

Setting a permanent hostname on a Mac computer with DHCP

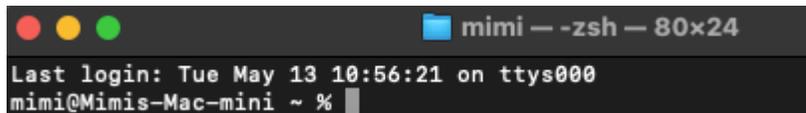
The following is a procedure of how to set a permanent hostname on a Mac that uses DHCP (for example one that is connected directly to a cable or DSL modem).

A permanent hostname ensures that Smoke can properly connect to the media storage.

To set a permanent host name

Perform the following tasks to set a permanent hostname:

1. Open System Preferences, and then click **Sharing**.
2. In the Computer Name field, you will see a value. Take note of it. You will need it later.
3. Click **Edit**, and then clear the Use Dynamic Global Hostname check box.
4. Go to the Applications | Utilities folder, and open the Terminal.
5. Look at the value the prompt displays (pictured).

A screenshot of a macOS Terminal window. The title bar shows three colored window control buttons (red, yellow, green) on the left, followed by a blue square icon and the text "mimi - zsh - 80x24". The terminal content shows "Last login: Tue May 13 10:56:21 on ttys000" and the prompt "mimi@Mimis-Mac-mini ~ %" with a cursor.

6. Ensure that the name is identical with the one in the Computer Name field you saw in Step 2.
7. If the values are not identical, type the following command that sets the hostname.

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sudo scutil --set HostName <new hostname>
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8. Replace <new hostname> with the name in the Computer Name field. Do not use spaces or apostrophes.
9. When prompted, enter your password, and then restart.