

How to Perform a System Shutdown on Unixware Server

It is recommended that a weekly “system shutdown and reboot” be performed to keep your system running at its optimal level.

Shutting down the system and rebooting usually takes five to ten minutes.

All users should log off the system, if possible, prior to the system shutdown. If a user remains logged on when the system shutdown is started, the processes for that user will be killed.

1. Shutdowns **must** be performed from the **System Console**. The System Console has "virtual terminals" or "windows." Press **CTRL Alt F2** to go to virtual terminal (window) #2 on the System Console. If you are currently logged on as a Tag-n-Trak user, go to the Main Menu and log off by pressing 8 to “Exit to Operating System.”
2. Log in (using window 2) with the Login ID “**menu.**”
3. Enter menu’s password. You will be prompted to enter the password a second time.
4. At the Unix Administration Menu, select “**System Shutdown.**”
5. If prompted to enter the number of seconds to wait before beginning the shutdown, enter the number 0 (zero).
6. Watch the messages that appear on the screen. You will be prompted to ‘**Press any key to reboot the system.**’ At this prompt, do ONE of the following:
 - (A) If your company is a Single Store and you have not been experiencing system problems or system "slowdowns," simply **press any key** to reboot your system. **Note:** Occasionally, rather than pressing any key to reboot, "power off" your system for two minutes and then power back on to reboot. Do this at least twice a year.
 - (B) If your company has multiple stores and the remote stores are connected to the main store, "power off" your system when prompted to "press any key..." Leave the system off for two minutes and then power back on.
7. Various screen messages will display while the system boots up.
8. The system is “ready” when the “Graphical User Interface” box displays. This occurs in virtual terminal (window) #1. Though there is a login prompt displayed in the Graphical User Interface box, do NOT attempt to log in.
9. Press **CTRL ALT F2** to switch to window 2 on the console. A Login prompt should display in window 2. The Num Lock light will be OFF when you switch to window 2. Press the "Num Lock" key so that the Num Lock light is ON (enabling the numeric keypad). At this point, you should be able to log in using window 2.
10. All terminals and PC’s connected to your Unix server should have login prompts. All other users may log in.