

# ovsappctl Commands

**ovsappctl** is a utility for querying and controlling the Open vSwitch daemon.

User can view the **ovs-appctl** help for more information about the utility.

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admin@Leaf1$ovs-appctl --help
ovs-appctl, for querying and controlling Open vSwitch daemon
usage: ovs-appctl [TARGET] COMMAND [ARG...]
Targets:
  -t, --target=TARGET  pidfile or socket to contact
Common commands:
  help                List commands supported by the target
  version             Print version of the target
  vlog/list           List current logging levels
  vlog/set [SPEC]    Set log levels as detailed in SPEC, which may include:
                    A valid module name (all modules, by default)
                    'syslog', 'console', 'file' (all facilities, by default)
                    'off', 'emer', 'err', 'warn', 'info', or 'dbg' ('dbg', bydefault)
  vlog/reopen        Make the program reopen its log file
Other options:
  --timeout=SECS    wait at most SECS seconds for a response
  -h, --help        Print this helpful information
  -V, --version     Display ovs-appctl version information
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User may also view the [ovs-appctl manual page](#) for detailed syntax and additional information.

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admin@Leaf1$man ovs-appctl
ovs-appctl(8)          Open vSwitch Manual          ovs-appctl(8)
NAME
  ovs-appctl - utility for configuring running Open vSwitch daemons
SYNOPSIS
  ovs-appctl [--target=target | -t target] command [arg...]
  ovs-appctl --help
  ovs-appctl --version
DESCRIPTION
  Open vSwitch daemons accept certain commands at runtime to control
  their behavior and query their settings. Every daemon accepts a common
  set of commands documented under COMMON COMMANDS below. Some daemons
  support additional commands documented in their own manpages.
  ovs-vswitchd in particular accepts a number of additional commands doc-
  umented in ovs-vswitchd(8).
  The ovs-appctl program provides a simple way to invoke these commands.
  The command to be sent is specified on ovs-appctl's command line as
  non-option arguments. ovs-appctl sends the command and prints the dae-
  mon's response on standard output.
<Some output omitted>
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- [ovs-appctl Common Commands](#)
- [ovs-appctl Target Commands](#)