

Re: Apache Upgrade

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RPM is relatively easy to use.

`rpm -Uvh httpd-X.X.xx` updates an already existing installation from RPM or installs if not there.

The source code route is more complicated, but you stay up with security and bug reports better.

I usually move `/usr/local/apache2` to `/usr/local/apache2.X.X.xx` where `X.X.xx` is the previous version, install apache from source, then move the web sites back. It causes slight downtime, but it's safer for your web sites. I've never seen an installation corrupt websites and there is no reason to believe that this will change, but I also believe in data safety and not having thousands of calls to my office (-:

1. download `httpd-X.X.xx` from <http://httpd.apache.org/dist> into `/download` (or whatever)
2. `cd /usr/local/src`
3. `tar -xzf /download/httpd-X.X.xx`
4. `cd httpd-X.X.xx`
5. `./configure --enable-modules=most --with-ssl`
use `--with-ssl` if you wish to do https
6. `make;make install`

TEST, TEST, TEST

If you moved your web sites out of the `apache2` directory, you can place them back in, as well as the `httpd.conf` and `ssl.conf` files into the `/usr/local/apache2/conf` directory.

If I have questions, I refer to Wrox Publishing's *Apache 2.0* written by Peter Wainwright (no this is not a paid advertisement, only an opinion of a good book). I would recommend this book to anyone new or pro in the Apache world.

Apologies for the long-windedness. HIH!

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