

Tomcat environment variables (2.7)

By convention, the base Tomcat directory (e.g. `/usr/local/apache-tomcat-5.5.31`) is referred to as `$CATALINA_HOME`. As a convenience, you should create a `$CATALINA_HOME` environment variable. For UNIX operating systems one typically modifies a startup file like `~/.bash_login` to set and export shell variables while Mac users typically set and export environment variables in `.bash_profile`. For Windows, go to Start -> Control Panel -> System -> Advanced -> Environment Variables and set your Tomcat environment variables via the GUI.

Set the `CATALINA_HOME` environment variable to point to the base directory of your Tomcat installation and add the Tomcat `/bin` directory to your `PATH` variable:

Variable	Unix/Mac	Windows
<code>CATALINA_HOME</code>	<code>export CATALINA_HOME=/opt/tomcat</code>	<code>CATALINA_HOME=C:\tomcat</code>
<code>PATH</code>	<code>export PATH=\$PATH:\$CATALINA_HOME/bin</code>	<code>;C:\tomcat\bin</code>

⚠ Windows: append string to the end of the `Path` system variable.