

# Re: Configuring hostname, domainname, and IP address

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On 02/01/04 14:01, after a futile battle with the keyboard, Baho Utot wrote ...

> *linuxquestion@yahoo.com* wrote:

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>> *cat /etc/hosts*

>> *# Do not remove the following line, or various programs*

>> *# that require network functionality will fail.*

>> *127.0.0.1 red red.testrac.com localhost.localdomain*

localhost

>> *10.0.0.1 red red.testrac.com*

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> *The format is FQDN followed by aliases*

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> *This is what it should read instead*

> *127.0.0.1 red.testrac.com red localhost.localdomain localhost*

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> *where ---- is the fully qualified domainname and ++++ are aliases*

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I am running like this: not declaring my eth0 address in hosts at all (see the comment why). Dunno if the reasoning is correct, but everything works this way.

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cat /etc/hosts
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# Do not remove the following line, or various programs
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# that require network functionality will fail.
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127.0.0.1 localhost.localdomain localhost lefty9
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# Notes 14 November 2003 - DT
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# Define lefty9 in localhost so gnome runs more quickly
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# through the loopback interface.
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# The following makes sendmail and sm-client start slowly
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#192.168.0.1 lefty9 # lefty running Redhat 9
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Best regards,

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