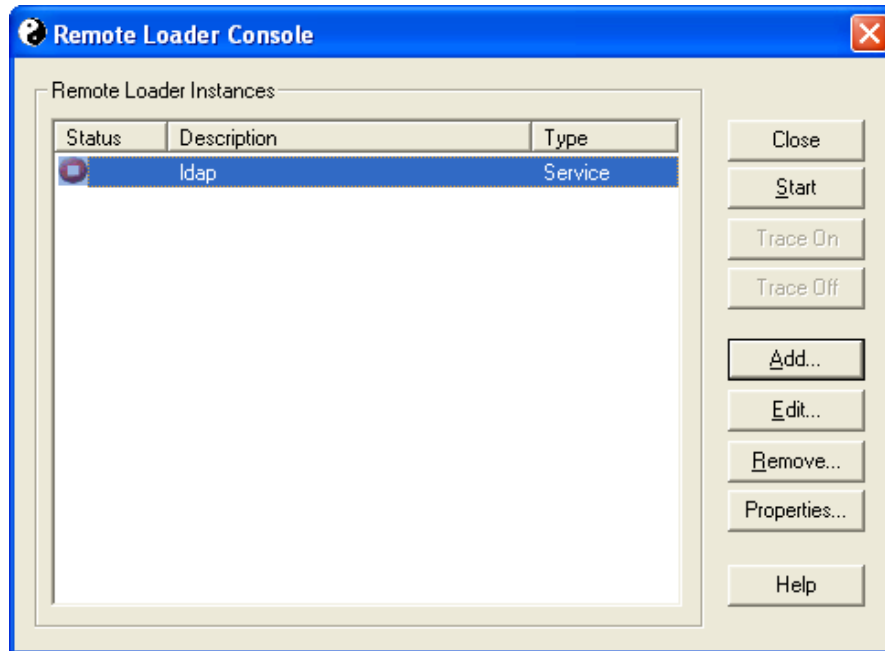
- ♦ [“Starting from the Remote Loader Console” on page 35](#)
- ♦ [“Starting from the Command Line in Windows” on page 36](#)

#### Starting from the Remote Loader Console

- 1 Click the *Remote Loader Console* icon on the desktop.



- 2 Select a driver instance, then click *Start*.



## Starting from the Command Line in Windows

The command line functionality is provided by `dirxml_remote.exe`. By default, it is located in `c:\novell\RemoteLoader\dirxml_remote.exe`.

- 1 At a command prompt, set the password for the Remote Loader. For password command options, see [Table 4-1 on page 37](#).

```
dirxml_remote -config path_to_config_file -sp password password
```

- 2 Start the Remote Loader.

```
dirxml_remote -config path_to_config_file
```

- 3 Use iManager to start the driver.
- 4 Confirm that the Remote Loader is working properly.

The Remote Loader loads the Identity Manager application shim only when the Remote Loader is in communication with the remote interface shim on the Metadirectory server. This means, for example, that the application shim shuts down if the Remote Loader loses communication with the Metadirectory server.

**Table 4-1** Password Command Line Options

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-password	-p	password	<p>Specifies the password for command authentication. This password must be the same as the first password specified with setpasswords for the loader instance being commanded. If a command option (for example, unload or tracechange) is specified and the password option isn't specified, the user is prompted to enter the password for the loader that is the target of the command.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-password novell4 -p novell4</pre>
-setpasswords	-sp	password password	<p>Specifies the password for the Remote Loader instance and the password of the Identity Manager Driver object of the remote interface shim that the Remote Loader communicates with. The first password in the argument is the password for the Remote Loader. The second password in the optional arguments is the password for the Identity Manager Driver object associated with the remote interface shim on the Metadirectory server. Either no password or both passwords must be specified. If no password is specified, the Remote Loader prompts for the passwords. This is a configuration option. Using this option configures the Remote Loader instance with the passwords specified but doesn't load an Identity Manager application shim or communicate with another loader instance.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-setpasswords novell4 staccato3 -sp novell4 staccato3</pre>

## 4.1.2 Auto-Starting the Remote Loader

To auto-start the Remote Loader on a Windows platform, see Step 9 in [Section 3.1, “Configuring the Remote Loader on Windows,” on page 13](#).

Select *Establish a Remote Loader service for this driver instance* if you want the Remote Loader as a service.

☒ Establish a Remote Loader service for this driver instance.

When this option is enabled, the operating system automatically starts the Remote Loader when the computer starts.

To auto-start the Remote Loader on a Linux/Unix platform, place your configuration file in `/etc/opt/novell/dirxml/rdxml`. Your Remote Loader instance starts automatically when the computer starts.

### 4.1.3 Starting the Remote Loader on Solaris and Linux

On Solaris and Linux, the binary component `rdxml` provides the Remote Loader functionality. The default location of this component is in the `/usr/bin/` directory.

- 1 Set the password for the Remote Loader. For command password options, see [Table 4-1 on page 37](#).

Platform	Command
Solaris Linux	<code>rdxml -config <i>path_to_config_file</i> -sp <i>password password</i></code>
HP-UX AS/400 OS/390 z/OS	<code>dirxml_jremote -config <i>path_to_config_file</i> -sp <i>password password</i></code>

- 2 Start the Remote Loader.

Platform	Command
Solaris Linux	<code>rdxml -config <i>path_to_config_file</i></code>
HP-UX AS/400 OS/390 z/OS	<code>dirxml_jremote -config <i>path_to_config_file</i></code>

- 3 Use iManager to start the driver.
- 4 Confirm that the Remote Loader is operating properly.

The Remote Loader loads the Identity Manager application shim only when the Remote Loader is in communication with the remote interface shim on the Metadirectory server. This means, for example, that the application shim shuts down if the Remote Loader loses communication with the Metadirectory server.

For Linux and Solaris, use the `ps` command or a trace file to find out whether the command and connection ports are listening.

For HP-UX and similar platforms, monitor the Java Remote Loader by using the `tail` command on the tracefile:

```
tail -f trace filename
```

If the last line of the log shows the following, the loader is successfully running and awaiting connection from the Identity Manager remote interface shim:

```
TRACE: Remote Loader: Entering listener accept()
```

## 4.2 Stopping the Remote Loader

Each platform has a different way to stop the Remote Loader. [Table 4-2](#) contains the instructions for each platform.

**Table 4-2** *How to Stop the Remote Loader*

Platform	Command
Windows	Use the Remote Loader Console to stop a driver instance.
Solaris Linux	<code>rdxml -config path_to_config_file -u</code>
HP-UX AS/400 OS/390 z/OS	<code>dirxml_jremote -config path_to_config_file -u</code>

If multiple instances of the Remote Loader are running on the computer, pass the `-cp command port` option so that the Remote Loader can stop the appropriate instance.

When you stop the Remote Loader, you must have sufficient rights or specify the Remote Loader password. For example, the Remote Loader is running as a Windows service. You have sufficient rights to stop it. You enter a password, but realize that it is incorrect. The Remote Loader stops anyway, because the Remote Loader isn't "accepting" the password. Instead, it is ignoring the password because the password is redundant in this case. If you run the Remote Loader as an application rather than as a service, the password is used.





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# A Usage Information for the DirXML Remote Loader for UNIX

The DirXML Remote Loader executable is used to host a DirXML application shim or to control another instance of the remote loader that is hosting a DirXML application shim.

Communication between a shim-hosting instance and the command line instance being used to control the shim-hosting instance is through a TCP/IP port. This is referred to as the command port. Another TCP/IP port is used for communication with the DirXML engine, via the remote interface shim.

The remote loader will only load the DirXML application shim when the remote loader is in communication with the remote interface shim on the DirXML server. This means, for example, that the application shim will be shut down if the remote loader loses communication with the DirXML server.

The DirXML Remote Loader is capable of hosting DirXML application shims contained in .so files and DirXML application shims contained in .jar files.

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## A.1 Command Line Options and Parameters

Command line options are used for three purposes with the DirXML remote loader. Certain command line options specify the parameters for a remote loader instance that is hosting a DirXML application shim. These options include specifying the shim module or class, the connection parameters used for communicating with the remote interface shim on the DirXML server, trace level, etc.

Other command line options are used to send commands to a remote loader instance that is hosting a DirXML application shim. These options include opening and closing the trace window and unloading the remote loader.

Still other options are used for certain configuration purposes. These options include setting the passwords and installing and uninstalling a remote loader instance as a Win32 service.

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-class	-cl	Java class name	<p>Specifies the Java class name of the DirXML application shim that is to be hosted. The class option and the module option are mutually exclusive.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-class com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.ldap.LDAPDriverShim</pre> <pre>-cl com.novell.nds.dirxml.driver.ldap.LDAPDriverShim</pre>
-commandport	-cp	port number	<p>Specifies the TCP/IP port that the remote loader instance will use for control purposes.</p> <p>If the remote loader instance is hosting an application shim the command port is the port on which another remote loader instance will communicate with the instance hosting the shim.</p> <p>If the remote loader instance is sending a command to an instance that is hosting an application shim the command port is the port on which the hosting instance is listening.</p> <p>If not specified the default command port is 8000.</p> <p>Multiple instances of the remote loader can be run on the same server hosting different driver instances by specifying different connection ports and command ports.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-commandport 8001</pre> <pre>-cp 8001</pre>
-config		filename	<p>Specifies a configuration file. The configuration file can contain any command line options except config. Options specified on the command line override options specified in the configuration file.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-config config.txt</pre>

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-connection	-conn	connection configuration string	<p>Specifies the connection parameters for the connection to the DirXML server running the DirXML remote interface shim.</p> <p>The default connection method for the remote loader is TCP/IP using SSL. The default TCP/IP port for this connection is 8090.</p> <p>Multiple instances of the remote loader can be run on the same server hosting different driver instances by specifying different connection ports and command ports.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-connection "port=8091 rootfile=server1.pem" -conn "port=8091 rootfile=server1.pem"</pre>
-datadir	-dd	data directory	<p>Sets the directory for data files used by the Remote Loader. This option causes the rdxml process to change its current directory to the specified directory. This means trace files and other files that do not have an explicit path specified will be created in the specified data directory.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-datadir /var/opt/novell/dirxml/rdxml/data -dd /var/opt/novell/dirxml/rdxml/data</pre>
-description	-desc	short description	<p>Specifies a short description string that will be used for Nsure Audit logging.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-description SAP -desc SAP</pre>
-help		None	<p>The help is shown.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-help</pre>
-java	-j	None	<p>Specifies that the passwords are to be set for a Java shim instance. This option is only useful in conjunction with the setpasswords option. If -class is specified with -setpasswords this option is not necessary.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-java -j</pre>

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-javadebugport	-jdp	port number	<p>Specifies that the remote loader instance is to enable Java debugging on the specified port. This is useful for developers of DirXML application shims.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-javadebugport 8080 -jdp 8080</pre>
-javaparam	-jp	java environment parameter	<p>Specifies that the specified Java environment parameters are set to the specified values. The supported parameters are DHOST_JVM_ADD_CLASSPATH (for additional jar files to be loaded alongwith the ones in standard IDM classpath), DHOST_JVM_INITIAL_HEAP, DHOST_JVM_MAX_HEAP and DHOST_JVM_OPTIONS.</p> <p>You can specify a single Java environment parameter or multiple Java environment parameters, as necessary for your environment. You can also specify multiple values for a parameter by enclosing the parameter in quotation marks.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-javaparam DHOST_JVM_MAX_HEAP=512M -jp DHOST_JVM_MAX_HEAP=512M -jp "DHOST_JVM_OPTIONS=-Dfile.encoding=utf-8 -Duser.language=en"</pre>
-module	-m	modulename	<p>Specifies the module containing the DirXML application shim that is to be hosted. The module option and the class option are mutually exclusive.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-module /usr/lib/nds-modules/libcskeldrv.so.0.0.0 -m /usr/lib/nds-modules/libcskeldrv.so.0.0.0</pre>

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-password	-p	password	<p>Specifies the password for command authentication. This password must be the same as the first password specified with setpasswords for the loader instance being commanded.</p> <p>If a command option (unload, tracechange, etc.) is specified and the password option is not specified the user will be prompted to enter the password for the loader that is the target of the command.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-password novell4</pre> <pre>-p novell4</pre>
-piddir	-pd	pidfile directory	<p>Sets the directory for the process id file (pidfile) used by the Remote Loader process. The pidfile exists primarily for use by SysV-style init scripts. If not specified, the pidfile directory defaults to /var/run, or, if the Remote Loader is run by a user without sufficient rights to open the pidfile for reading and writing in /var/run, then the current directory is used. (See also -datadir).</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-piddir /var/opt/novell/dirxml/rdxml/data</pre> <pre>-pd /var/opt/novell/dirxml/rdxml/data</pre>
-setpasswords	-sp	None, or password password	<p>Specifies the password for the remote loader instance and the password of the DirXML-Driver object of the remote interface shim with which the remote loader will communicate.</p> <p>The first password in the optional arguments is the password for the remote loader. The second password in the optional arguments is the password for the DirXML-Driver object associated with the remote interface shim on the DirXML server.</p> <p>Either no password or both passwords must be specified. If no password is specified the remote loader will prompt for the passwords.</p> <p>This is a configuration option. Using this option configures the remote loader instance with the passwords specified but does not load a DirXML application shim or communicate with another loader instance.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-setpasswords novell4 fishlips3</pre> <pre>-sp novell4 fishlips3</pre>

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-trace	-t	integer	<p>Specifies the trace level. This is only used when hosting an application shim.</p> <p>Trace levels correspond to those used on the DirXML server.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-trace 3 -t 3</pre>
-tracechange	-tc	integer	<p>Specifies the command to change the trace level of a remote loader instance that is hosting an application shim.</p> <p>Trace levels correspond to those used on the DirXML server.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-tracechange 1 -tc 1</pre>
-tracefile	-tf	filename	<p>Specifies a file to which to write trace messages. Trace messages will be written to the file if the trace level is greater than zero. Trace messages will be written to the file even if the trace window is not open.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-tracefile /tmp/trace.txt -tf /tmp/trace.txt</pre>
-tracefilechange	-tfc	None, or filename	<p>Command a remote loader instance that is hosting an application shim to start using a trace file, or to close one already in use and use a new one.</p> <p>Using the no-argument version of this option will cause the hosting instance to close any trace file being used.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-tracefilechange /tmp/newtrace.txt -tfc /tmp/newtrace.txt</pre>

Option	Secondary Name	Parameter	Description
-tracefilemax	-tfm	size	<p>Specifies the approximate maximum size that trace file data may occupy on disk. If this option is specified there will be a trace file with the name specified using the <code>tracefile</code> option and up to 9 additional "roll-over" files. The roll-over files are named using the base of the main trace filename plus "_n" where n is 1 through 9.</p> <p>The size parameter is the number of bytes, and may be specified using the suffixes 'K', 'M', or 'G' for kilobytes, megabytes, or gigabytes, respectively.</p> <p>Note that if the trace file data is larger than the specified maximum when the remote loader is started then the trace file data will remain larger than the specified maximum until roll-over is completed through all 10 files.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-tracefilemax 25M -tfm 25M</pre>
-unload	-u	None	<p>Unload the remote loader instance. If the remote loader is running as a Win32 Service this will stop the service.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>-unload -u</pre>

## A.2 Connection Parameters

Connection parameters are specified using the connection command line option.

The DirXML Remote loader allows for custom connection methods between the remote loader and the remote interface shim that is hosted on the DirXML server. The default connection method is TCP/IP using SSL and is what is discussed in this section. Refer to the documentation that comes with the custom connection module for information regarding what is expected and allowed in the connection string for a custom connection module.

The remote loader opens a server socket and listens for connections from the remote interface shim. When the remote interface shim connects to the remote loader an SSL handshake is performed to establish a secure channel. Once a secure channel has been established the remote interface shim authenticates to the remote loader. If the authentication of the remote interface shim succeeds then the remote loader authenticates to the remote interface shim. Only when both sides are satisfied that they are communicating with an authorized entity does synchronization traffic occur.

The following section details the argument names and parameters for the TCP/IP connection method.

Option	Parameter	Description
address	-IP address	<p>Specifies that the remote loader will listen on a particular local IP address. This is useful if the server hosting the remote loader has multiple IP addresses and the remote loader must listen on only one of the addresses. If <code>address</code> is not specified the remote loader will listen on all local IP addresses.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>address=137.65.134.83</pre>
fromaddress	IP address	<p>Specifies that the remote loader will only accept connections from the specified IP address.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>fromaddress=137.65.134.84</pre>
handshaketimeout	time value in milliseconds	<p>Specifies the "handshake timeout" value for connections to the remote loader. If the SSL handshake and password exchange handshake do not complete within this period following the establishment of the initial TCP connection the remote loader will close the connection. The default value is 1000 (1 second). The default value should only be changed in cases where handshake timeouts are occurring with otherwise valid connections from the Identity Manager engine.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>handshaketimeout=1500</pre>
keystore	keystore	<p>Used only for DirXML application shims contained in .jar files.</p> <p>Specifies the filename of the Java keystore that contains the trusted root certificate of the issuer of the certificate used by the remote interface shim. This will typically be the Certificate Authority of the eDirectory tree that is hosting the remote interface shim.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>keystore=my.keystore</pre>
port	decimal port number	<p>Specifies the TCP/IP port on which the remote loader will listen for connections from the remote interface shim.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>port=8090</pre>



Option	Parameter	Description
rootfile	filename	<p>Used only for DirXML application shims contained in .so files.</p> <p>Specifies the file containing the trusted root certificate of the issuer of the certificate used by the remote interface shim. This will typically be the Certificate Authority of the eDirectory tree that is hosting the remote interface shim. The certificate file must be in Base 64 format (PEM).</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>rootfile=trusted_root.pem</pre>
storepass	storepass	<p>Used only for DirXML application shims contained in .jar files.</p> <p>Specifies the password for the Java keystore specified by the keystore parameter.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>storepass=mypassword</pre>

## A.3 Configuring a DirXML Application Shim for the Remote Loader

There are a few additional steps involved in setting up a DirXML application shim for use with the remote loader in addition to the normal procedure for setting up a DirXML application shim.

Using iManager (with the DirXML plug-ins):

### A.3.1 Install a driver configuration for the application shim

This is performed in the usual fashion using iManager (Click DirXML Management > Overview.)

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- ♦ [“Install the remote loader on the remote machine” on page 50](#)
- ♦ [“Configure the remote loader” on page 50](#)
- ♦ [“Run the remote loader” on page 50](#)

#### Configure the driver for use with the remote loader

1. From the *Overview*, click the DirXML Driver object.
2. Select the *Driver Configuration* tab.
3. Change the radio button from "Java" or "Native" to "Connect to Remote Loader".
4. Enter a password in the *Driver Object* field.
5. This password will be used by the remote loader to authenticate itself to the remote interface shim.

6. Enter the password for the remote loader. This password is used by the remote interface shim to authenticate itself to the remote loader.
7. Enter the communications parameters for the remote loader. This is a series of "name=value" pairs. The following are supported:

Option	Parameter	Description
hostname	host name or ip address	Specifies the address or name of the machine on which the remote loader will run.  Example:  hostname=192.168.0.1
kmo	Key Name	Specifies the Key Name of the Key Material Object containing the keys and certificate used for SSL.  Example:  kmo='remote driver cert'
port	TCP port number	Specifies the port on which the remote loader will accept connections from the remote interface shim.  Example:  port=8090

An example of communication parameters is: hostname=192.168.0.1 port=8090 kmo=remotecert

## Install the remote loader on the remote machine

1. Using the DirXML 2.0 CD, install the remote loader on the target machine.
2. Copy the .so file or the .jar file containing the DirXML application shim onto the target machine.
3. Place .jar files in the dirxml/classes directory under the lib directory (e.g., \$DXML\_PATH/dirxml/classes).

## Configure the remote loader

1. Create a configuration file specifying the shim module or class name, the command port, connection string, and any desired trace level. For example, create a file named config.txt with the following lines:

```
-commandport 8000
-connection "port=8090 rootfile=/dirxmlremote/root.pem"
-module $DXML_HOME/dirxmlremote/libcskeldrv.so.0.0.0
-trace 3
```

2. Set the loader and driver object passwords using the -setpasswords option. For example:

```
dirxml_remote -config config.txt -setpasswords rumple1 stiltskin2
```

## Run the remote loader

1. Start the remote loader. For example:

```
dirxml_remote -config config.txt
```

2. Start the remote interface shim using iManager.
3. Confirm that the remote loader is operating properly.
4. Stop the remote loader. For example:

```
dirxml_remote -config config.txt -u
```

5. Install the remote loader as a Win32 service. For example:

```
dirxml_remote -config config.txt -service install
```

