

Re: how to exclude the packages in dist-upgrade

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Hi all,

I tried on the apt-get manual. But could not get to my requirement. I have some of the packages in my deb box which i do not want to upgrade/remove/uninstall during an apt-get dist-upgrade. How do i specify the exclude list ?

thanks

Someone, sorry I forget who, on this list posted the a few years ago. It's what I use.

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~# less bin/dhold
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#!/bin/sh
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PRG=`basename $0`
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if [ `id -u` != 0 ] ; then  
echo "you're not root, go away."  
exit 1  
elif [ $# != 1 ] ; then  
echo "Usage: $PRG <packagename>"  
exit 1  
else  
echo $1 hold | dpkg --set-selections  
fi  
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So in your case, as root:

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~# dhold apt-howto
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