## Completely missing FSTAB

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I recently found out that one of our servers has lost (probably someone deleted it) the /etc/fstab file, it's a Fedora Core 6.

Is there anything we can do to rebuild the fstab without a copy?

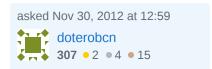


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If system is still running you can get a copy of fstab from file /proc/mounts.

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1 Note that /proc/mounts is not an exact copy of /etc/fstab as it usually contains more entries and more detailed options. – scai Nov 30, 2012 at 13:14

@user2391 sadly /proc/mounts is empty, and now i can only access this machine in repair mode, it's a VPS, and the error i'm getting is: /bin/cp: cannot create regular file `/etc/sysconfig/network.8175': Disk quota exceeded ERROR: Can't copy file /etc/sysconfig/network VE is unmounted VE start failed .

- doterobcn Nov 30, 2012 at 13:53

@doterobcn If system was shutdown after losing fstab you will likely have to manually mount root partition, create new fstab, than try and mount disk partitions form /dev and add entries to fstab. Alternatively you can read partition tables using fdisk. You can copy entries for tmpfs, procfs, sysfs, devpts from other fedora machine. – Nemanja Nov 30, 2012 at 14:08

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