

# Disable a repo

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## Introduction

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repo files, in CentOS are located in `/etc/yum.repo.d/`. These files hold information (URLs) about where repositories are for CentOS programs (tcpdump, htop, nload etc.)

Each repo has its own file, [CentOS-Base.repo](#), [epel-release.repo](#) etc.

Occasionally we might want to ignore or remove a repo file, in this example there is a repo file called [cdrom.repo](#) that I need to ignore/delete.

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To temporarily ignore a repo, we can use the following syntax:

```
sudo yum disablerepo=cdrom install yum-utils -y
```

This is two commands combined. `sudo yum install yum-utils -y` and `yum disablerepo=cdrom`.

This allows us to install [yum-utils](#) while telling CentOS to ignore repositories listed in the [cdrom.repo](#) file.

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If we wish to disable a repo permanently then we can use the following syntax:

```
sudo yum-config-manager --disable cdrom
```

This will tell `yum-config-manager` to disable the repo file `cdrom` (note we do not require the `.repo` extension)

For this to work the `yum-config-manager` must have been installed (`yum install yum-config-manager`).

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