

Remove LetsEncrypt Certbot in Order to Properly Re-Install Certbot

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$ certbot --version
certbot 1.21.0
user@svr1:~$ sudo certbot --apache
Saving debug log to /var/log/letsencrypt/letsencrypt.log
The requested apache plugin does not appear to be installed
user@svr1:~$ sudo certbot delete
Saving debug log to /var/log/letsencrypt/letsencrypt.log
No existing certificates found.
Ask for help or search for solutions at https://community.letsencrypt.org.
See the logfile /var/log/letsencrypt/letsencrypt.log or re-run Certbot with
-v for more details.
user@svr1:~$ sudo apt purge python-certbot-apache
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
E: Unable to locate package python-certbot-apache
user@svr1:~$ sudo a2dissite 000-default-le-ssl.conf
ERROR: Site 000-default-le-ssl does not exist!
user@svr1:~$ sudo apt update
Hit:1 http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy InRelease
Get:2 http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates InRelease [119 kB]
Get:3 http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-backports InRelease [108 kB]
Get:4 http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-security InRelease [110 kB]
Get:5 http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates/main amd64 Packages
[724 kB]
Get:6 http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates/restricted amd64
Packages [418 kB]
Get:7 http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates/universe amd64
Packages [932 kB]
Fetched 2,410 kB in 1s (1,689 kB/s)
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
All packages are up to date.
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Next

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user@svr1:~$ sudo apt remove certbot
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Results

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Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
The following packages were automatically installed and are no longer
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required:

python3-acme python3-certbot python3-configargparse python3-icu python3-josepy

python3-parsedatetime python3-requests-toolbelt python3-rfc3339 python3-zope.component

python3-zope.event python3-zope.hookable

Use 'sudo apt autoremove' to remove them.

The following packages will be REMOVED:

certbot

0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 1 to remove and 0 not upgraded.

After this operation, 63.5 kB disk space will be freed.

Do you want to continue? [Y/n] Y

(Reading database ... 83386 files and directories currently installed.)

Removing certbot (1.21.0-1build1) ...

Processing triggers for man-db (2.10.2-1) ...

Next

```
user@svr1:~$ sudo apt autoremove
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Results

Reading package lists... Done

Building dependency tree... Done

Reading state information... Done

The following packages will be REMOVED:

python3-acme python3-certbot python3-configargparse python3-icu python3-josepy

python3-parsedatetime python3-requests-toolbelt python3-rfc3339 python3-zope.component

python3-zope.event python3-zope.hookable

0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 11 to remove and 0 not upgraded.

After this operation, 4,852 kB disk space will be freed.

Do you want to continue? [Y/n] Y

(Reading database ... 83375 files and directories currently installed.)

Removing python3-certbot (1.21.0-1build1) ...

Removing python3-acme (1.21.0-1ubuntu0.1) ...

Removing python3-configargparse (1.5.3-1) ...

Removing python3-icu (2.8.1-0ubuntu2) ...

Removing python3-josepy (1.10.0-1) ...

Removing python3-parsedatetime (2.6-2) ...

Removing python3-requests-toolbelt (0.9.1-1) ...

Removing python3-rfc3339 (1.1-3) ...

Removing python3-zope.component (4.3.0-3) ...

Removing python3-zope.event (4.4-3) ...

Removing python3-zope.hookable (5.1.0-1build1) ...

Next

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user@svr1:~$ sudo systemctl restart apache2
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user@svr1:~$ sudo systemctl status apache2
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Results

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● apache2.service - The Apache HTTP Server
   Loaded: loaded (/lib/systemd/system/apache2.service; enabled; vendor
  preset: enabled)
   Active: active (running) since Thu 2023-06-22 14:43:31 UTC; 9s ago
     Docs: https://httpd.apache.org/docs/2.4/
   Process: 9988 ExecStart=/usr/sbin/apachectl start (code=exited,
status=0/SUCCESS)
  Main PID: 9992 (apache2)
    Tasks: 6 (limit: 19013)
   Memory: 14.8M
      CPU: 55ms
   CGroup: /system.slice/apache2.service
           └─9992 /usr/sbin/apache2 -k start
             └─9993 /usr/sbin/apache2 -k start
               └─9994 /usr/sbin/apache2 -k start
                 └─9995 /usr/sbin/apache2 -k start
                   └─9996 /usr/sbin/apache2 -k start
                     └─9997 /usr/sbin/apache2 -k start
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Jun 22 14:43:31 svr1 systemd[1]: Starting The Apache HTTP Server...
Jun 22 14:43:31 svr1 apachectl[9991]: AH00558: apache2: Could not reliably
determine the server's full>Jun 22 14:43:31 svr1 systemd[1]: Started The
Apache HTTP Server.
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Now you can PROPERLY reinstall certbot.

[Install LetsEncrypt Certbot Apache2 on Ubuntu Server 22.04](#)

From: <https://www.installconfig.com/> - **Install Config Wiki**

Permanent link: https://www.installconfig.com/doku.php?id=remove_letsencrypt_certbot_re_install&rev=1687448742

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