

# Configuring the DNS

Before you can use your server as a mail server, you have to specify how users and other applications will access it. It is done via DNS records. Whether you use Hosterra's name servers or those of another provider, the settings are strictly the same.

If your domain is `example.com` and the IP address of your server `1.2.3.4`, you have to create the following records:

Type: `A`  
Host: `mail`  
Value: `1.2.3.4`

Type: `A`  
Host: `webmail`  
Value: `1.2.3.4`

Type: `MX`  
Host: `@` (depending on your DNS provider, it can be your domain name `example.com.` (with a final dot), a blank string, a `@`, etc.)  
Value: `mail.example.com`  
Priority: `0`

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