

Re: RE: Portage tree

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> *You'll probably need to use cvsup to do this. If you don't*
> *have it installed in your system you can install it from*
> *the ports.*

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> *As root do :*

> *# cd /usr/ports/net/cvsup-without-gui/*

> *# make install clean && rehash*

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> *then you can view and edit this file to give you an*
> *overview of what you need to do.*

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> *# more /usr/share/examples/cvsup/ports-supfile*

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> *then after that you can copy it to anywhere you want and*
> *edit it in my case I usually put it in tmp but you can put*
> *the config file where ever you wish.*

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> *# cp /usr/share/examples/cvsup/ports-supfile*

> */tmp/ports-sup*

> *# cd /tmp && cvsup -g -L 2 ports-sup*

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> *This is what you need for the cvsup file.. just edit the*
> *"*default host=" to which ever cvsup mirror is closer to*
> *your location*

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> *example :*

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> # Ports update sup file..
> *default host=cvsup1.us.freebsd.org
> *default base=/usr
> *default prefix=/usr
> *default release=cvs tag=.
> *default delete use-rel-suffix
> *default compress
> ports-all
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> hope this helps...
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>
> btw Welcome to the FreeBSD World!!!
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You can actually update the ports tree in 3 ways I've found and I used them all at different stages of my FreeBSD Experience. The first way I found maybe a little strange but I did it from /stand/sysinstall. Before I started I deleted the ports tree. I then ran /stand/sysinstall and the media option to FTP. I then went into configure then distributions. From there I can select ports. A new tree is built after the FTP is completed. This method isn't advanced or anything but it's the way I did it at first.

Second way I found was to FTP to the ftp.freebsd.org and poke around. I never remembered the correct path but eventually I found ports.tgz file. I was able to get that file then delete the old tree and then untar the file and bang once again new ports tree.

The last and the current method I use is the CVSup process as described above. This is the most advanced IMHO and it has the advantage of being cronable (is that a word? The ability to be placed in to a cron and done automatically). The best part about that is you spend less time actually playing with the computer and more time using the computer. And adding ports.

I hope that someone finds this post helpful.
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