Web Console Tour & Preliminary Setup

This article covers the Proxmox web interface, the primary tool for managing your server, VMs, and containers. Also, best practices for first login.

Post-Install Configuration (Highly Recommended)

Disable the Enterprise Repository (No Subscription)

1. In the web console, select your node (e.g., 'pve') in the left panel
2. Go to: Updates > Repositories
3. Select the enterprise repository line (pve-enterprise) and click Disable
4. Click Add and select 'No-Subscription' repository
5. Update the System

```
apt update && apt dist-upgrade -y
```

6. Reboot after updating

```
reboot
```

Navigating Web Interface

Left Panel — Server View

- Datacenter — top-level settings (cluster, permissions, storage, etc.)
- Your Node (e.g., 'pve') — the physical server
- Virtual Machines and Containers appear as children under the node

Node Options (click your node)

- Summary — CPU, memory, disk, and network stats
- Notes — add documentation/notes about your server
- Shell — opens a terminal session on the Proxmox host
- Updates — check and apply system updates
- Disks — view physical disks and manage LVM/ZFS
- Network — view and configure network interfaces and bridges
- DNS — configure DNS settings
- Time — configure time zone and NTP
- Syslog — view system logs
- Task History — see all past tasks and their results

Datacenter Options

- Summary — overall cluster status
- Storage — add and manage storage backends
- Backup — schedule automatic backups
- Replication — configure storage replication
- Permissions — manage users, roles, and access controls
- HA — high availability configuration
- Firewall — datacenter-level firewall rules

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