



This documents describes some basic steps to use Linux Box to connect with devices via terminal and serial connection. My goal was to use RedHat Linux to connect to my packetshaper via console cable.

There are several tools, which can be used. One built-in with Red Hat is MINICOM. This is similar to Windows Hyperterminal, but all are command line oriented.

## **MINICOM:**

Open a terminal and run minicom-s

```
[root@hawkeye root]# minicom -s
minicom: WARNING: configuraton file not found, using defaults

Welcome to minicom 2.00.0

Options: History Buffer, F-key Macros, Search History Buffer, Tl8n
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Press CTRL-A Z for help on special keys
```

This goes directly into the configuration

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Save setup as dfl
Save setup as..
Exit
Exit from Minicom
```

```
A - Serial Device      : /dev/ttyS1
B - Lockfile Location  : /var/lock
C - Callin Program    :
D - Callout Program   :
E - Bps/Par/Bits      : 38400 8N1
F- Hardware Flow Control : Yes
G - Software Flow Control : No

Change which setting?
```

First, set the serial device correctly, for COM 1 set to **/dev/ttyS0**, for COM 2 set to **dev/ttyS1**. I'm using serial connection on Port COM 1.



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Change which setting? A
```

When pressing A, the cursor jumps to Serial Device and you can change the settings. Next, you have to change Speed, Parity and Bits by pressing E

```
A - Serial Device      : /dev/ttyS0
B - Lockfile Location  : /var/lock
C - Callin Program     :
D - Callout Program   :
E - Bps/Par/Bits      : 38400 8N1
F- Hardware Flow Control : Yes
G - Software Flow Control : No

Change which setting? E
```

```
Current: 38400 8N1

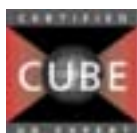
      Speed      Parity      Data
A: 300          L: None      S: 5
B: 1200         M: Even     T: 6
C: 2400         N: Odd      U: 7
D: 4800         O: Mark    V: 8
E: 9600         P: Space
F: 19200
G: 38400
H: 57600
I: 115200      Q: 8-N-1
J: 230400      R: 7-E-1

                        Stopbits
                        W: 1
                        X: 2

Choice, or <Enter> to exit?
```

Most switches, routers supporting 9600, 8-N-1, so Press E and Q. Next, you should save setup as dfl-

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```
PacketShaper# AT S7=45 S0=0 L1 V1 X4 &c1 E1 Q0
```

```
PacketShaper#
```

