

Accessing the Terminal

Use the browser-based terminal for command-line tasks on your hosting account.

DirectAdmin offers a web terminal for accounts with shell access, letting you run commands without a separate SSH client.

Open the terminal

1. Go to **System Info & Files** → **Terminal** (or SSH Access).
2. If prompted, confirm you understand shell access responsibilities.
3. A command prompt opens in your browser session.

Common commands

- `ls -la` — list files with details
- `cd domains/example.com/public_html` — change directory
- `php artisan migrate` — run framework commands
- `composer install` — install PHP dependencies

Terminal access is available on plans that include SSH. Use caution — incorrect commands can delete data. For external access, connect with an SSH client using the same credentials and SSH keys.
