

# How do I forward TCP port 80 to web server (using nginx)?

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I am following [this tutorial](#) and I made the server work in the local network. Now I want to open to the internet. The tutorial does not go into details, except saying that "you need to forward TCP port 80 to your Web server". I did some research to understand what this means, but could not find a good step by step instructions. Can you direct me to any material that I can read to set up the server for the internet?



## EDIT

As instructed [here](#) I connected to the router with `192.168.1.1` and opened the Port Forwarding/Port Triggering tab and I entered the following information:

- Service Name HTTP
- Start Port: 80
- End Port: 80
- Server IP Address: ServerIPAddress

Is this correct?

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edited Dec 14, 2013 at 16:57

asked Dec 14, 2013 at 14:56



[Zeynel](#)


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Means that you have to forward http request from publicIP:80 to privateIP:80. This can be done with proxies, firewalls. Are we talking about a home network or a corporate network ? – [user2196728](#) Dec 14, 2013 at 15:02 ✎


@user2196728 this is a home network – [Zeynel](#) Dec 14, 2013 at 15:09

- 1 So you certainly have a box which provides you Internet access. Login to your box and search for a feature like routing/port-forwarding config. Sorry, as i am french i cannot be more precise because i don't know which boxes types are available elsewhere in the world. But let's try : what is your box or how do you access to Internet ? – [user2196728](#) Dec 14, 2013 at 15:15 ✎

@user2196728 Thanks. I have cable for internet access. Is this what you mean? I am not sure how I log to the "box". Where is the box? – [Zeynel](#) Dec 14, 2013 at 15:38

- 1 It depends, do you have a home Wifi where your phone was connected to or were you connected to an operator network (3G) ? Send me (private if you prefer) your url, i will test it – [user2196728](#) Dec 14, 2013 at 18:59 

## 1 Answer

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That means that you have to forward http request coming to your public\_ip:80 to your private\_ip:80.

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This is usually done with proxies or firewalls.



As we are talking about home network here, i think you have a home box/router that provides you internet access.



So you have to login to your box/router and search for a feature like routing/port-forwarding configuration settings. Then configure it to forward port 80 to your web server private ip on port 80.



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answered Dec 14, 2013 at 17:10



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If you are having a similar problem see also this answer for more information

[serverfault.com/questions/561488/...](http://serverfault.com/questions/561488/...) – [Zeynel](#) Dec 15, 2013 at 17:18 

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