

Environment Variables for Pi-hole



Variable	Default Value	Description
PIHOLE_DNS_	8.8.8.8;8.8.4.4	Upstream DNS servers, separated by <code>;</code> . Supports custom ports (e.g., <code>127.0.0.1#5053</code>). DNS servers added via the web interface will be overwritten on restart.
DNSSEC	false	Enable DNSSEC support (<code>true</code> or <code>false</code>).
DNS_BOGUS_PRIV	true	Prevents forwarding reverse lookups for private ranges.
DNS_FQDN_REQUIRED	true	Prevents forwarding of non-FQDNs (Fully Qualified Domain Names).
REV_SERVER	false	Enables DNS conditional forwarding for local device name resolution.

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REV_SERVER_DOMAIN	unset	Set the domain of the local network router if conditional forwarding is enabled.
REV_SERVER_TARGET	unset	IP of the local network router when conditional forwarding is enabled.
REV_SERVER_CIDR	unset	Reverse DNS zone (e.g., <code>192.168.0.0/24</code>) for conditional forwarding.
DHCP_ACTIVE	false	Enable DHCP server (<code>true</code> or <code>false</code>).
DHCP_START	unset	Start IP for DHCP server (if DHCP is enabled).
DHCP_END	unset	End IP for DHCP server (if DHCP is enabled).
DHCP_ROUTER	unset	Router (gateway) IP for the DHCP server (if DHCP is enabled).
DHCP_LEASETIME	24	Lease time for DHCP (in hours).
PIHOLE_DOMAIN	lan	Domain name sent by the DHCP server.
DHCP_IPv6	false	Enable DHCP IPv6 support (<code>true</code> or <code>false</code>).
DHCP_rapid_commit	false	Enable DHCPv4 rapid commit.
VIRTUAL_HOST	<code>\${HOSTNAME}</code>	Sets the virtual host for web access (e.g., <code>http://pi.hole/admin</code>).
IPv6	true	Disables IPv6 configuration when set to <code>false</code> (helpful for Unraid).
TEMPERATUREUNIT	c	Sets temperature unit (<code>c</code> : Celsius, <code>k</code> : Kelvin, or <code>f</code> : Fahrenheit).
WEBUIBOXEDLAYOUT	boxed	Use boxed or traditional layout for the web interface.
QUERY_LOGGING	true	Enables or disables query logging.
WEBTHEME	default-light	User interface theme (options: <code>default-dark</code> , <code>default-light</code> , <code>default-auto</code> , etc.).
WEBPASSWORD_FILE	unset	Set admin password via Docker secrets. Ignored if <code>WEBPASSWORD</code> is set.

Advanced Variables

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INTERFACE	unset	NIC interface for DNS or DHCP services.
DNSMASQ_LISTENING	unset	Listening behavior (<code>local</code> , <code>all</code> , <code>single</code>).
WEB_PORT	unset	Custom web interface port (may affect the "blocked" page functionality).
WEB_BIND_ADDR	unset	Bind address for the web interface.
SKIPGRAVITYONBOOT	unset	Skip updating Gravity Database on boot (set to <code>1</code> to skip).
CORS_HOSTS	unset	List of FQDNs allowed for CORS (comma-separated).
CUSTOM_CACHE_SIZE	10000	Sets cache size for <code>dnsmasq</code> . Ignored if DNSSEC is enabled.
FTL_CMD	no-daemon	Customize <code>dnsmasq</code> options (e.g., <code>no-daemon -- --dns-forward-max 300</code>).
FTLCONF_[SETTING]	unset	Customize <code>pihole-FTL.conf</code> settings (e.g., <code>FTLCONF_LOCAL_IPV4</code>).

Experimental Variables

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DNSMASQ_USER	unset	Change the user that <code>FTLDNS</code> runs as (<code>pihole</code> or <code>root</code>).
PIHOLE_UID	999	Override Pi-hole's default user ID.
PIHOLE_GID	999	Override Pi-hole's default group ID.
WEB_UID	33	Override the <code>www-data</code> user ID.
WEB_GID	33	Override the <code>www-data</code> group ID.
WEBLOGS_STDOUT	0	Redirects web logs to stdout when set to <code>1</code> .