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Subject: Specyfiing a mac address for vz interface  
Posted by [galik79](#) on Fri, 11 Nov 2005 22:01:17 GMT  
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is tehre any way I can specify a MAC address for virtual interace ?  
My network administrator needs a valid MAC address, to allow traffic on firewall

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galik, VPS virtual interface doesn't have MAC, since it doesn't send packets to the network directly. Instead all it's packets are routed to the real eth device, so packets are send to network with a MAC of your host node eth device.

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yeah, i bumped into that topic when creating ipip tunnel on another box, but had hope, i missed something.

So if i want 2 external ip`s - 1 for underlying fedora, and 1 for openVZ, i should use 2 NIC`s with 2 different IP`s configured on them ? And use for connection with fedora, and second with VZ ?

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No, you don't need another NIC. Think of your OpenVZ host system as a router with a network segment of VPSs behind it. While each VPS have a distinct IP address, they all are routed via host system, thus the only MAC address visible from the outside is the on of the host system.

Still, with OpenVZ you can add another NIC and dedicate it for a VPS if you do really need it (but in most of the cases you don't).

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