

SSH

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Force Client to Use Password Authentication

Key authentication should *always* be setup, but sometimes it is necessary to authenticate using passwords—even if for nothing else than to verify passwords are disabled.

```
ssh -o PreferredAuthentications=password -o PubkeyAuthentication=no user@domain.com
```

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Connect Without StrictHostKeyChecking (known_hosts)

Connects to a host without validating the host key using `~/.ssh/known_hosts` or adding the key to that file.

```
ssh -o "StrictHostKeyChecking no" user@host
```