

Interface Access and System Information

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Overview

This chapter describes how to:

- View and modify the configuration for switch interface access
- Use the CLI **kill** command to terminate a remote session
- View and modify switch system information

For help on how to actually use the interfaces built into the switch, refer to:

- Chapter 3, “Using the Menu Interface”
- Chapter 4, “Using the Command Line Interface (CLI)”
- Chapter 5, “Using the Web Browser Interface”

Why Configure Interface Access and System Information? The interface access features in the switch operate properly by default. However, you can modify or disable access features to suit your particular needs. Similarly, you can choose to leave the system information parameters at their default settings. However, modifying these parameters can help you to more easily distinguish one device from another in your network.

Interface Access: Console/Serial Link, Web, and Inbound Telnet

Interface Access Features

Feature	Default	Menu	CLI	Web
Inactivity Time	0 Minutes (disabled)	page 7-4	page 7-6	—
Inbound Telnet Access	Enabled	page 7-4	page 7-5	—
Outbound Telnet Access	n/a	—	page 7-6	—
Web Browser Interface Access	Enabled	page 7-4	page 7-6	—
Terminal type	VT-100	—	page 7-6	—
Event Log event types to list (Displayed Events)	All	—	page 7-6	—
Baud Rate	Speed Sense	—	page 7-6	—
Flow Control	XON/XOFF	—	page 7-6	—

In most cases, the default configuration is acceptable for standard operation.

Note

Basic switch security is through passwords. You can gain additional security by using the security features described in the Access Security Guide for your switch. You can also simply block unauthorized access via the web browser interface or Telnet (as described in this section) and installing the switch in a locked environment.

Menu: Modifying the Interface Access

The menu interface enables you to modify these parameters:

- Inactivity Timeout
- Inbound Telnet Enabled
- Web Agent Enabled

To Access the Interface Access Parameters:

1. From the Main Menu, Select...

2. Switch Configuration...

1. System Information

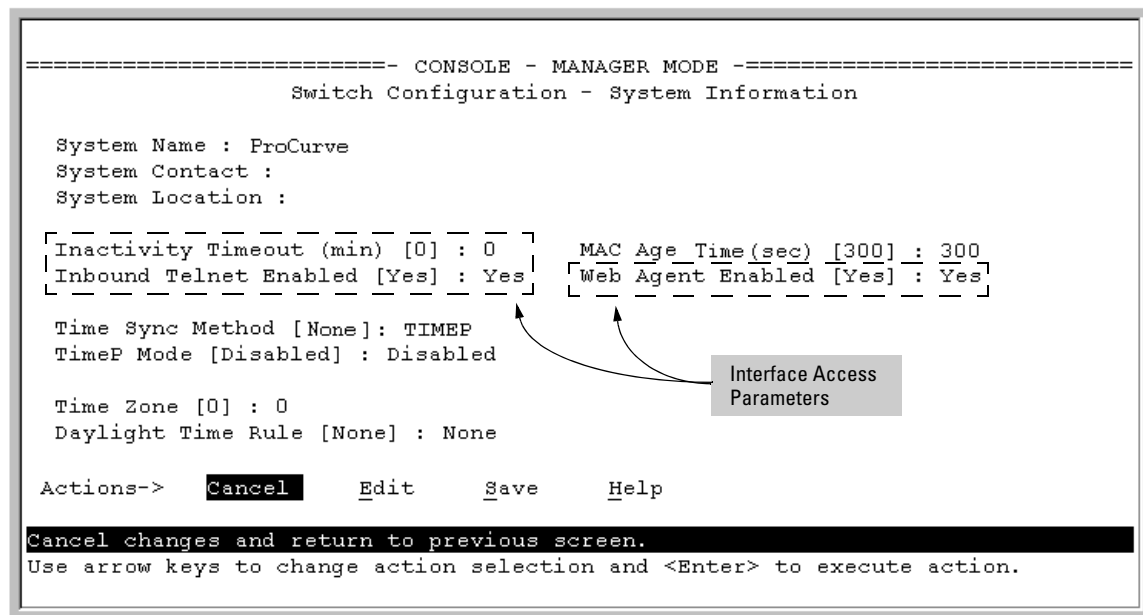


Figure 7-1. The Default Interface Access Parameters Available in the Menu Interface

2. Press [E] (for Edit). The cursor moves to the **System Name** field.
3. Use the arrow keys (J, U, L, R) to move to the parameters you want to change.

Refer to the online help provided with this screen for further information on configuration options for these features.

4. When you have finished making changes to the above parameters, press [Enter], then press [S] (for Save).

CLI: Modifying the Interface Access

Interface Access Commands Used in This Section

show console	below
[no] telnet-server	below
[no] web-management	page 7-6
console	page 7-6

Listing the Current Console/Serial Link Configuration. This command lists the current interface access parameter settings.

Syntax: show console

This example shows the switch's default console/serial configuration.

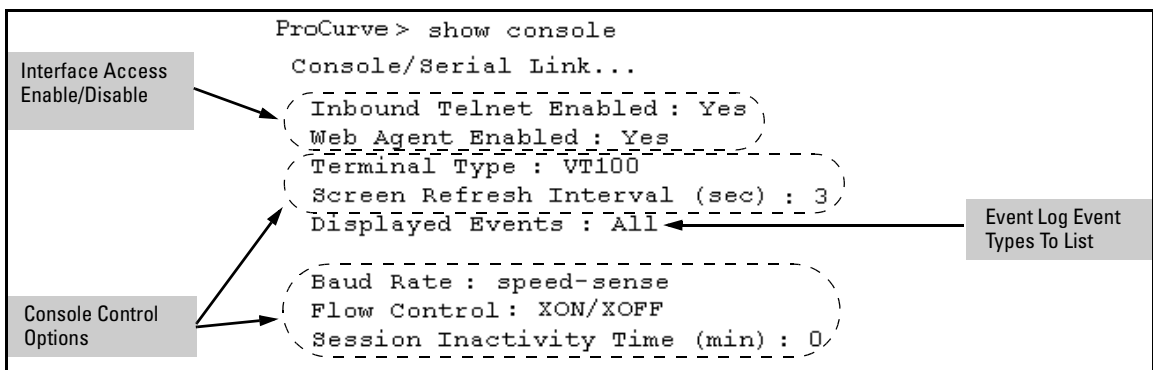


Figure 7-2. Listing of Show Console Command

Reconfigure Inbound Telnet Access. In the default configuration, inbound Telnet access is enabled.

Syntax: [no] telnet-server

To disable inbound Telnet access:

```
ProCurve(config)# no telnet-server
```

To re-enable inbound Telnet access:

```
ProCurve(config)# telnet-server
```

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Outbound Telnet to Another Device. This feature operates independently of the telnet-server status and enables you to Telnet to another device that has an IP address.

Syntax: telnet < ip-address >

For example:

```
ProCurve # telnet 10.28.27.204
```

Reconfigure Web Browser Access. In the default configuration, web browser access is enabled.

Syntax: [no] web-management

To disable web browser access:

```
ProCurve(config)# no web-management
```

To re-enable web browser access:

```
ProCurve(config)# web-management
```

Reconfigure the Console/Serial Link Settings. You can reconfigure one or more console parameters with one console command.

Syntax: console

[terminal < vt100 | ansi | none >]

[screen-refresh < 1 | 3 | 5 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 45 | 60 >]

[baud-rate

< speed-sense | 1200 | 2400 | 4800 | 9600 | 19200 | 38400 | 57600 |
1155200 >]

[flow-control < xon/xoff | none >]

[inactivity-timer < 0 | 1 | 5 | 10 | 15 | 20 | 30 | 60 | 120 >]

[events < none | all | non-info | critical | debug]

[local-terminal < vt 100 | none | ansi >]

Note

If you change the Baud Rate or Flow Control settings for the switch, you should make the corresponding changes in your console access device. Otherwise, you may lose connectivity between the switch and your terminal emulator due to differences between the terminal and switch settings for these two parameters.

All console parameter changes except **events** require that you save the configuration with **write memory** and then execute **boot** before the new console configuration will take effect.

For example, to use one command to configure the switch with the following:

- VT100 operation
- 19,200 baud
- No flow control
- 10-minute inactivity time
- Critical log events

you would use the following command sequence:

```
ProCurve(config)# console terminal vt100 baud-rate 19200 flow-control none
inactivity-timer 10 events critical
Command will take effect after saving configuration and reboot.
ProCurve(config)# write memory
ProCurve(config)# reload
```

The switch implements the EventLog change immediately. The switch implements the other console changes after executing **write memory** and **reload**.

Figure 7-3. Example of Executing the Console Command with Multiple Parameters

You can also execute a series of console commands and then save the configuration and boot the switch. For example:

```
Configure the individual parameters.
Save the changes.
Boot the switch.

ProCurve(config)# console baud-rate speed-sense
Command will take effect after saving configuration and reboot

ProCurve(config)# console flow-control xon/xoff
Command will take effect after saving configuration and reboot

ProCurve(config)# console inactivity-timer 0
Command will take effect after saving configuration and reboot

ProCurve(config)# write memory
ProCurve(config)# reload
```

Figure 7-4. Example of Executing a Series of Console Commands

Denying Interface Access by Terminating Remote Management Sessions

The switch supports up to four management sessions. You can use **show ip ssh** to list the current management sessions, and **kill** to terminate a currently running remote session. (**Kill** does not terminate a Console session on the serial port, either through a direct connection or via a modem.)

Syntax: `kill [< session-number >]`

For example, if you are using the switch's serial port for a console session and want to terminate a currently active Telnet session, you would do the following:

```
ProCurve(config)# show ip ssh
SSH Enabled           : Yes
IP Port Number        : 22
Timeout (sec)         : 120
Server Key Size (bits) : 512
Ses Type      Source IP and Port
-----
1  console
2  telnet
3  ssh      15.30.252.195:1531
4  inactive

ProCurve(config)# kill 2
ProCurve(config)# show ip ssh
SSH Enabled           : Yes
IP Port Number        : 22
Timeout (sec)         : 120
Server Key Size (bits) : 512
Ses Type      Source IP and Port
-----
1  console
2  inactive
3  ssh      15.30.252.195:1531
4  inactive
```

Figure 7-5. Example of Using the “Kill” Command To Terminate a Remote Session

System Information

System Information Features

Feature	Default	Menu	CLI	Web
System Name	<i>switch product name</i>	page 7-10	page 7-12	page 7-14
System Contact	n/a	page 7-10	page 7-12	page 7-14
System Location	n/a	page 7-10	page 7-12	page 7-14
MAC Age Time	300 seconds	page 7-10	page 7-13	—
Time Sync Method	None	See Chapter 9, “Time Protocols”.		
Time Zone	0	page 7-10	page 7-13	—
Daylight Time Rule	None	page 7-10	page 7-13	—
Time	January 1, 1990 at 00:00:00 at last power reset	—	page 7-13	—

Configuring system information is optional, but recommended.

System Name: Using a unique name helps you to identify individual devices where you are using an SNMP network management tool such as ProCurve Manager.

System Contact and Location: This information is helpful for identifying the person administratively responsible for the switch and for identifying the locations of individual switches.

MAC Age Time: The number of seconds a MAC address the switch has learned remains in the switch’s address table before being aged out (deleted). Aging out occurs when there has been no traffic from the device belonging to that MAC address for the configured interval.

Time Sync Method: Selects the method (TimeP or SNTP) the switch will use for time synchronization. For more on this topic, refer to Chapter 9, “Time Protocols”.

Time Zone: The number of minutes your time zone location is to the West (+) or East (-) of Coordinated Universal Time (formerly GMT). The default 0 means no time zone is configured. For example, the time zone for Berlin, Germany is + 60 (minutes) and the time zone for Vancouver, Canada is - 480 (minutes).

Daylight Time Rule: Specifies the daylight savings time rule to apply for your location. The default is **None**. (For more on this topic, see appendix D, “Daylight Savings Time on ProCurve Switches.”)

Time: Used in the CLI to specify the time of day, the date, and other system parameters.

Menu: Viewing and Configuring System Information

To access the system information parameters:

1. From the Main Menu, Select...
 2. **Switch Configuration...**
 1. **System Information**

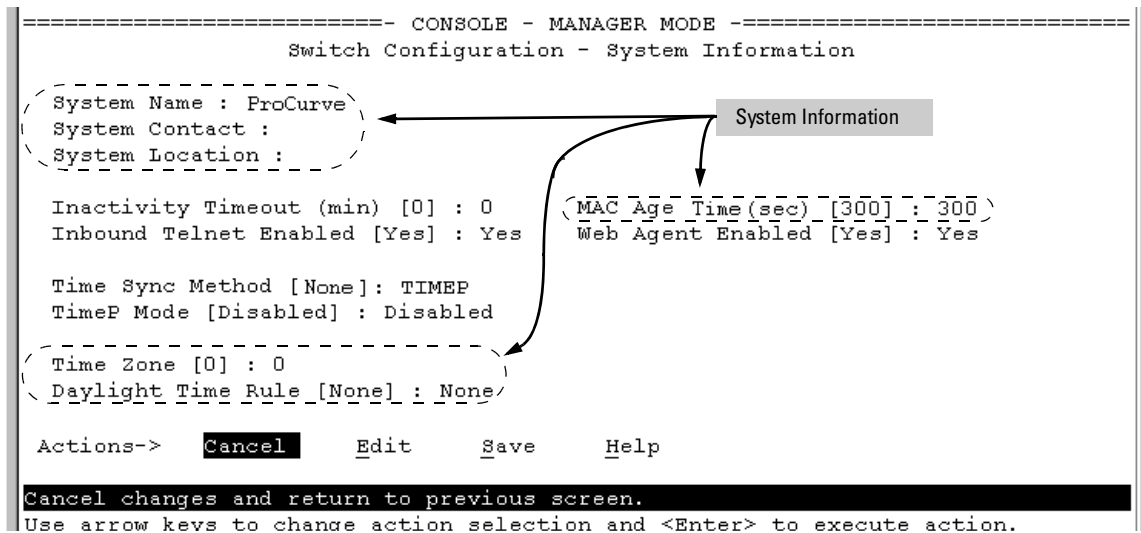


Figure 7-6. The System Information Configuration Screen (Default Values)

Note

To help simplify administration, it is recommended that you configure **System Name** to a character string that is meaningful within your system.

2. Press **[E]** (for **E**dit). The cursor moves to the **System Name** field.
3. Refer to the online help provided with this screen for further information on configuration options for these features.
4. When you have finished making changes to the above parameters, press **[Enter]**, then press **[S]** (for **S**ave) and return to the Main Menu.

CLI: Viewing and Configuring System Information

System Information Commands Used in This Section

show system-information	below
hostname	below
snmp-server [contact] [location]	below
mac-age-time	page 7-13
time	
timezone	page 7-13
daylight-time-rule	page 7-13
date	page 7-13
time	

Listing the Current System Information. This command lists the current system information settings.

Syntax: show system-information

This example shows the switch's default console configuration.

```
ProCurve > show system-information
Status and Counters - General System Information
System Name       : HPswitch
System Contact    :
System Location   :
MAC Age Time (sec) : 300
Time Zone         : 0
Daylight Time Rule : None
```

Figure 7-7. Example of CLI System Information Listing

Configure a System Name, Contact, and Location for the Switch. To help distinguish one switch from another, configure a plain-language identity for the switch.

Syntax: hostname < name-string >
snmp-server [contact <system-contact>] [location <system-location>]

Both fields allow up to 48 characters. *Blank spaces* are not allowed in the variables for these commands.

For example, to name the switch “Blue” with “Next-4474” as the system contact, and “North-Data-Room” as the location:

```
ProCurve(config)# hostname Blue
Blue(config)# snmp-server contact Ext-4474 location North-Data-Room
Blue(config)# show system-information

Status and Counters - General System Information
-----
System Name       : Blue
System Contact    : Ext-4474
System Location   : North-Data-Room
-----
MAC Age Time (sec) : 300

Time Zone         : 0
Daylight Time Rule : None

Firmware revision : E.08.30      Base MAC Addr   : 0001e7-a0ec00
ROM Version       : E.05.04      Serial Number   : S000394041

Up Time          : 14 mins      Memory - Total  : 25,038,312
CPU Util (%)     : 1            Free           : 20,087,448

IP Mgmt - Pkts Rx : 0          Packet - Total  : 832
          Pkts Tx : 0          Buffers Free   : 783
                                   Lowest            : 768

-- MORE --, next page: Space, next line: Enter, quit: Control-C
```

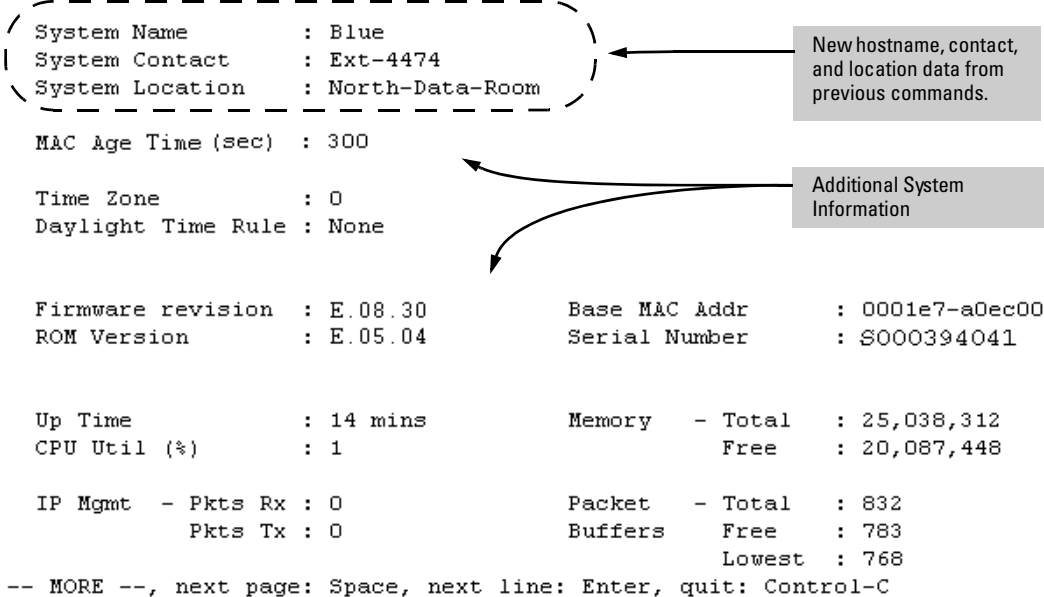


Figure 7-8. System Information Listing After Executing the Preceding Commands

Reconfigure the MAC Age Time for Learned MAC Addresses. This command corresponds to the MAC Age Interval in the menu interface, and is expressed in seconds.

Syntax: `mac-age-time < 10 - 1000000 > (seconds)`

For example, to configure the age time to seven minutes:

```
ProCurve(config)# mac-age-time 420
```

Configure the Time Zone and Daylight Time Rule. These commands:

- Set the time zone you want to use
- Define the daylight time rule for keeping the correct time when daylight-saving-time shifts occur.

Syntax: `time timezone < -720 - 840 >`
`time daylight-time-rule < none | alaska | continental-us-and-canada |`
`middle-europe-and-portugal | southern-hemisphere | western-europe |`
`user-defined>`

East of the 0 meridian, the sign is “+”. West of the 0 meridian, the sign is “-”.

For example, the time zone setting for Berlin, Germany is +60 (zone +1, or 60 minutes), and the time zone setting for Vancouver, Canada is -480 (zone -8, or -480 minutes). To configure the time zone and daylight time rule for Vancouver, Canada:

```
ProCurve(config)# time timezone -480  
daylight-time-rule continental-us-and-canada
```

Configure the Time and Date. The switch uses the time command to configure both the time of day and the date. Also, executing time without parameters lists the switch’s time of day and date. Note that the CLI uses a 24-hour clock scheme; that is, hour (*hh*) values from 1 p.m. to midnight are input as 13 - 24, respectively.

Syntax: `time [hh:mm [:ss]] [mm/dd/[yy] yy]`

For example, to set the switch to 9:45 a.m. on November 17, 2002:

```
ProCurve(config)# time 9:45 11/17/02
```

Note

Executing **reload** or **boot** resets the time and date to their default startup values.

Web: Configuring System Parameters

In the web browser interface, you can enter the following system information:

- System Name
- System Location
- System Contact

For access to the MAC Age Interval and the Time parameters, use the menu interface or the CLI.

Configure System Parameters in the Web Browser Interface.

1. Click on the **Configuration** tab.
2. Click on **[System Info]**.
3. Enter the data you want in the displayed fields.
4. Implement your new data by clicking on **[Apply Changes]**.

To access the web-based help provided for the switch, click on **[?]** in the web browser screen.