# Redmine - Defect #37753

# Cannot send mail through smtp due to TLS errors

2022-10-05 15:28 - Gasper C

Status: Closed

Priority: Normal

Assignee: Marius BĂLTEANU % Done:

Category: Email notifications Estimated time: 0.00 hour

Target version:

Resolution: Fixed Affected version: 5.0.2

### Description

Hello.

I've updated redmine to 5.0.2 from v3.2.0.

I've kept SMTP settings the same and noticed that I cannot send mails anymore.

The error that keeps appearing is:

Oct 05 13:23:36 acred2p redmine<sup>214934</sup>: E, [2022-10-05T13:23:36.935478 #215008] ERROR -- : [ActiveJob]

 $[Action Mailer:: Mail Delivery Job] \ [4f9f26ee-e713-460d-97d9-49f5f69d3cba] \ Email\ delivery\ error: \ SSL\_connect\ returned=1\ errno=0.$ 

Start date:

Due date:

0%

peeraddr=10.x.y.z:25 state=error: unexpected eof while reading

From the logs on the SMTP server it seems that the problem is TLS - mail server admin advised to turn it off.

I've tried the following settings in various configurations and nothing seemed to work:

production: email\_delivery:

delivery\_method: :smtp

smtp\_settings: address: 10.x.y.z

port: 25

domain: xxxxxxx

enable\_starttls\_auto: false openssl\_verify\_mode: 'none'

tls: false ssl: false

The bottom 3 lines were added - otherwise the config worked in redmine v3.

SMTP server is working as expected - I can send a mail manually from the redmine server through the terminal.

Any help is appreciated, thanks.

## Related issues:

Has duplicate Redmine - Defect #37251: openssl\_verify\_mode not honored/not wo... Closed

## History

### #1 - 2022-10-05 17:48 - Pavel Rosický

it's a bug, but since the mail gem maintainer is inactive for a long time, I don't expect any fixes soon.

you have 2 options:

1/ use SSL

2/ apply an unofficial patch, see <a href="https://github.com/mikel/mail/pull/1435">https://github.com/mikel/mail/pull/1435</a>

### #2 - 2022-10-06 11:31 - Dmitry Makurin

Try this:

production:
 email\_delivery:
 delivery\_method: :smtp

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```
smtp_settings:
   address: xxxxxxx
port: 25
   disable_start_tls: true
   openssl_verify_mode: "none"
```

After upgrade to redmine 5.0 i have encountered the same issue. Config above managed to fix it without modifying mail gem.

#### #3 - 2022-10-06 11:48 - Gasper C

Thanks pavel ochman & Dmitry K - I think I'll have to try to modify the gem. I tried pasting Dmitry's config but the result is the same - there must be a difference in our SMTP servers.

### #4 - 2022-10-07 11:29 - Gasper C

I've forked a branch from mail 2.8.0-stable and added jeremy's patch in there, with one fix.

In case it ever helps anyone, just clone this and build the gem. https://github.com/GChuf/mail/tree/2-8-stable

git clone https://github.com/GChuf/mail/ git checkout 2-8-stable cd mail gem build mail.gemspec gem install mail -v2.8.0.patch

After that, change the mail version in redmine's Gemfile.

## #5 - 2022-10-07 12:04 - Pavel Rosický

FYI there's a breaking change in 2.8 https://github.com/redmine/redmine/blob/master/app/models/mail\_handler.rb#L528

Mail::RubyVer.pick\_encoding(p.charset).to\_s

has to be changed to

Mail::Utilities.pick\_encoding(p.charset).to\_s

but it may not affect you unless you're a helpdesk user

### #6 - 2022-10-07 12:07 - Gasper C

Thanks Pavel,

helpdesk as in redmine helpdesk plugin?

In any case - it makes sense to patch the 2.7. branch and use that, then.

### #7 - 2022-10-07 13:40 - Pavel Rosický

I meant this <a href="https://www.redmine.org/projects/redmine/wiki/redminereceivingemails">https://www.redmine.org/projects/redmine/wiki/redminereceivingemails</a>

### #8 - 2022-10-07 14:21 - Gasper C

Thanks for all the help.

I created a patched branch of 2-7-stable as well (2.7.2).

https://github.com/GChuf/mail/tree/2-7-stable

## #9 - 2023-02-25 15:23 - Jochen W.

Pavel Rosický wrote:

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Hi.

I just stumbled over the same problem after upgrading to redmine-5.0.4, and after some hours, I just wanted to share my (pretty simple) solution:

Follow Pavels suggestion #1 and just switch SSL ON (if you are able to relay to one of your servers via port 25, you as well are able to relay via port 465 (smtps).

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So I did the opposite I initially planned and switched all ON

```
email_delivery:
    delivery_method: :smtp
    smtp_settings:
    address: "<server-ip-address&gt;"
    port: 465
    ssl: true <-no idea wether this does anything
    tls: true <-no idea wether this does anything
    disable_start_tls: false <-no idea wether this does anything
    enable_starttls_auto: true
    openssl_verify_mode: "none"</pre>
```

Works like a charm

#### #10 - 2023-02-25 16:16 - Pavel Rosický

Hi Donald.

the issue was, you can't disable starttls even with an explicit enable\_starttls\_auto: false due to incompatibility between the mail gem and the new net/smtp that enables starttls by default.

as a workaround, you can use SSL as you did, but the original author was trying to avoid it for some reason...

note that, this issue is fixed by #37993 (redmine 5.1+ only)

#### #11 - 2023-02-27 14:14 - Jochen W.

Hi Pavel.

first, thanks for your answwer and for the fix in 5.1!

I totally understood the issue, I just tried to point out the simpest way to get along with the problem if you install redmine 5.0.4 on your servers.

If you just enable ssl in the settings (and your server accepts 465 (all smtp-servers do)), you dont have anything more to do in 5.0.4. No patches to be installed, no rb files to be changed, no certifidates to be installed - it just worked out of the box with just ssl on on my side.

Thats why I posted this workaround for desperate and (considering ruby and rails) totally clueless system admins:)

#### #12 - 2024-01-22 15:05 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- Status changed from New to Closed
- Assignee set to Marius BĂLTEANU
- Resolution set to Fixed

I think it's safe to close this one considering that was fixed in Redmine 5.1+.

### #13 - 2024-01-22 15:08 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- Has duplicate Defect #37251: openssl\_verify\_mode not honored/not working anymore added

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