

## Network Services

# Mount a directory automatically

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A computer usually imports a remote directory when it starts up.

To reduce network overhead, you can choose to mount the directory automatically only when the user opens it.

You can change this option at any time.

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### 1 Log in as root on the computer you want to change.

If you don't log in as **root**, you can enter the **root** password if the User Authentication panel appears.

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### 2 Double-click NFSManager in /NextAdmin.

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### 3 Select the directory you want to change at the top of the Imported Directories window

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If this window isn't open, choose Import To from the NFSManager menu, select a domain, and click OK.

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### 4 Type /Net as the pathname for the mount point.

The *mount point* is the local directory where the connection is made to the remote directory. If you specify **/Net** as the mount point, the computer doesn't mount the directory until the user chooses a directory in the **/Net** directory.

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### 5 Click OK.

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This option applies the next time the computer starts up.

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### How to

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**Change mount options**