

## Deleting a Statement from a JUNOS Configuration

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To delete a statement or identifier from a JUNOS configuration, use the **delete** configuration mode command. Deleting a statement or an identifier effectively "unconfigures" the functionality associated with that statement or identifier, returning that functionality to its default condition.

```
user@host# delete <statement-path> <identifier>
```

When you delete a statement, the statement and all its subordinate statements and identifiers are removed from the configuration.

For statements that can have more than one identifier, when you delete one identifier, only that identifier is deleted. The other identifiers in the statement remain.

To delete the entire hierarchy starting at the current hierarchy level, do not specify a statement or an identifier in the **delete** command. When you omit the statement or identifier, you are prompted to confirm the deletion:

```
[edit]
user@host# delete
Delete everything under this level? [yes, no] (no)
Possible completions:
no   Don't delete everything under this level
yes  Delete everything under this level
Delete everything under this level? [yes, no] (no)
```



**NOTE:** You cannot delete multiple statements or identifiers within a hierarchy using a single **delete** command. You must delete each statement or identifier individually using multiple **delete** commands. For example, consider the following configuration at the [edit system] hierarchy level:

```
system {
  host-name host-211;
  domain-name domain-122;
  backup-router 192.168.71.254;
  arp;
  authentication-order [ radius password tacplus ];
}
```

To delete the **domain-name**, **host-name**, and **backup-router** from the configuration, you cannot issue a single **delete** command:

```
user@host> delete system hostname host-211 domain-name domain-122 backup-router 192.168.71.254
```

You can only delete each statement individually:

```
user@host delete system host-name host-211
user@host delete system domain-name domain-122
user@host delete system backup-router 192.168.71.254
```

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