



# ATEN Command Line Interface User Guide

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ATEN Command Line Interface



## Specifications

- Product: ATEN Control System
- Functionality: Remotely manage ATEN controllers and expansion boxes via SSH/Telnet

## Product Usage Instructions

### Establishing an SSH/Telnet Session

1. Download an SSH/Telnet client like PuTTY on a computer with access to the ATEN controller or Expansion Box.
2. Run the downloaded client.
3. For SSH session:
  - Host Name / IP address: Enter the target controller or expansion box's IP address or host name.
  - Connection Type: SSH
  - Port: 22
4. For telnet session:
  - Host Name / IP address: Enter the target controller or expansion box's IP address or host name.
  - Connection Type: Other > Telnet
  - Port: 23
5. Click Open and follow on-screen instructions to log in.

### SSH/Telnet Commands

#### Help Command

- **Usage:** Display instructions for enabling the CLI mode of the controller.
- **Syntax:** help
- **Acknowledge:** Command OK – Function executed; Command incorrect – Not executed

- **Example:** help : display instruction of CLI mode

## Enabling/Disabling Echo Reply

- **Usage:** Enable or disable automatic response to received messages.
- **Syntax:** echo[control]
- **Parameter:** control: on – enable; off – disable (default is off)
- **Acknowledge:** Command OK – Function executed; Command incorrect – Not executed
- **Example:** who on: set the controller to automatically respond to received messages.

## Configuring Telnet Timeout Interval or Login

- **Usage:** Configure Telnet CLI mode settings.
- **Syntax:** telnet[timeout interval][login control]
- **Parameter:** timeout: Telnet session timeout interval setting; login: Telnet login function setting
- **Acknowledge:** Command OK – Function executed; Command incorrect – Not executed
- **Example:** telnet timeout 0 : configure the timeout interval to never timeout

## Configuring Serial Port Settings

- **Usage:** Control and configure serial port settings.

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

### Q: What should I do if the SSH/Telnet session cannot be established?

A: If the session cannot be established, log in to the device management console to check if the access key needs to be changed.

## About This Guide

This guide provides information on the available SSH and Telnet commands to remotely manage ATEN controllers and expansion boxes.

**IMPORTANT:** Configuration made via command-line interface will be overwritten if a project file is uploaded through ATEN Configurator (GUI) afterwards.

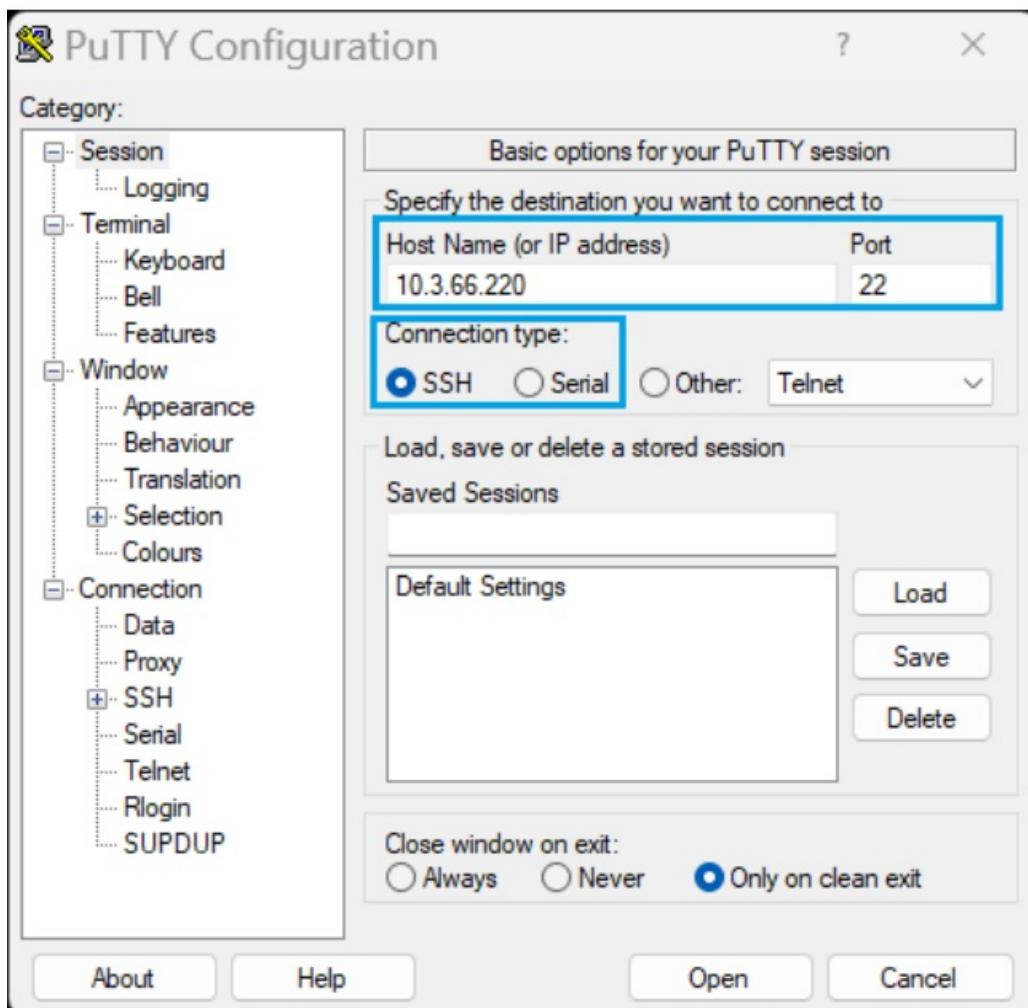
## Establishing an SSH/Telnet Session

1. On a computer that has access to the target ATEN controller or Expansion Box, download an SSH/Telnet client, e.g. PuTTY.  
**Note:** To obtain the installer, search “download putty” in a web browser.
2. Run the downloaded client.
3. To establish an SSH session, use the following settings.

| Field                  | Setting   |
|------------------------|---|
| Host Name / IP address | IP address or host name of the target controller or expansion box |
| Connection Type        | SSH   |
| Port                   | 22  |

For example:

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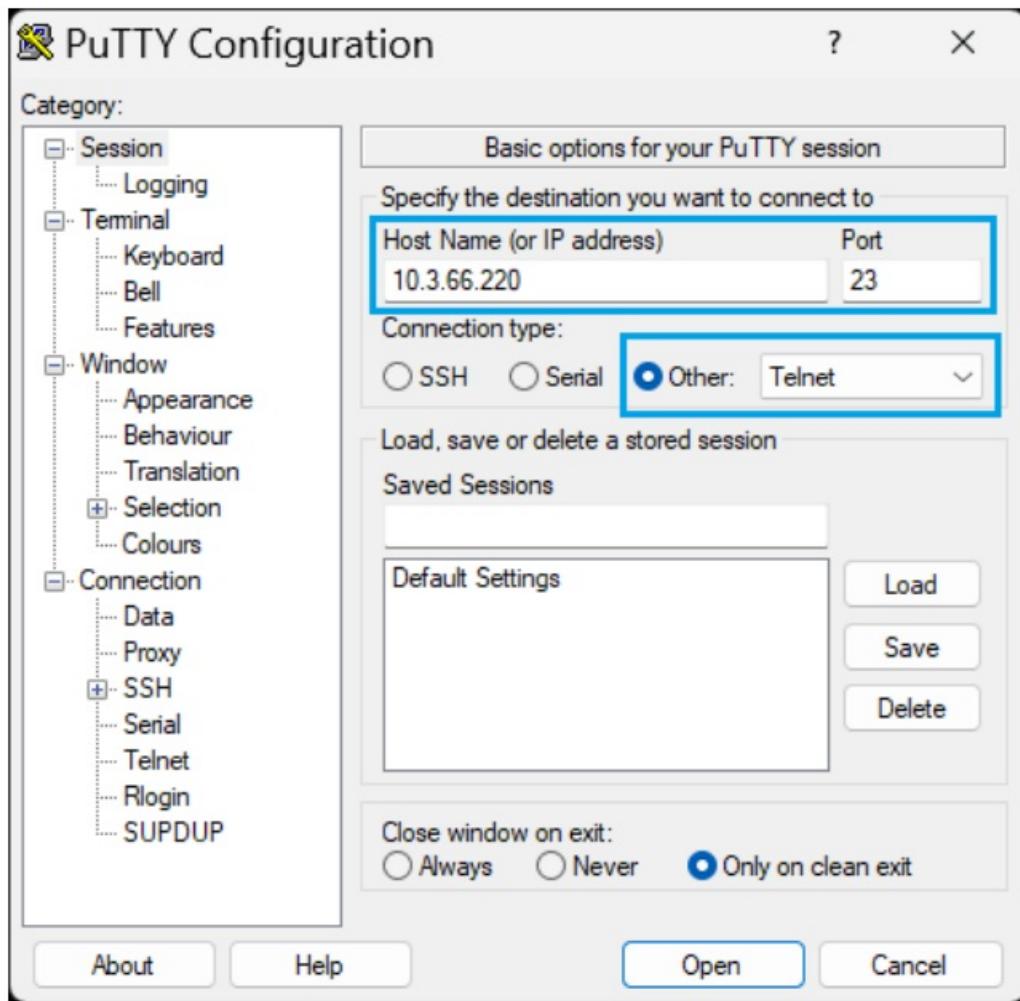


To establish a telnet session, use the following settings.

| Field                  | Setting  |
|------------------------|--|
| Host Name / IP address | <i>IP address or host name of the target controller or expansion box</i> |
| Connection Type        | Other > Telnet   |
| Port                   | 23   |

For example:

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Click Open and follow the on-screen instructions to enter the login credentials. A session is established. For example:

A screenshot of the PuTTY terminal window titled '10.3.66.220 - PuTTY'. The window displays the following text:

```
Login: 123456
Password: *****

Logged in successfully
VK2200 Telnet server 1.2

The controller is now in GUI mode.
> [green cursor]
```

The window has standard window controls (minimize, maximize, close) at the top right.

**Note:** If the session cannot be established, log in the device management console to check if the access key needs to be changed.

## SSH/Telnet Commands

### Help

- **Usage:**

Display the instruction for enabling the CLI mode of the controller.

- **Syntax:**

help✓

- **Acknowledge:**

Command OK✓ : Command is correct and the function is executed.

Command incorrect✓ : Command and/or parameters are incorrect and not executed.

- **Example:**

help✓ : display instruction of CLI mode

## Enabling/Disabling Echo Reply

- **Usage:**

Enable or disable the controller to automatically response to received messages.

- **Syntax:**

echo[control]✓

- **Parameter:**

control : on – enable this function

off – disable this function (default is off)

- **Acknowledge:**

Command OK✓ : Command is correct and the function is executed.

Command incorrect✓ : Command and/or parameters are incorrect and not executed.

- **Example:**

echo on✓ : set the controller to automatically respond to received messages.

## Configuring Telnet Timeout Interval or Login

- **Usage:**

Configure Telnet CLI mode settings.

- **Syntax:**

telnet[timeout interval][login control]✓

- **Keyword**

timeout : Telnet session timeout interval setting

login : Telnet login function setting

- **Parameter:**

interval : session timeout in minute. (0 means never timeout)(default is 5)

control : on – enable login function (default is on)

off – disable login function

- **Acknowledge:**

Command OK✓ : Command is correct and the function is executed.

Command incorrect✓ : Command and/or parameters are incorrect and not executed.

- **Example:**

telnet timeout 0✓ : configure the timeout interval to never timeout

telnet timeout 5✓ : configure the timeout interval to 5 minutes

telnet login off✓ : disable the login function

## Configuring Serial Port Settings

**Usage:**

Control and configure serial port settings.

**Syntax:**

```
serial [p sequence] [type stype] [baud baudrate] [dbit databit] [parity sparsity] [sbit stopbit] [fctrl flowctrl] [dtype datatype] [endchar chars] [checksumtype checksumtype] [acktimeout duration] [control "data"] [help] ↵d
```

**Keyword:**

- p : port
- type: serial type
- baud : baud rate
- dbit : data bit
- parity : serial parity
- sbit : stop bit
- fctrl : flow control
- dtype : data type
- acktimeout : timeout duration (ms) is used for waiting for the feedback from sendack control.
- endchar : specific end character is used to identify a complete message.
- checksumtype : if need fw to auto-calculate command checksum, assign a checksum type
- help: show instructions

**Parameter:**

- sequence : port, separated by comma for multiple ports \* (all ports)
- stype: 232, 422, 485 (default 232)
- baudrate : 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600, 115200(default 9600)
- databit : 7, 8 (default 8)
- sparsity : none, even, odd (default none)
- stopbit : 1, 2 (default 1)
- flowctrl : none, hw (default none)
- datatype : ascii, hex (default ascii)
- checksumtype: none, modbus (default none)
- duration : specific timeout (ms)(default 300)
- chars : end characters following a complete message.
- control : read – display received message of the specific serial port
- write – send data from the serial port. Use “ symbol covers data. Use \x symbol to send Hex code
- sendack – send data from the serial port and display received message

**Acknowledge:**

Command OK✓ : Command is correct and the function is executed.

Command incorrect✗ : Command and/or parameters are incorrect and not executed.

**Example:**

- Serial help ↵ : show instructions

- serial p01 ↵ : display the setting information of serial port1.
- serial p\* ↵ : display the setting information of all serial ports.
- serial p01 type 232 baud 115200 dbit 8 parity none sbit 1 fctrl none ↵ : configure port1.
- serial p01,04,07 baud 19200 ↵ : configure port1, 4, 7 to baud rate 19200.
- serial p02 baud 19200 ↵ : configure port2 to baud 19200 and use default settings for other parameters.
- serial p02 dtype hex read ↵ : display the received message of port2 in HEX format.
- serial p03 write “sw i01 o02\r\n” ↵ : send the ASCII text ‘sw i01 o02’ from port3.
- serial p03 sendack “sw i01 o02\x0D\x0A” ↵ : send the ASCII text ‘sw i01 o02’ from port3 and display the feedback.

## Configuring Relay Port Settings

### Usage:

Control and configure relay ports.

### Syntax:

relay [p sequence] [tpulse duration] [control] [help] ↵

### Keyword:

- p : port
- tpulse : closed period for pulse
- help: show instructions

### Parameter:

- sequence : port, separated by comma for multiple ports
- \* (all ports)
- duration : time period in millisecond.
- control : open – turn off
- close – turn on
- pulse – close the relay channel then open
- toggle – relay toggle
- read – display status

### Acknowledge:

Command OK ↵ : Command is correct and the function is executed.

Command incorrect ↵ : Command and/or parameters are incorrect and not executed.

### Example:

- relay help ↵ : show instructions
- relay p01 close ↵ : close port1 channel.
- relay p01 open ↵ : open port1 channel.
- relay p01,04,07 close ↵ : close port 1, 4, 7 relay channels.
- relay p02 tpulse 500 pulse ↵ : close port2 500ms then open.

- relay p02 read ✓ : display port2 status.

## Configuring I/O Port Settings

### Usage:

Control and configure I/O ports.

### Syntax:

io [p sequence] [type iotype] [lthresh threshold] [hthresh threshold] [tpulse duration] [control] [help]✓

### Keyword:

- p : port
- lthresh : low-bound threshold
- hthresh : high-bound threshold
- tpulse : period which I/O remains in high level in pulse mode
- help: show instructions
- NOTE: If a parameter is not specified, a previously entered value will be applied.
- Parameter:
  - sequence : port, separated by comma for multiple ports
  - \* (all ports)
  - iotype : dry, vdc, dout
  - threshold : trigger threshold in voltage
  - duration : time period in millisecond.
  - control : open
  - close
  - pulse
  - toggle
  - read

### Acknowledge:

Command OK✓ : Command is correct and the function is executed.

Command incorrect✓ : Command and/or parameters are incorrect and not executed.

### Example:

- io help ✓ : show instructions
- io p01✓ : display the setting information of I/O port1.
- io p\*✓ : display the setting information of all I/O ports.
- io p01 type dry ✓ : configure port 1 to dry contact mode.
- io p01 type dout ✓ : configure port 1 to digital output mode.
- io p01 type vdc lthresh 1 hthresh 3 ✓ : configure port 1 to vdc mode with threshold settings.
- io p01 open ✓ : open port1 channel.
- io p01 close ✓ : close port1 channel.
- io p01,04,07 close ✓ : close port1,4,7 channels.
- io p02 tpulse 500 pulse ✓ : close port2 channel 500ms then open.

- io p02 read ↵ : display port2 status.

## Configuring IR Settings

### Usage:

Control and configure IR ports.

### Syntax:

```
ir [p sequence] [type irtype] | [baud baudrate] [dbit databit] [parity sparsity] [sbit stopbit] [dtype datatype]
[checksumtype checksumtype] [control "data"] [help] ↵
```

### Keyword:

- p : port
- type : output type for specific output port
- baud\*\* : baud rate
- dbit\*\* : data bit
- parity\*\* : serial parity
- sbt\*\* : stop bit
- dtype\*\* : data type
- checksumtype\*\* : Controller/extension box automatically calculates the specified checksum type
- help: show instructions

### NOTE:

\* : This keyword is for IR type

\*\* : These keywords are for 232 type

If a parameter is not specified, a previously entered value will be applied.

### Parameter:

- sequence : port, separated by comma for multiple ports \* (all ports)
- irtype: ir, 232(default ir)
- baudrate : 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600, 115200(default 9600)
- databit : 7, 8(default 8)
- sparsity : none, even, odd(default none)
- stopbit : 1, 2(default 1)
- datatype : ascii, hex(default ascii)
- checksumtype: none, modbus(default none)
- control : write – send IR code or RS232 data

### Acknowledge:

Command OK ↵ : Command is correct and the function is executed.

Command incorrect ↵ : Command and/or parameters are incorrect and not executed.

### Example:

- ir help ✓ : show instructions
- ir p01 ✓ : display the setting information of IR port1.
- ir p\* ✓ : display the setting information of all IR ports.
- ir p01,04,07 type 232 ✓ : configure port1,4,7 to RS232 type
- ir p01 type 232 baud 115200 dbit 8 parity none sbit 1 checksum type modbus✓ : configure port1 to RS232 type and the settings
- ir p02 write dtype hex “0a0b0c” ✓ : send hex format data 0a0b0c from port2
- ir p02 baud 19200 ✓ : configure port2 to baud 19200 and use the default settings for other parameters.
- ir p02 write “sw i01 o02\r\n” ✓ : send the ASCII text ‘sw i01 o02’ from port2.
- ir p02 write “sw i01 o02\x0D\x0A”✓ : send the ASCII text ‘sw i01 o02’ from port2.

## Reboot

### Usage:

Reboot the controller.

### Syntax:

reboot✓

### Acknowledge:

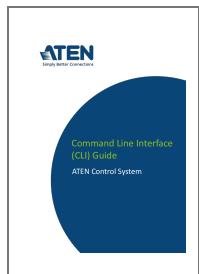
Command OK✓ : Command is correct and the function is executed.

Command incorrect✓ : Command and/or parameters are incorrect and not executed.

### Example:

reboot✓ : reboot device

## Documents / Resources

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