

**NAME**

iptables-save — dump iptables rules to stdout

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**SYNOPSIS**

**iptables-save** [-M *modprobe*] [-c] [-t *table*]

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**DESCRIPTION**

**iptables-save** and **ip6tables-save** are used to dump the contents of IP or IPv6 Table in easily parseable format to STDOUT. Use I/O-redirectation provided by your shell to write to a file.

**-M** *modprobe\_program*

Specify the path to the modprobe program. By default, iptables-save will inspect /proc/sys/kernel/modprobe to determine the executable's path.

**-c, --counters**

include the current values of all packet and byte counters in the output

**-t, --table** *tablename*

restrict output to only one table. If not specified, output includes all available tables.

**BUGS**

None known as of iptables-1.2.1 release

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**SEE ALSO**

[iptables-apply\(8\)](#), [iptables-restore\(8\)](#), [iptables\(8\)](#)

The iptables-HOWTO, which details more iptables usage, the NAT-HOWTO, which details NAT, and the netfilter-hacking-HOWTO which details the internals.