

Connecting to the Appliance

Before starting the appliance, make sure you have a physical connection to the appliance using a monitor and keyboard or a serial cable connection from an external computer using a terminal program.

By default, the monitor and keyboard connection is enabled and the serial console is inactive. If you want to use a serial connection, follow the instructions below. To use a monitor and keyboard, just boot up the appliance.

▼ To connect using a serial cable

1. Connect the serial cable supplied with the appliance to the serial port on the appliance and to a computer.
2. On the computer, open a terminal with settings 9600bps, 8 databits, 1 stopbit, no parity.
3. Power on the appliance.
4. Press a key on your keyboard when you see “Press any key”. The message is shown four times. If you do not press a key within this time, the serial console remains inactive and you must reboot the appliance to try again.
5. A boot menu is shown. Select the **Switch to serial console** option. The firewall boots up with the serial console activated.
 - The keyboard and display console is now inactive and must be activated in a similar way before you can use it.
 - To define two active consoles, use the command **sg-bootconfig**. For usage, see “Command Line Tools” in the *Reference Guide*, *Administrator’s Guide* or online help of the Management Client.