

# How to Install WordPress CLI

## What is WP-CLI?

WP-CLI is a set of command-line tools for managing WordPress installations. You can update plugins, configure multi-site installs and much more, without using a web browser.

```
curl -O https://raw.githubusercontent.com/wp-cli/wp-cli/master/wp-cli.phar
chmod +x wp-cli.phar
sudo mv wp-cli.phar /usr/local/bin/wp
```

If you are using CageFS, you will need the below steps:

```
echo -en '[WP-CLI]\ncomment=Allow WP-CLI to work on the server\npaths=/usr/local/bin/wp\n' > /etc/cagefs/conf.d/wpcli.cfg
cagefsctl --update
```

Once the above steps have finished without any errors, the command line can be accessed by typing **wp** in your directory that WordPress is installed to.

## Installing and activating plugins via WP-CLI

```
$wp plugin install rest-api --activate #install and activate the plugin test-api
Installing WordPress REST API (Version 2) (2.0-beta13)
Downloading install package from https://downloads.wordpress.org/plugin/rest-api.2.0-beta13.zip...
Unpacking the package...
Installing the plugin...
Plugin installed successfully.
Activating 'rest-api'...
Success: Plugin 'rest-api' activated.
```

## Below are some commonly used commands:

```
# Install the development version from wordpress.org
$ wp plugin install bbpress --version=dev

# Install from a local zip file
$ wp plugin install path_to_the_plugin.zip

# Install from a remote zip file
$ wp plugin install remote_path

#List all installed plugins
$ wp plugin list

#Getting help of any command
$ wp help cli/plugin
```