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Subject: WIKI - Shared webhosting - problem with mysql socket

Posted by [tauren](#) on Wed, 14 Nov 2007 07:15:50 GMT

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I have a VE running only MySQL. I've shared the mysql.socket file with another VE that is running a web server by following the instructions at: [http://wiki.openvz.org/Shared\\_webhosting](http://wiki.openvz.org/Shared_webhosting)

Everything works nicely. I can run the standard mysql client in the webserver VE and connect to the mysql VE. It appears to the webserver VE that mysql is running on localhost.

However, if mysql is restarted, then I get this error when trying to connect from the webserver VE:

```
ERROR 2002 (HY000): Can't connect to local MySQL server through socket
'/var/lib/mysql/mysql.sock' (111)
```

If I go and recreate the link to mysql.sock, then it works again.

Any idea how I can get around this? I don't want to manually have to recreate this link for every VE each time mysql is restarted. And since the restart is in a VE, I don't know how I would automate it either to make the changes in host.

Is this the expected behavior? From the wiki page, it seems like there shouldn't be an issue. But maybe the author hadn't tested this scenario.

Thanks!  
Tauren

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Subject: Re: WIKI - Shared webhosting - problem with mysql socket

Posted by [curx](#) on Thu, 15 Nov 2007 06:56:29 GMT

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Posted by [tauren](#) on Thu, 15 Nov 2007 08:32:41 GMT

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Thanks, that helps for VE startup/shutdown. But the hard link is lost even if mysql is restarted within the mysql VE. A "service mysqld restart" removes the mysql.sock and creates a new one, thus losing the hard link.

As ToyKeeper suggested on freenode #openvz, a cron job could run every minute to see if the mysql.sock file has changed. If it has, then all hard links could be recreated. But that is more of a hack than a real solution. It may have to do though, as I haven't come up with a real solution yet. If there are any ideas, I'm all ears.

BTW, I updated the WIKI to mention this behavior.

Tauren

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Posted by [curx](#) on Thu, 15 Nov 2007 12:10:44 GMT

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\* maybe start a non-sshd-port sshd (port 22!) daemon on VE0, with sshd\_option "PermitRootLogin forced-commands-only"

and a ssh connection like:

```
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/var/lib/vz/root/<VEID_mysql>/var/run/mysql/mysql.sock
/var/lib/vz/root/<VEID_NON_mysql>/var/run/mysql/mysql.sock'
```

2) setup a shared folder with mount -o bind ...

3) setup mysqld with connection settings and limit the IP, which can connect to mysqld with iptables or tcpd-wrapper

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Posted by [tauren](#) on Fri, 16 Nov 2007 01:58:11 GMT

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Thanks curx,

Those are some great ideas. I have created a script to relink the sockets. It can be run manually or via a cron job. I've added it to the wiki if anyone is interested:

[http://wiki.openvz.org/Shared\\_webhosting](http://wiki.openvz.org/Shared_webhosting)

Thanks again,  
Tauren

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It can't be any simpler than this.

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