

# How to set downtime for large host groups

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## Overview

This is a temporary workaround. Very large host groups may cause errors on REST API update when setting regular or scheduled downtime. Please follow the steps below as recommended edits.

## Steps

1. Edit the following file and save:

```
/usr/local/groundwork/php/etc/php.ini
```

- Under the section **Resource Limits**, change the following to:

```
max_input_vars = 10000
```

and

```
memory_limit = 512M
```

2. Edit the following file and save:

```
/usr/local/groundwork/config/rstools/config.php
```

- Add this to the bottom of the file before the last "}" brace:

```
const DOWNTIME_MAX_ELEMENTS = 6000;  
const DOWNTIME_HOSTGROUP_HOST_BIZ_BULK = 50;  
const DOWNTIME_HOSTGROUP_SERVICE_BIZ_BULK = 4;
```